

# Food Relief Work Group

## **Background**

Increasing numbers of households are food insecure. How do we meet the immediate needs and find creative ways to repurpose parts of the food system to meet these needs in the mid- and long-term?

- Map the emergency food system and any gaps
- Identify ways to increase access (pick-up, delivery, transportation, etc)
- Identify ways to divert recoverable food
- Explore ways to employ food-based businesses to meet emergency food needs
- Explore external funding opportunities
- Other goals?

## **Roster**

Name
Claire Mance
Devika Suri
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## **Work Group – Identified Skills**

- Research skills
- Interviewing and qualitative data collection
- Gathering best practices/models from other cities and counties
- Data analysis
- Leading and organizing group brainstorming efforts e.g. white-boarding ideas, etc
- Experience on large-scale food distribution and food access efforts
- Strategic thinking/planning experience
- Registered dietician with training in food security issues
- MS degree in sustainable agriculture and food systems

## **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