

Healthy Franklin County Nutrition Task Force  
Food Insecurity Work Group Minutes  
December 12, 2018

**Present:** Barb Houpt (EXIT Realty), Abby McElhiney (SCCAP), Sheryl Snider (F&M Trust), Noel Purdy (Healthy Franklin County), Nickie Fickel (Summit Health), Liz Hills (SCCAP), Lenelle Baer (Penn State Cooperative Extension West Capital Region Nutrition Links Coordinator), Troy Okum (HoundPacks/Vista).

**Absent:** Samantha Robinson (Penn State Cooperative Extension Client Relationship Manager Area 8), Danelle Wagner (Shippensburg Resource Coalition), Crystal Griffin, Denise Esser (Waynesboro Area Human Services), Christy Unger (Healthy Communities Partnership), Josh Mosely (Network Ministries), Dr. Elizabeth George (MacWell/HEA)

The group reviewed the minutes from October 2018. Liz clarified that 300 pounds of produce was distributed at FCHA per month during the food distro pilot project.

### **Food Insecurity work plan/projects**

Nutrition Block Party: Nickie and Liz reported that the NBP at the Towers went really well. 15 people participated and 11 returned completed evaluations. The event sparked conversations with the residents about delivering a modified Get Fit Now program on site and building community gardens on site. The community garden committee would help with the project (Nickie will keep us posted as the conversations evolve). The committee discussed the idea of conducting another NBP in the off season (Gleaning season) with canned produce-using the same model i.e. with a dietician and food preparation demonstration. A planning group will meet to discuss.

### Food Distro FCHA – Chambersburg

Abby shared the evaluations with the NTF last month and noted that the results likely were not valid due to the way that the surveys were distributed (i.e. staff were not on site to monitor). Abby and Liz reported that they distributed produce at FCHA last month and it went well; they attempted to collect survey data again but noted that it did not go well to have them be on site to collect the surveys either. We will coordinate a debrief meeting with FCHA and SCCAP to discuss the pilot and determine if it's feasible for the project to continue in the future.

### Food Insecurity Mapping

Noel shared the latest version of the map, which includes the story template. Noel shared data from Tara Davis at Central Pa Food Bank which showed Franklin County partners; Noel will reconcile it with the map data. Sheryl Snider shared the updated data for the free and reduced lunch program; Noel will share with the GIS coordinator. Sheryl also shared a new tool / recommendation about how to categorize the grocery stores/markets – by using NAICS definitions and categories. The group thought this was a good standard and will share it with the GIS coordinator.

### WIC Voucher/Senior Voucher Program Promotion

Noel reached out to James Bailes at SCCAP; he was unable to attend the meeting today. She will follow up with him.

### Back Pack Networking Event

Noel reached out to Christy Unger and will follow up with her.

**Next Meeting Wednesday, February 13 at 2:30pm, 2018.**