

Food Security Legislation

SF Veterans Affairs Council Meeting

Mayor's Office
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Overview of Proposed Food Coordination Legislation



OFFICE

Office of Food Security Coordination (OFSC)

Establish the OFSC within SFHSA, building on the existing Citywide Food Access Team charged with:

- Citywide strategic planning
- Interagency alignment
- Data-driven policy and resource allocation



ADVISORY BODY

Food Security Council

Passive body that will meet quarterly to advise the Mayor's Office

- 6 community-based organizations
- 6 City departments (OFSC, DAS-OCP, BFS-CalFresh, DPH, SFUSD, HSH)
- 3 residents at risk of food insecurity
- Co-chaired by OFSC and a community organization



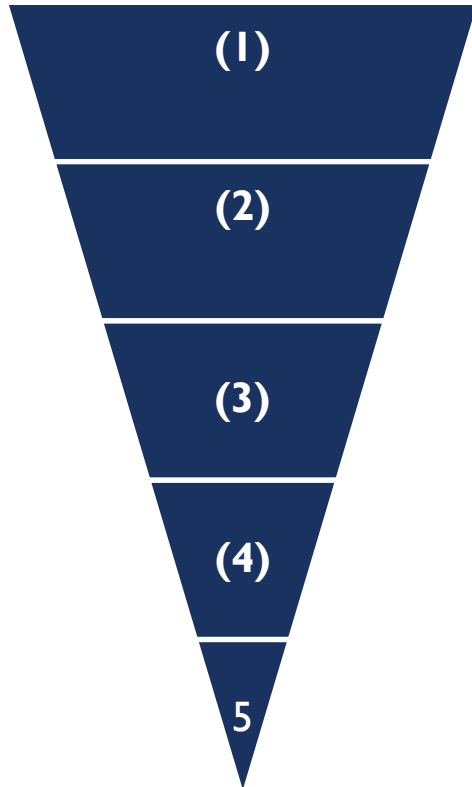
REPORT

Five-Year Assessment Cycle

Replace the Biennial Food Report with a five-year assessment and planning cycle, led by SFHSA

- Evaluate City food programs and services and how well they meet needs of residents
- 3-year interim report on funding and service levels

Strengthening Our System to Address New Work Requirements



(1) Intake and (2) Exemptions

- SFHSA uses data already in existing systems to apply exemptions automatically, without additional client contact
- Clients can easily provide information to SFHSA about their exemptions online, even without talking to a worker if they so desire.
- Clients can use a convenient self-service/online portal to understand their exemption/ compliance status.

(3) Work Connections

- SFHSA uses data already in existing systems to verify compliance with work requirements automatically (where possible), without additional client contact
- Clients are aware of their required hours and options to meet them
- Clients have access to plenty of compliant opportunities, and it is easy to sign up and get started.

(4) Documentation

- Clients who are working and must submit proof can easily understand what documentation to submit and how.

(5) Discontinuance

- Clients who are at risk of discontinuance or have recently been discontinued are alerted to the need for action and understand what to do.