

Joint Meeting of Food Justice Momentum Team and House Meeting Leaders

The meeting was held on Wednesday, November 18, 2009 at the Wellness Center at 4:30-pm to 6:30-pm.

House meeting leaders: Abdiweli Heibeh, Anastasia BrewsterArmando CatanoEugene Johnson Jr and friend Fernanda Campos, Grecia Lopez, Jeanette Neeley, Jocelyne Jimenez, Judith Ruvalcaba, Marion Cooper, Virginia Angeles, Wai Wai, Justin Brooks, Sophonya Simpson, DeSean Bailey and friend, John Makuach,

Jim Varnadore, Michelle Luellen, David Toss, Rebeca L., Rich MacGurn, Amina Hussein, David Lee Brown, Sahra Abdi, Rahmla Sahid, Faiza Ahmed, Guy Mock, Justin Brooks, Jacob Gatkuoth, Valentina Hernandez, Hamadi Jumale, Iddo Gelle, Virgilio, Sheila Mitra-Sarkar, Bill Oswald, Nohelia Patel, Esperanza Baza, Saima Bahramzi.
Young people: 7 kids.

The meeting on November was set to expose residents to the Food Justice Momentum Team, so the team hosted the house meeting leaders in a joint meeting. The momentum team also provided healthy meals.. There was a strong representation of house meeting leaders at the meeting. The Food Justice team was represented by Jennifer Chandler, Ryan Altman, Deirdre Kleske, Cynthia Estrada, Jack Dailey, Lisa Vandervoort, and Elle Igoe.

There were residents and youth also present at the meeting. The attendees were welcomed by Jen Chandler on behalf of the Food Justice MT. She was followed by Jeanette Neeley, House Meeting Leader and member of the FJMT. She summarized the changes in the process shared by Diana Ross regarding changes to the timeline to prepare a logic model.

Nohelia Patel, Program Supervisor, Mid City CAN presented a plan for resident involvement based on three levels of involvement: low level, medium level and high level. Based on the discussions at the previous HML meetings where the Leaders felt that they wanted to remain engaged with the residents and work with the House Meeting Leaders to help shape a unified vision. Their direct connection with the residents spurred their interest in creating an entity/team that will enable them to have the highest level of engagement.

Nohelia Patel was followed by Bill Oswald, facilitator for the Meeting who discussed the process that TCE has laid out to develop the logic model based on the 10 outcomes. Bill Oswald also explained how the 5 Momentum teams had been set up to assist in creating the logic model. He further explained through his slides that community capacity building and accountability should be a natural tie in to the process and added that a Resident Momentum Team comprising of HMLs, residents and youth would help in fulfilling the gaps in accountability. This team would also be considered to be at the highest level of involvement. The house meeting leaders were encouraged to share their thoughts and opinions on the creation of a resident driven team. Those who concurred

with a new team wanted this team creates as soon as possible so that the residents can be mobilized to start working on the logic model process. A consensus vote was taken all present in the room agreed to move forward with the team and one abstained.