

Sustainable Providence

Food Working Group

Meeting #1: Monday, July 29th, 12:00-2:00 pm, City Hall Rm. 305

Desired Outcomes:

- **Food Working Group members are welcomed and feel prepared for their work**
- **Shared understanding of Food Working Group process, timeline, and goals**
- **Shared understanding of Mayor's Sustainability goal**
- **List of additions/changes to accomplishments and strategies in Food Sustainability status document**
- **Next steps**

Agenda:

1. Introductions (12:00-12:30 pm)

- **Co-Chairs: Ellen Cynar, Program Coordinator, Healthy Communities Office, City of Providence; Leo Pollock, Program Director, Southside Community Land Trust and Network Coordinator, RI Food Policy Council**
- **Working Group Members**
- **Sustainability Office: Sheila Dormody, Marisa O'Gara, and Sophie Purdom. (Staff will be available for administrative and research assistance for homework between meetings.)**
- **Environmental Sustainability Task Force and the Sustainable Providence Steering Committee**

2. Process (12:30-12:50 pm)

- **Meeting schedule**
 - o **When? 4-6 pm on Monday, July 29th; Wednesday, August 7th; Monday, August 19th; Wednesday, September 11th**
 - o **Where? City Hall Conference Room 305 (all meetings)**
 - **Overview of Working Group goals**
 - o **Review Mayor's Sustainability Goal (Meeting #1)**
 - o **Review and update current status document (Meetings #1 & 2)**
 - o **Develop strategies and tactics to achieve the goal (Meetings #2 & 3)**
 - o **Propose metrics to measure progress in annual reports (Meeting #3)**
 - o **Integrate climate change impacts and environmental justice considerations (Meeting #4)**
 - o **Develop report of recommendations to the Mayor (post-Meeting #4?)**
 - **Development of the Sustainable Providence Plan (ESTF and Steering Committee)**
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- 3. Priority areas for focus and general discussion (12:50-1:40 pm)**

 - 4. Identify Next Steps, Research Needs (1:40-1:50 pm)**

 - 5. Action Item Review (1:50-2:00 pm)**