



LOCAL FOOD ACTION PLAN

CITY OF COLUMBUS & FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

December 11, 2015, 2015 • Columbus Public Health Auditorium • 9:00am-11:30am

Purpose of the Local Food Action Plan Working Committee:

- To engage in a broad, community-focused process to guide the development of the Local Food Action Plan
- To share expertise representing varied facets of the local food system to inform:
 - Creation of a vision for the Local Food Action Plan
 - Identification of policy and programmatic targets for the Local Food Action Plan
 - Development of action steps to achieve our vision
 - Preparation of the Local Food Action Plan and supporting documents

Purpose of today's Local Food Action Plan Working Committee

- To provide feedback and directionality on the potential actions compiled by the Project Team.
- To set-up the research and future work of each action by the Project Team
- To continue to build our relationships to support the successful development of the City of Columbus-Franklin County Local Food Action Plan

Attendance:

Local Food Action Plan Sponsors

County Commissioner John O'Grady

Local Food Action Plan Project Team

Michelle Moskowitz Brown, Local Matters

Matt Brown, Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department

Noreen Warnock, Local Matters

Autumn Trombetta, Columbus Public Health

Cheryl Graffagnino, Columbus Public Health

Barb Seckler, Columbus Public Health

Nicole Harper, Columbus City Council

Jonathan Lee, Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department

Meeting Facilitator:

Tuesday Ryan Hart – Confluence Unlimited

Working Committee Members:

Amy Fovargue – OSU Extension, representing Mike Hogan
Peggy Murphy - Greater Columbus Growing Coalition
Amy Bodiker-Baskes - Franklin County Local Food Council
Emily Savors – The Columbus Foundation
Dwight Beougher –Farm Bureau
Harmony Cox - United Way of Central Ohio, representing David Ciccone
Fiona Doherty – Franklin Park Conservatory
Sarah Lenkay - Mid-Ohio Foodbank, representing Matt Habash
Ruben Castilla Herrera - Ohio Fair Food
Ernest Perry – Hands-On Central Ohio
Brian Williams - Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission
Mark Barbash - Finance Fund
Bob Leighty - Parsons Avenue Merchants Association
Kate Djupe – The Commissary
Randy Sokol – Ohio Restaurant Association
Charissa Coleman-Muhammad – Linden Gardens
Joe Brown – Columbus City Schools
Brad Draper – Lutheran Social Services
Kyle O’Keefe – Solid Waste Authority of Central Ohio
Michael Jones – Good Food Enterprises

Invited Guests:

Jenny Snapp – Franklin County Economic Development and Planning Department
Noemi – OSU Dietetic Intern
Rebecca Crea – Public Health Associate, Columbus Public Health
Brian Estabrook – Local Matters
Volunteer – Local Matters
Eric Gayetsky - Franklin County Planning Assistant

Meeting Agenda

Time	Activity
9:00am	Welcome, Framing, Flow <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome• Agenda for Meeting• Overview of the Feedback and Advisory Process thus far
9:15am	Check-in Tuesday Ryan Hart - Confluence Unlimited
9:30am	Local Food Action Plan Project Team Update Michelle Moskowitz Brown - Local Matters <ul style="list-style-type: none">• CCVR Summary, Vision, Public Comments• WC follow-up calls• Gathering Action Items for WC consideration
9:45am	Group Activity - Potential Actions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6 tables, 3 rounds• Rounds 1 and 2 - table assignments by random selection• Round 3 - Working Committee members will choose a table they did not visit during the previous rounds.
11:15am	Reflecting Together
11:25am	Next Steps and Check Out
11:30am	Closing

Presentation: Activity Since Last Meeting – Michelle Moskowitz Brown and Project Team

Since our Sept. 30 Meeting...

Revised Vision statement, created CCVR Summary

- Vision 1st Draft: The Columbus-Franklin County Local Food Action Plan envisions a food system that benefits our community, our economy and our environment in ways that are equitable and sustainable.
- Vision Final Draft: The Columbus-Franklin County Local Food Action Plan envisions a fair and sustainable food system that benefits our economy, our environment, and all people.

Collected feedback on Current Conditions report:

Collected feedback in 2 ways:

1. Working Committee (WC) follow-up calls
2. Online survey opportunity for public comments on the Current Conditions Report.

Public and WC comments were similar:

- Focus on inequities in the food system and involve community members during and after the planning process
- Recognize the role of emergency food in the local food system
- Address the need for both affordable, convenient access to food for all and prosperity for farm workers and producers within and beyond City of Columbus and Franklin County
- Support the development of urban agriculture and foster connections with rural growers

WC Meeting Design Feedback

- More time and opportunity for discussion
- Encourage WC interactions by increasing options for members to choose the topic areas and discussions they engage in during meetings
- Feedback used to guide today's meeting design

Created Potential Actions Lists

- Identified national, state, regional and local best practices and potential actions. More than 800 potential actions identified
 - Telephone interviews with other cities
 - Condensed to 146, sorted by focus area

Group Activity - Potential Actions

Group Activity Process

- 6 tables, 3 rounds
 - Rounds 1 and 2** - table assignments by random selection to ensure that ALL of the potential actions were vetted by a varied cross-section of sector representatives
 - Round 3** - WC members selected a table they did not visit during the previous rounds to ensure them the opportunity to speak to the issues important to their work.
- WC members were presented with potential actions that were compiled from a variety of sources including other plans and neighborhood conversations. (Potential actions were provided electronically 2 weeks prior to the meeting; print copies were distributed at the meeting)
- WC members placed 5 green dots on potential actions that seem important or should be further evaluated for possible inclusion in the LFAP and 2 red dots to identify potential actions that may not be appropriate or applicable for our community
 - WC members were instructed to focus on directionality and not details such as wording, who, how and when.

Group Activity – Facilitated Conversation

Facilitated discussion based on where dots were placed

Potential actions with at least 3 green dots

- Why are these potential actions important?
- How do these potential actions address Current Conditions?
- Do you foresee any barriers or issues to implementing these potential actions?

Potential actions with at least 1-2 red dots

- Why are these potential actions not appropriate or applicable in our community?

Are there any potential actions that have been missed?

Reflecting Together

- Project Team member totaled and shared the “tallies” of dots from all three rounds to show the direction of the conversations and described the directionality of the table conversations.
- WC members were encouraged again to record any additional actions that should be considered for consideration as the LFAP moves forward.

Next Steps

- WC feedback on the additional potential actions submitted at the meeting will be harvested via Survey Monkey.
- LFAP Project Team members will conduct follow-up calls to WC members.
 - WC members who participated in group discussion and WC members who did not attend the meeting, but sent a representative will have the opportunity to share how they would have placed their green and red dots on the 3 focus areas/subcategories they did not participate in during the meeting.
 - WC members who did not attend the meeting and were not represented in the group discussions will have the opportunity to share how they would have placed their green and red dots on all 6 focus areas/subcategories.
- Results of the Potential Actions Group Activity and follow-up calls will be compiled and analyzed to inform next steps in the planning process.
 - The LFAP Project Team will compile the list of potential actions that received at least 3 green dots and those that received at least 2 green and 2 red dots.
 - LFAP Project Team will compile and evaluate the existing data and models for each potential action identified through this process.

Working Committee Meeting 3 will be scheduled in March, 2016