

# Sacramento Hunger Coalition Quarterly Meeting

January 29, 2008  
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Sacramento Employment and Training Agency  
Shasta Conference Room  
925 Del Paso Blvd, Sacramento

## Notes

- Introduction:
  - 14 Coalition members and 1 non-member were present. (C. Clark, E. Brown, B. Ramey-Clark, D. Forkey, N. Nelson, B. Maynard, K. Annonio, J. Ynugez, E. Thomas, O. Sahak, D. Dunlap, Rabbi D. Wechsler-Azen, M. Ortiz-Gray, N. Kapadia, and R. Garcia)
  - The meeting was facilitated by new Hunger Coalition chair Dawn Dunlap. Individuals gave a brief introduction of themselves and the organizations they represent.
  
- Updates from October 2007 Meeting:
  - New Hunger Coalition logo concept approved
    - Comments – more abundance in bowl (grapes?, leafy greens? 5 crops?); fruit in basket should be representative of the Sacramento Valley; make text more proportional to image; clean up and provide black/white & color versions
  - Staff time allocations to Coalition – Melissa-50%, Rose-5%, Nisha-5%
  - Coalition has funding allocated for graphic designer for marketing materials (including logo cleanup)
  - Coalition infrastructure – Members discussed the need for sub-committee infrastructure because infrastructure would enable the coalition to have some guidance through a formal approach. Juan, Dawn, Melissa will find example of bylaws and make revisions/updates; bring to full Coalition for approval.
  - Sub-committees – Changing Public Policy & Increasing Healthy Food Access met in December and established goals to work on in 2008 including update and re-ratification of Sacramento Food Charter and convening meeting for emergency food providers to network, share best practices, and address common hardships.
  
- Food Security Initiative Review
  - Juan gave a brief overview of the initiative before individuals broke out into sub-committees.
  
- Sub-committee Workgroups & Report Backs:

- Changing Public Policy: The Hunger Coalition sub-committees will work on getting the Sacramento Food Charter initiative addressed and ratified.
  - Sub-committee actions:
    1. Find history of Food Charter (staff, by 2/1/08)); send edits to Dawn
    2. Attend City Council meeting (see upcoming events); address omission of Food Charter in Sustainability Master Plan
    3. Final edits to Food Charter to include Bd. Of Sups. & City Council in “partnership” (sub-comm. members, by 2/29/08)
    4. Draft cover letter to Bd. Of Sups. & City Council (Dawn, by 3/15/08)
    5. Address actions steps to ensure accountability – Coalition will serve as “watchdog”
- Increasing Healthy Food Access
  - The Increasing Healthy Food Access Subcommittee agreed to convene emergency food providers for a meeting in February or early March to explore creating a permanent network. One issue that the network might explore is the impact and possible solutions to the Senior Gleaners disassociation from Second Harvest. Another issue is that of creating a sales force of people to sell fresh produce.
  - The Subcommittee is also interested in exploring; 1) how the selling of EBT pin numbers and the selling of food stamps can be stopped; 2) how to make the process easier to apply for food stamps; and 3) encouraging farmer’s markets to accept food stamps.
- Other Items:
  - Coalition meetings will be held bi-monthly on the last Tuesday of the month from 1:30p-3p.
  - Next meeting: Tuesday, March 25, 2008, 1:30p-3p.
- Member Events/Announcements:
  - Maria Shriver’s “We Connect You” Event  
Monday, February 11, 2008; 3pm-7pm  
Charles A. Jones Skill Center, 5451 Lemon Hill Avenue, Sacramento  
<http://www.firstlady.ca.gov/projects/health/>
  - Healthy Futures  
Tuesday, February 12, 2008; 5:30-7:30pm  
Department of Human Assistance, 2700 Fulton Avenue  
And -Wednesday, February 13, 2008; 5:30-7:30pm  
Susie Gaines Mitchell- 2450 Florin Road  
[www.communitycouncil.org](http://www.communitycouncil.org)
  - City County Council Meeting – Sustainability Plan Informational Presentation

Tuesday, February 12, 2008; 6pm  
City Council Chambers, 915 I Street, Sacramento

<http://www.cityofsacramento.org/generalservices/sustain/greengoals.html>

- Food Stamps Forum  
Wednesday February 13, 2008; 9am-1pm  
Crest Theatre, 1013 K Street, Sacramento  
Cost: Free! - <http://cfpa.net/>
- Healthy Eating Active Living Collaborative Training: Youth Engagement  
Tuesday, February 26, 2008; 9am-4pm  
Sierra Health Foundation, 1321 Garden Highway, Sacramento  
Cost: \$15 - <http://healthedcouncil.org/>
- River City Community Services Empty Bowls 2008  
Tuesday, March 11, 2008; 11am-2pm  
Masonic Temple, 1123 J Street, Sacramento  
Cost: \$25 - <http://www.rivercitycommunityservices.org/>
- Have you witnessed Food Stamp fraud? You can report it by calling Sacramento County Department of Human Assistance (DHA) at 916.875.8908.
- For information on Estimated Food Stamp Eligibility in Sacramento County, please check out a report by Sacramento State University.  
<http://dhaweb.saccounty.net/Financial/documents/food%20stamp%20csus%20report.pdf>