

SONOMA COUNTY FOOD SYSTEM ALLIANCE HEALTHY & SUSTAINABLE FOOD ACTION PLAN DECLARATION OF SUPPORT



All residents of Sonoma County have a voice in the future of our food system – every eater, backyard gardener, home cook and professional chef, urban and rural farmer, food processor and distributor, emergency food provider, grocer and market vendor. It is critical that we combine efforts to make effective change in food system policy, practice, and programs.

VISION... We envision a county in which everyone has access to affordable, nutritious food. Local farms and operations play a primary role in producing that food. Each part of the food system, from seed to table and back to soil, is environmentally regenerative, economically viable, and supports a healthy life for all members of our community.

Therefore, we believe:

1. All people in our community should have access to enough affordable, healthful, fresh and culturally appropriate food.
2. Residents should not be inundated with unhealthy food choices like sugary drinks and junk food.
3. Community members should understand how their food choices impact their own health, and the health of the community and the larger world.
4. Healthy food and agriculture sectors are central to the long-term vitality of the local economy.
5. Farming and food system work should be economically viable and respected occupations.
6. Local agriculture, food production, distribution, consumption, and food waste management should work in a way that regenerates nature.

FOOD ACTION PLAN PILLARS & GOALS

Pillar	Goal
Agriculture & Natural Resources	1. Protecting and enhancing agricultural land base, farms and ranches
	2. Encouraging sound resource management
Economic Vitality	3. Supporting local food system jobs and commerce
	4. Encouraging institutional purchasing that supports the local food system
Healthy Eating	5. Increasing equitable access to healthy, affordable, safe, and culturally appropriate food and beverage choices, while decreasing availability of unhealthy choices in neighborhoods, schools and work places
	6. Connecting the food insecure with food and nutrition assistance programs
	7. Increasing education about local agriculture, nutrition and the impact of food and beverage choices
Social Equity	8. Addressing root causes of hunger and food insecurity
	9. Creating opportunity and justice for farmers, farm workers and food system workers
	10. Ensuring the inclusion of underserved and underrepresented communities in conversations and policymaking about Sonoma County's food system
	11. Increasing community resilience

Dear Supporter: Thank you for endorsing the Food Action Plan! One of our goals is to build more understanding and collaboration in the field. As such, some or all of the project information you provide may be shared (via our website) with others working on similar issues or used to help us evaluate the implementation of the FAP.

Questions? Please do not hesitate to contact us with any questions regarding this form or the Food Action Plan.

In support of the food action plan, I am signing on:

- As an individual supporter For my organization/coalition at large Both

I/We are signing on in support of: (choose one)

THE FOOD ACTION PLAN as a guiding vision for a healthy and sustainable local food system

(or)

- One or more FAP Pillar/s**
- Agriculture and Natural Resources
 - Economic Vitality
 - Healthy Eating
 - Social Equity

(or)

At this time, I/we can only sign-on to support the following FAP Goal/s:

Goal/s: _____

PROJECT INFORMATION

Current Action: Please describe up to 3 food system efforts you are currently active on.
Where possible, please indicate which FAP Goal/s your activities/projects is aligned with.

Future Action: We will be facilitating collaboration around the FAP Goals (see page 1).
Please list which Food Action Plan Goal/s you would like to connect with others around.

SUPPORTER INFORMATION

Name: _____

Organization/Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ **Email:** _____

I/we support the vision and principles of the Sonoma County Healthy and Sustainable Food Action Plan – to practice, plan and implement actions to advance a sustainable food system in Sonoma County that is local, healthy, equitable and prosperous for our region.

Signature of Supporter/Representative

Date

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