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The Newsletter of the Sacramento Region Food System Collaborative

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What are we missing?

Is there something you would like us to include in our newsletter?

Email [Adriane Lepage](mailto:adriane.lepage@valleyvision.org) and let her know what topics/issues you would like to learn more about.

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Dear Adriane,

Happy New Year! The FSC has taken off running in 2012 and we are excited to share all the good news with you.

Applications are being accepted for the first FSC Steering Committee. Read the article below for more information on how you can apply!

Our **first quarterly convening** of the year took place on January 11th. We had two great presentations: one by Jennifer Taylor on the **California Farm Academy** and one by Joe Devlin on **WayUp Sacramento**. Click [here](#) to read the meeting notes and view the presentations.

The **FSC Directory** is now up and running. Click [here](#) to view the site, which links directly from our [homepage](#). We invite your feedback, which you can send to [Adriane Lepage](mailto:adriane.lepage@valleyvision.org).

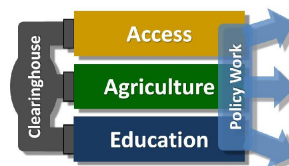
Our January Partner Profile features the **Camptonville Community Partnership**. Keep reading to see the great work being done in this rural community.

Also, don't forget to check out the **Upcoming Events** taking place in 2012!

Cheers,
Robyn

FSC Steering Committee Applications Being Accepted!

The Governance Workgroup is currently accepting applications for the Food System Collaborative's first Steering Committee. The Steering Committee will guide the advocacy, policy recommendations, and actions of the FSC.



Regional Food Collaborative Framework. July 2009.

If you are interested in being considered for a position on the Steering Committee, please first review the [Steering Committee Parameters & Elections](#)

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Process. To apply please send the following information to Adriane Lepage (adriane.lepage@valleyvision.org) by **January 31st**:

- Name
- Affiliation
- Contact Information (email & phone number)
- Sector and geography you feel your perspective best represents (understanding that you may not be officially "representing" that sector or geography)
- Why you are interested in being on the Steering Committee
- What you will bring to the group and the process

Applications will be reviewed by the Governance Workgroup on February 2nd and those chosen will be contacted no later than Friday, February 3rd.

If you have any questions about the Steering Committee, FSC Governance, or this process, please contact Robyn Krock (robyn.krock@valleyvision.org).

Update: Healthy Foods Task Force

The Healthy Foods Task Force was formed by Superintendent Jonathan Raymond of the Sacramento City Unified School District (SCUSD) in October 2010. The Task Force focuses on three areas: Food quality and taste; the climate and culture of school cafeterias; and teaching students about food through campus gardens. The task force is a collaboration involving the district's Nutrition Services and SCUSD partners. Accomplishments include:



- All SCUSD schools now have salad bars
- SCUSD is now serving fresh fruits and vegetables from local farms
- Lunch menus have expanded to include more "from scratch" dinner-style choices
- Students are involved in taste-testing menu items
- A Breakfast First initiative to increase participation in SCUSD's breakfast program was launched in September

The Task Force has started strategic planning efforts for improved cooking facilities, increasing the number of students served both at breakfast and lunch, school gardens with curriculum integration, and better cafeteria environments.

In late 2011, the facilitation of the group transitioned from Valley Vision to the District, under the leadership of Adrian Williams, Strategic Partnership Specialist in the Family and Community Engagement Office. If you are interested in the work of the Task Force or would like to attend one of their quarterly meetings, please contact Adrian at adrian-williams@sac-city.k12.ca.us.

Partner Profile: Camptonville Community Partnership

by Cathy LeBlanc

The Camptonville Community Partnership (CCP) is a non-profit organization that oversees the Family Resource Center programs, with the mission to support the health, education, economic and social well-being of Camptonville residents of all ages. We work with decision makers to help develop and implement health policy in our county.





In this crucial time of school budget shortfalls it is vital that children's health not be jeopardized and the small town of Camptonville makes a powerful case study of how good health is a community wide project. With the cooperation of Yuba County Office of Education and funding from Sutter North Medical Foundation as well as Network for Healthy California we are working to update School Wellness Policies. CCP will bring together school staff, administration, parents and community partners to develop School Wellness Policies that value the connection between fresh food, exercise and health. This project will offer Yuba County School Districts an opportunity to gain a better understanding of their School Wellness Policies and will serve all six school districts in Yuba County.

