

December 20, 2013

Dot Survey Activity_Final

Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council Open House: December 5, 2013

Process: Community members and Food Council members helped identify specific priority areas for the upcoming year. During the 2013 Annual Open House, attendees received three dots and were instructed to select the top three strategies they would like to see the Food Council pursue in 2014. See below for results.

Ranking	Number of Votes	Priority
1	68	Explore and promote models to support local food business development and training programs in Minneapolis, such as: urban agriculture enterprise incubator, aggregation/distribution cooperatives for small farmers, and the Homegrown Business Development Center.
2	59	Support the Homegrown Minneapolis Food Council Land Access/Urban Agriculture Working Group in: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Increasing access to land for urban agriculture 2. Removing urban agriculture policy barriers
3	41	Expand curbside organic waste collection citywide.
4	29	Convene a Minneapolis food processing/value-added production stakeholder group to develop a network of practitioners and assess barriers and opportunities to increase local food processing.
4	29	Increase access to healthier foods in licensed grocery stores by supporting the revision and adoption of new standards for the city's Staple Foods Ordinance.
5	28	Work with the Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board to pass and implement the Urban Agriculture Activity Plan.
6	24	Increase the promotion of EBT at Farmers Markets.
7	15	Work with the Minneapolis Public Housing Authority, Common Bond Communities and other landlords to increase food production for their residents.
8	11	Engage community members in "Planting an Extra Row" and donating the produce to a local food shelf.
N/A	(see adjacent column)	<p>What are we missing? Community members were also given an opportunity to identify other strategies they would like to see the Food Council pursue in 2014.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth: 2 • Reduce SSB: 7 • Working with all involved groups – parents, students, staff – and bring them together for education/sharing of ideas: 2 • Protect pollinators by allowing localities to regular pesticide use on ornamental plants: 5 • Hmong, non-white farmers: 2 • Investigate/implement models of urban agriculture that are financially sustainable • Tap water – no bottles!