



New Haven Food Policy Council Working Groups

The Working Groups were created during the Food Summit in October 2012 and are a vehicle for engaging community and city leaders to set priorities and drive implementation of the goals and strategies set forth in the Food Action Plan. All Working Groups and Committees are open to the public.

Each Working Group is led by a designated Chair or co-Chairs. The Chair is responsible to set meeting agendas, chair meetings, hold the “big picture” of the group’s work and direct its ongoing activities. The Chair/co-Chairs have support from the NHFPC administrative staff and from the Chair of the NHFPC as required.

Current Working Groups & Committees:

Food Assistance – first Tuesday of the month, 12:00noon-1:30pm, location varies

SNAP and WIC outreach | food pantries and soup kitchens | food access for seniors | food reclamation

Co-Chairs: Alex Dyer, therevalexdyer@gmail.com, (203)530-2561

Kim Hart, kimberlyclark1@yahoo.com, (203)540-1628

City Farm & Garden – first Friday of the month, 8:30-10:00am, City Hall, Meeting Room 3

Community and backyard gardens | school gardens

Chair: Melissa Spear, mspear@commongroundct.org, (203)389-4333 ext. 1216

Cooking & Food Education – fourth Thursday of the month, 5:30-6:30pm, City Hall, Meeting Room varies

Community-based cooking classes | links with city and community organizations

Chair: Nadine Nelson, nadine.nelson@gmail.com, (917)242-7406

Policy Advancement Committee – first Wednesday of the month, 8:45-9:45am, City Hall, Meeting Room 1

Policy issues relating to New Haven's food system

Chair: Alycia Santilli, alycia.santilli@yale.edu, (860)559-1004

Inactive Working Groups requiring leadership and direction:

School Food

Issues related to improving school food quality and delivery | youth engagement

Economic Development / Food Business

Food business development supports | local food procurement and processing | urban farming businesses | composting

It is also possible to establish additional groups on other topics or create sub-committees on specific issues within a group.

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