



The Work

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The Just & Healthy Food System Community of Interest

A collective of individuals, organizations and other institutions currently working on food justice, or work related to food justice, to get out of our silos and move forward together – which we do from a base prioritizing racial equity and anti-racist actions.

Create Space

Host or support less formal spaces that don't require rules, "professional" dress codes, or conventional meeting formalities

Support

Recognize that you are support. Community is taking the lead.

- Provide funds, materials, food etc.
- And/or Pay them

Bring Real Food

Food of substance. Preferably with a personal connection to you or the people meeting.

Listen

Listen. Don't interject unless asked. Listen for the things that you can support.

Act

Follow through and tell people what that will look like. Support them to do and own the work. Don't take it, and make it yours.

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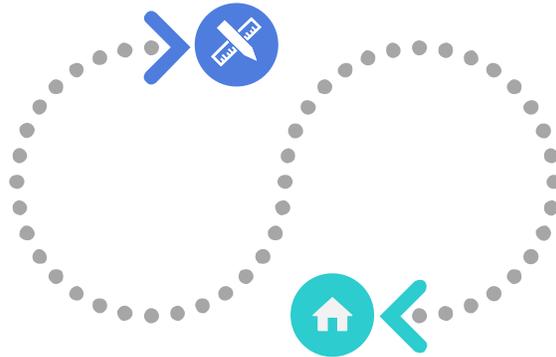
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Our Values

Institutionalized In Living Documents

- Equity & Decision Making Power
- Healthy People & Communities
- Revaluing Food & Agriculture

Ultimate goal: Building trust and relationships



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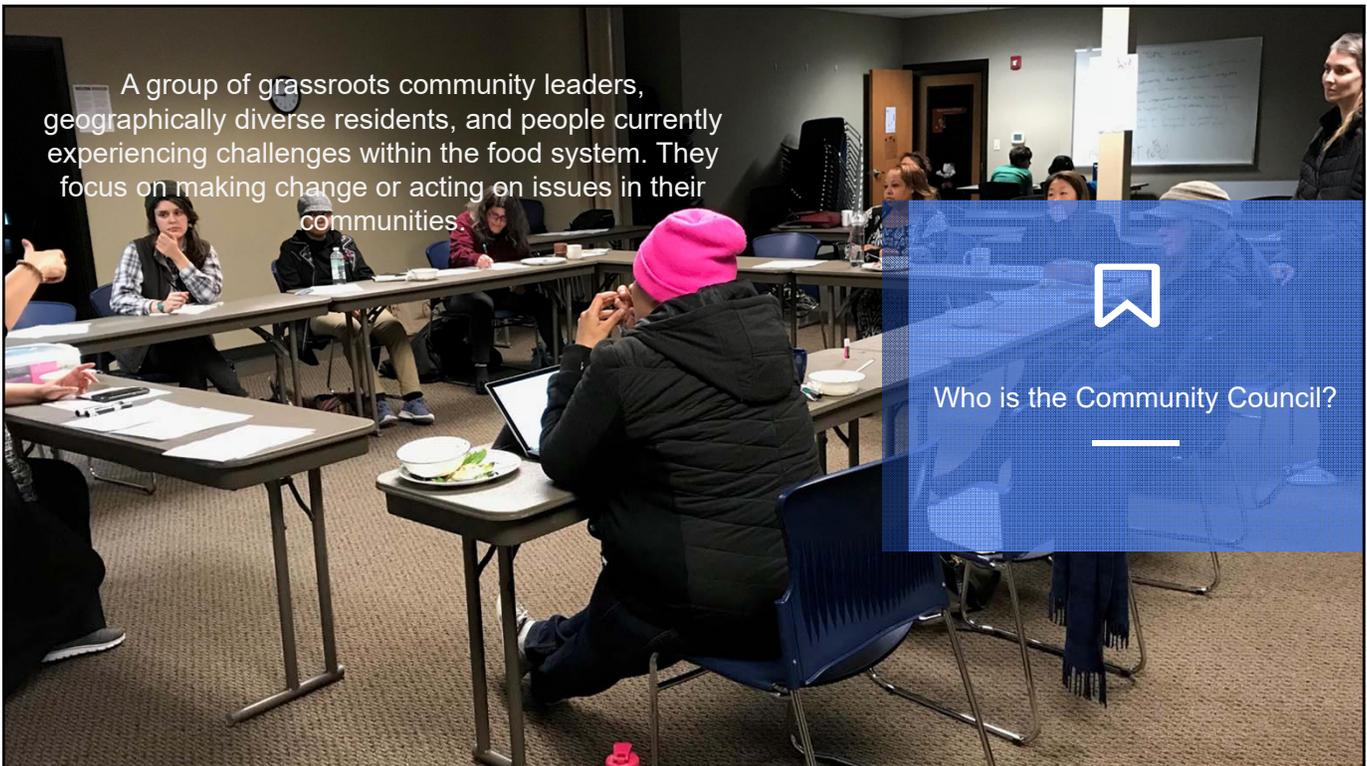
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Our Reach