Through this and similar action we have become a well-respected leader, responsive to the voice of our region. Community programs in rural Camptonville are built on the solid foundation of children's health. We also have over 15 years of Asset Based Community Development expertise. Described in its simplest terms this means we honor and respect the gifts and talents of all the folks we engage. Our success in these areas has prompted other rural communities to reach out to us for training and support.

Health related advocacy is not all we do. At the heart of CCP is our Family Resource Center, a vital link in the connection of community to decision makers. We offer an early childhood education program, dental education, outreach support, and enrichment activities. We are seeking funding to continue our successful programs and to share our achievements. We currently have two Board member openings and are always looking for partners to help us reach our goals. For more information about CCP please visit our web site at www.camptonville.com or call us at (530) 288-9355.

If you are interested in having your organization highlighted in our newsletter, please email [Adriane Lepage](mailto:Adriane.Lepage).

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday Supper to Support Soil Born Farms

Date & Time: January 29th, 5PM-7PM

Location: Co-op Community Learning Center

Focus: An organic family-style supper featuring produce picked fresh from Soil Born Farms. Live music and a short presentation about the farm's educational projects will round out the evening. For a menu & to purchase tickets, click [here](#).

The Last Crop & the Future of California Agriculture

Date & Time: January 31st, 6:30PM-9PM

Location: [Sierra 2 Community Center](#)

Focus: The Last Crop tells the story of a family, a farm and a vision for an agricultural future that is truly sustainable. Join the filmmaker and farmers after the film for a discussion of how to protect existing farms, create opportunities for young farmers and ensure sources of local food for generations to come. Tickets and more information available [here](#).

2012 PlacerGrown Food & Farm Conference

Date & Time: February 4th, 8AM-4:30PM

Location: Lincoln High School (790 J Street, Lincoln)

Focus: The one day educational conference features over 25 workshops; focused workshops; engaging keynote addresses and numerous networking opportunities. The theme of the 2012 conference is "Cultivating the next generation." For more information & tickets, click [here](#).

Slow Food Sacramento General Membership Meeting**Date & Time:** February 13th, 6PM-8PM**Location:** Grange Hall**Focus:** For more information, visit slowfoodsacramento.com.**Dinner on the Farm****Date & Time:** February 26th, starts at 5PM**Location:** Farm on Putah Creek, Winters**Focus:** Fundraiser for youth education programs, ensuring more students get hands-on experience in sustainable agriculture on California's farms and ranches. Featuring fine outdoor dining with a special Winter menu delicately prepared by Chef Patrick Mulvaney and Chef Oliver Ridgeway. Tickets are \$100 each. Click [here](#) to view the invitation and purchase tickets.**Sunday Supper to Support Soil Born Farms****Date & Time:** February 26th, 5PM-7PM**Location:** Co-op Community Learning Center**Focus:** An organic family-style supper featuring produce picked fresh from Soil Born Farms. Live music and a short presentation about the farm's educational projects will round out the evening. For a menu & to purchase tickets, click [here](#).**Pig Day Breakfast****Date & Time:** March 3rd, starting at 8AM**Location:** Davis Farmers' Market**Focus:** Hosted by the Food Bank of Yolo County in partnership with Sodexo. While a donation is encouraged, the breakfast is open to the community as a "thank you" for another year of support.**Sacramento Food Film Festival****Date & Time:** March 10th**Location:** The Guild Theater, Sacramento**Focus:** The film line-up includes Ingredients, Dive, Farmageddon, The Future of Food, Food Matters, Lunch Line, The Last Crop and What's Organic about Organic? Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$30 day of show. Visit sacfoodfilmfest.com.**Sunday Supper to Support Soil Born Farms****Date & Time:** March 25th, 5PM-7PM**Location:** Co-op Community Learning Center**Focus:** An organic family-style supper featuring produce picked fresh from Soil Born Farms. Live music and a short presentation about the farm's educational projects will round out the evening. For a menu & to purchase tickets, click [here](#).**Earth Day Celebration****Date & Time:** April 22nd, 11AM-5PM**Location:** Southside Park**Focus:** The 6th Annual Celebration will be filled with business, non-profit, cultural and government vendors with information, goods and services for saving money, living healthier, and protecting the environment. They also have entertainment, activities and cuisine! Click [here](#) for more information.

For event updates, visit our [online calendar](#). You can also use this calendar to add these events directly to your calendar!

Want your events listed here? Email [Adriane Lepage](mailto:Adriane.Lepage) and we'll add it to our calendar so FSC members know about it!

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