



Food Security Subcommittee Meeting

Friday, August 18, 2022

Agenda

1. Survey Update
2. Stakeholder Forums
3. Secondary Data
4. Food Distribution Updates

Survey

- Granted IRB Exemption
- Survey
 - 41 responses in the first 2 days
- Distribution plans:
 - Digital (social media)
 - 1070 x 400 px banner image to Sarah and Alex Huseman for the county website and DAHS website
 - Outreach Events
 - MSMH team will share at Sotterley Unity event
 - Health Fair - October 14
 - Riverfest - September 24 (Suha will lead)
 - Flyers with QR codes on the buses (Sue will handle this)
 - Libraries
 - Shan will be collecting survey responses at an outreach table in lobbies over the next two months
 - MSMH - MMG & CHWs, flu clinics (Brenda will lead)
 - Pantries (Jacquie will reach out to the pantries via email to share the survey and offer printed versions)
 - Boots on the ground?
 - Reach out to EMS to see if they have certain neighborhoods that we can target with boots on the ground (Bill will lead this)
 - Door to door canvassing (we will solidify this once it has cooled off a bit)
 - SMC Fair (SMCHD team will lead this)

Survey (cont.)

- Distribution Plans (cont.):
 - SMCPS - Charlottis Woodley will help us share via Peachjar
 - DSS make it available
 - Senior Activity Centers (Sarah will take the lead)
 - St. Mary's Caring hard copy in food boxes
 - Farmers Markets
 - Home Delivered Meals (Jacquie providing Brandy with printed surveys for with the deliveries)
 - Grocery Stores (tabling outside)
 - R&P
 - Greater Baden reached out and asked for flyers (Shan delivered)
 - United Way of Southern Maryland
 - VA Sites
 - SMCM (Bill will lead)
 - CSM (Jacquie will lead)
 - Pax River NAS Clinic (Shan will lead)
 - Lex Leader
 - Housing Authority
 - Churches - ask to include in their bulletins
 - Feed St. Mary's (Bill will lead)

Stakeholder Forums

- Included hosting stakeholder forum in IRB proposal
- Looking for qualitative data including:
 - What have pantries seen?
 - Do they think households aren't coming forward that need assistance?
- Stakeholders identified to include/invite:
 - EMS
 - Food Pantries
 - Who else?
 - Sheriff's Office
 - Reps from the Farmers Markets
 - SMADC may have insight into usage of SNAP/EBT/WIC at the markets
 - Lettie Dent Food Distribution "Kids in the Park" - Mt Zion/SM Caring/Feed St. Mary's Partnership
 - Churches
- Plan to hold 1 forum at each library and then finish it out with a virtual forum

Secondary Data

- Shan reaching out to MDH about relevant data that they have
 - ALICE
 - Census
- SNAP
 - Dramatic increase recently
 - By zip & county amount out each month
- WIC
- Brenda reached out to MedStar Medical Group
 - Children's screening, Bright Futures, nutrition questions (Adequate Calcium
 - Adequate Vitamin D, Adequate Protein, Adequate Fruits, Adequate Vegetables, Whole Grains, Appropriate Portions, Family Meals, Adequate Water, Limits juice/sweetened beverages, Limits junk food, Limits fast food, Food assistance program
 - Medicare Wellness Screening
 - How many meals do you typically eat in a day?
 - Do you consider your diet to be health (includes fresh fruit and vegetables)?
 - In the past 12 months, have you been worried whether your food would run out before you had money to buy more?
 - In the past 12 months, the food I had did not last and I did not have money to buy more.
- SMCPS
 - Big push this year for free & reduced lunch program this year. Paper applications once kids are back in school - also an online application. (no more waivers for all free lunches)
 - End of October data will show this (MDE website)
- Other data your organization has or are aware of?
 - Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program (Brandy Tully) - also Home Delivered Meals
 - <https://mdfoodbank.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/07/MFB-Strategy-Group-Research-Report-Food-Insecurity-in-Maryland.pdf>
 - Survey pantries on any data they may have about distribution