Other Members & Partners Within the JHFS COI

27 Active Unaffiliated Members & Their Networks Across Tacoma





Barriers

And Issues Related To Food Security



Housing



Living Wage



Racism



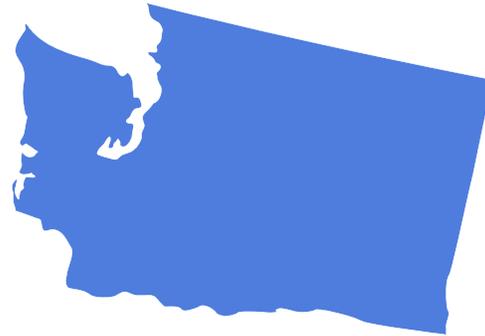
Lack of Transit



Childcare



Human Rights



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What We Know

Lived Experience

Access To Land
& Resources

Displacement &
Gentrification

Benefits Cliff

“We’re spending all this money, but I don’t feel like it works. It’s just enough to keep me afloat, but not out of the system.”

“Just because I’m an organizer, doesn’t mean I’m not affected. I need them to see who the people are. I’m an organizer because I’m affected.”

“I want to see them supporting things that allow us to get the food ourselves.”

“...supporting people already doing the work.”

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Andrea

Community Council Member



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Community Council Member



Requests

Community Council



- ✓ Legalize Sale of Produce In Yards Everywhere
- ✓ 1 to 2 Spots on The Sustainable Tacoma Commission focusing on Food Justice
- ✓ Institutionalize and Align The Work of the Office of Environmental Policy & Sustainability with JHFS COI
- ✓ Support Cooperatives, Land Trusts, & Community Centered Development.
- ✓ Prioritize Development & Planning That Incorporates Food & Urban Agriculture



URBAN AG. TASK FORCE

Building Capacity, Wealth & Resilience

Update For Environmental Action Plan

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Received Funding [In 2017](#)

- To research the current state of urban agriculture and best practices.
- Funding was also provided to implement a pilot project that is in progress.

Market Research

Resource Mapping

Best Practices

Current Situation

First Hand [Accounts](#)



Legal Grey Area



No Clear Path Forward



Fear & Concern About Housing & Affordability



Urban Ag. As A Tool



“Food deserts are not always as dry as they seem”

Tried & True

Tested Model

Hilltop Urban Gardens Urban Farm Network (UFN) model is generating a tremendous amount of food from many small-footprint plots. The UFN has also become a proven model to mitigate displacement and lack of affordable housing for low-income people.

- Urban Farm Network
- Collective Ownership
- Mitigate Displacement
- Impacted-Community Led Solutions



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Policy Requests

Urban Ag Task Force



- ✓ Define Urban Agriculture
- ✓ Legalize Sale of Produce In Yards Everywhere
- ✓ Simplify & Aggregate City Code Information
- ✓ Incorporate Urban Agriculture Into Planning & Development
- ✓ Support Cooperatives, Land Trusts, & Community Centered Development.

