

FOOD SECURITY

**INVESTMENTS IN NUTRITION
IMPROVES HEALTH AND ACHIEVES
COMMUNITY POLICY PRIORITIES**

BUDGET PRIORITY HEARING

MAY 3, 2018

WHAT SHOULD THE POLICY BE?

In 2013, San Francisco Board of Supervisors unanimously passed resolution to committing to a Food Secure and Hunger Free San Francisco by 2020 (res. 447-13).

Definition - Food security means that all people at all times are able to obtain and consume enough nutritious food to support an active, health life.

Who does it intend to serve: San Franciscans who are food insecure (highest risk < 200% FPL = \$24,280 for single person; \$41,560 family of 3; 226,500 residents, 27% of population) **Note—recipients of SSI/SSP, immigrants not eligible for CalFresh and IHSS does not include food

What tools does it use: 1. Maximize use of federal nutrition programs; 2. Support community partners' ability to provide community based nutrition programs; 3. Create a local healthy food purchasing supplement accepted by San Francisco food businesses; 4. Work to increase residents' ability to access and prepare food (especially residents of SROs)

What public benefits does it provide? Increases food security and healthy eating for low income San Franciscans at home, in school, and in the community; Improves health; Supports seniors and people with disabilities to live at home; Supports local food businesses and jobs.

WHAT ARE THE CURRENT CONSIDERATIONS?

- Policy Pillars**
- * **MAXIMIZE USE OF FEDERAL NUTRITION PROGRAMS**
 - * **SUPPORT COMMUNITY BASED NUTRITION PROGRAMS**
 - * **CREATE A LOCAL HEALTHY FOOD PURCHASING SUPPLEMENT**
 - * **WORK TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO FOOD AND ABILITY TO COOK**

Nutrition programs FY 17-18 - Seniors and People with Disabilities

- Home delivered meals (\$10.1M)
- Congregate meals (\$7.38M)
- Home delivered groceries (\$2.46M)
- Focus on low income residents; Services targeted to type of need; Nutrition is critical for health and may lower health care costs
- CBOs involved: 36 across the City

Healthy Eating Vouchers FY 17-18

- \$400,000/annually
- Focus on pregnant women who are food insecure; people on SSI/SSP who are ineligible for CalFresh
 - CBOs involved: EatSF, 50 housing, health & community partners; 19+ corner & grocery stores, farmers markets

SRO Food Security Initiative FY 17-18

- \$ private funding for small pilot; currently seeking additional funds
- Major initiatives – redefining SRO food security system to be coordinated, tenant centered and trauma informed, improve diet of residents, and increase their ability to cook
 - CBOs involved: SRO Food Security and Health Collaborative = 15 community based organizations

INTENDED OUTCOMES OF CURRENT FUNDING REQUEST

DEFINING SUCCESS: ADDRESS UNMET NEED AND MALNUTRITION

- **Nutrition programs-Seniors and People with Disabilities**
 - # Meals delivered to homes, # congregate meals served in community settings, # clients receiving home delivered groceries.
 - Satisfaction survey, loneliness and depression screenings, food security screenings
 - Serves low income residents, all neighborhoods
- **Healthy Eating Vouchers**
 - # of vouchers distributed; # redeemed; food security status pre and post
 - Client satisfaction, fruit/vegetable consumption
 - Serves low income and food insecure residents; people on SSI/SSP, families, pregnant women
- **SRO Food Security Initiative**
 - Two pilot sites will be used to test strategic, targeted, coordinated multi-intervention activities to provide missing meals.
 - Outcomes evaluation will measure impact on food security, dietary intake, cooking ability

FISCAL TARGETS

- **See Food Security Task Force budget document that provides fiscal targets per program.**
- **Costs include food, labor, and delivery**
- **SRO food security initiative includes evaluation and improvements for cooking**

STRETCH GOALS

Policy framework and system priorities to address unmet need:

- *Attain Sustainable Funding and Infrastructure Investments to Eliminate Waitlists and Other Barriers to Services.*
- *Develop a Client-Centered Approach to Nutrition Services.*
- *Endorse Food Security Values and Accountability to Secure the Food Safety Net System.*

What are you trying to change over the next few years?

- *The San Francisco Food Security Task Force will be releasing 2018 Food Security Report – including citywide and district demographics, food program usage, program analysis and policy recommendations.*
- *New partners will include the health sector (hospitals, clinics) as well as other private and public sector partners.*
- *The San Francisco Food Security Task Force has launched a strategic planning process to collaboratively and effectively implement 2018 recommendations to end hunger in San Francisco.*
- *As a City, we are committed to addressing hunger and food security through budget investments, innovative program changes and public policy.*

