

## FOOD for Lane County

### Participant Advisory Council

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The goal of the FOOD for Lane County Participant Advisory Council is to center community voices within our organization and in our work to alleviate hunger in Lane County with a vision towards a hunger free community.

**Number of council sessions:** 6

**Time period:** January 2020 – June 2020

The purpose of the council is to provide advice and community input on the service delivery, access and availability of foods for individuals striving for greater personal food security, including:

- Providing feedback on FFLC's programs and services
- Provide insight on how services are delivered, food quality, accessibility, respect
- Contribute to certain aspects of organizational decision making
- Build relationships and share basic needs resources to improve the emergency food system
- Address stigma around emergency food assistance and provide leadership for change
- Share a meal together and each other's company

**Participant Advisory Council meeting times:** The second Wednesday of the month from 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm, from January 2020 to June of 2020. Participant Advisory Council meetings will be held at the FOOD for Lane County Dining Room, 270 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Ave, Downtown Eugene.

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The participants on the council will come from a diversity of backgrounds, experiences, ages, races, geographical locations and cultures with a passion for improving the emergency food system for all. The 6 sessions will focus on learning from your experiences, incorporating your recommendations and engaging our community to address stigma including topics ranging from:

- Monthly food budgets, access to programs and services
- Food preferences and food quality
- Obstacles and opportunities at points of service
- Addressing myths and stigma around emergency food
- Solutions for greater food access and other basic needs resources
- Leadership opportunities and change agents to end hunger

Participants selected for the council will receive a small cash stipend at the end of each meeting to compensate for their time. Child care and transportation assistance will be available.