Programming Requests

Urban Ag Task Force



✓ | Fund An Urban Farming Training Program

✓ | Provide Support For Development of an Urban Food Hub

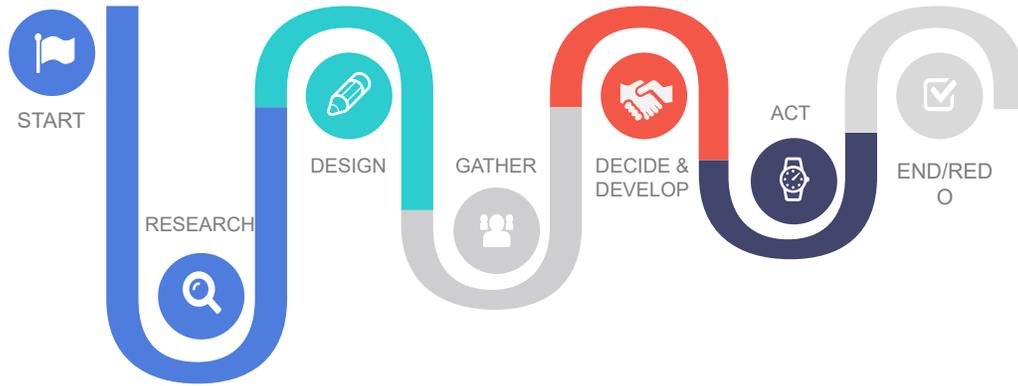


COMMUNITY CREATED RESEARCH

Building Leadership, and Supporting & Validating Lived Experience

Community Created Research

Support & Design Teams



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Member Highlight



Director at Hilltop Urban Gardens

Lead of Hilltop Design Team, Activity Support Team, and Urban Ag. Task Force

Hosted Community Forums and did surveying in the Hilltop Neighborhood.



Requests From Hilltop

Thoughts & Ideas From Their Communities

Support...
Cooperatives, Land Trusts, & Community Centered Development and continue to fight gentrification and displacement.



Support H.U.G.
To expand their model as a method of mitigating displacement and increasing food security.



Adriane

Member Highlight



Member of South Tacoma Design Team, Equity Team & is now the Assistant Coordinator of the JHFS COI

Led a South Tacoma People's Movement Assembly about Food Justice and it's intersection with Immigration, Incarceration & Land Access





South Tacoma

People's Movement Assembly

"A gathering of people to make decisions for collective action and power", that asks:

What are the problems we face?

What are the solutions?

What are we going to do about it?

Requests From South Tacoma

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Thoughts & Ideas From Their Communities

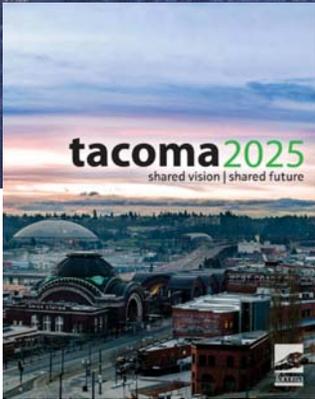
Continue...

...to focus on mitigating displacement and supporting resident's to build capacity to stay in place and build strong, resilient communities



Support the JHFS & the PMA Model





A3

Create & fund a reporting system and feedback forum for the city to hear from those suffering from food insecurity



A4

Support gleaning



A5

Support Urban Agriculture & clear hurdles so citizens can sell produce grown in the city



A7

Pilot 1 – 2 small-scale urban agriculture programs on public land

Connection To One Tacoma



DD-10.2

Encourage small, neighborhood-based retail food opportunities...



DD-10.3

Encourage farmers and neighborhood markets...



DD-10.4

Increase opportunities to grow food for person consumption, donation, sales, and educational purposes



EC 1.8 & 9

Encourage establishment or expansion of commercial business to produce good locally...



EC-3.4

Support incubator space...



EC-3.7

Facilitate development of programs and small business, particularly minority-women-owned...

Overarching Requests

For ALL TEAMS



- ✓ Build On Current Work of Office of Human Rights & Equity To Implement An Equity Lens For Requests
- ✓ Support & Partner With Each Team On Their Requests
- ✓ Create Alliance with OEPS and JHFS COI to continue to support new & existing community work

Contact Us

Thank You For Your Time!

**LET'S
TALK
FOOD**



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