

# Food Recovery and Resilience Work Group

## **Background**

What can we do now, as part of recovery, to create a stronger, more resilient food system in the long term?

- Focus on mid- to long-term solutions
- Focus on food enterprise economic recovery
- Match food entrepreneurs with institutions that have facilities
- Identify strategic infrastructural investments
- Explore external funding opportunities
- Other goals?

## **Roster**

Name
Lindsey Day Farnsworth
Chris Brockel
Aaron Kelly
Hedi Rudd
Jumoke Falomo
Sarah Larson
Henry Aschauer

## **Work Group – Identified Skills**

- Research
- Evaluation
- Knowledge of planning and food infrastructure
- Strong local personal/professional network in the food systems space
- Access to UW-Madison/Extension resources
- Training in food systems risk mitigation
- Facilitation
- Strategic planning
- Systems thinking
- Project management
- Public speaking
- Broad experience across various food systems sectors:
- Emergency food
- Food pantry coordination and food pantry gardens
- Warehousing
- Logistics
- Food recovery
- CSA/farming
- Food entrepreneurship
- Farmer's market EBT
- Observed and helped foster food systems capacity-building, education, ownership, involvement, entrepreneurship in Communities of Color
- Restaurant owner
- Experience working with large purchasers and distributors
- Business community connections
- Grants and grant writing/reviewing

- Food & farm industry/sector knowledge
- Financial packaging/projections/funding
- Policy and process design work
- Focus groups and qualitative research experience/survey design
- Supply chain/operations/food business processes
- Interviews/storytelling

### **Next Steps**

- Approve the Work Group roster of MFPC members
- Solicit external experts for Work Group participation
- Identify Work Group Chair/Co-Chair(s)
- Schedule a standing, monthly time for Work Group to meet
- Begin creating work group charter and project lists