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Food Strategic Plan Overview



The Nevada Department of Health and Human Services contracted The Blueprint Collaborative, who partnered with the Guinn Center, to facilitate a comprehensive strategic planning process to address the issue of food security in Nevada.

Lead



Lead systems change to improve food security through greater collaboration, information-sharing, and policy development efforts.

Grow



Grow Nevada local food sources.

Feed



Feed Nevada's population at increased/higher risk for food insecurity.

Reach



Reach populations in Nevada that are experiencing food insecurity and/or that are at increased/higher risk for food insecurity with nutrition-dense and affordable and culturally appropriate foods.

Build



Build Nevada's food security ecosystem by increasing capacity and education.



Fund for a Healthy Nevada (FHN)



- Began in 1999 under the Nevada Revised Statute (NRS)439.620
- Utilize 60% of tobacco settlements received/recovered by the state of Nevada
- The 2013 Legislature declared this statute to fund programs that address the health and wellness of Nevadans & children's health
- The Grants Management Advisory Committee (GMAC) began a statewide community needs assessment every other year to determine funding priorities
- Total fund amount: \$2 million Annually



Pillar One: Lead



Lead Goal 1: Enhanced cooperation, communication, and representation to support policy development and resource utilization.

Objective I: Improve collaboration, communication, coordination, and information-sharing among food ecosystem partners.

Objective II: Increase representation of partners from transportation and housing sectors, tribal communities, and those who have lived experience with food insecurity in decision-making processes related to food security.

Lead Goal 2: Policies and funding are in place to help reduce food insecurity.

Objective I: Seek funding to support programs and initiatives to reduce food insecurity, expand the availability of and accessibility to food, and improve the affordability of food.

Objective II: Support state and federal grant applications that will direct funding to food security programs by improving data and collection and evaluation.

FHN Partner Example

- **Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada**
 - Objective 1.1: By June 30, 2024, deliver a minimum of 44,500 lbs. of food to feed 235 unduplicated individuals monthly through a rural network of pantries and home deliveries by targeting individuals struggling with food insecurity in rural Nevada.
 - Activity 1.1.1: Purchase a minimum of 44,500 lbs. of food



Pillar Two: Grow



Grow Goal 1: Nevada feeds itself and local food is consumed locally.

Objective I: Strengthen Nevada's food security supply chain and food system.

Objective II: Support the expansion of state/local programs that promote the consumption of locally produced agricultural goods.

Grow Goal 2: Nevada's local farmers have access to information, capital, and programs to support food production.

Objective I: Strengthen communication and collaboration among farmers and ranchers in Nevada, particularly small producers, to raise awareness about programs and resources.

Objective II: Help advance access to capital, or innovative programs that clear roadblocks to local food production.

FHN Partner Example

- **Communities in Schools**
 - Objective 1.1: By June 30, 2024, provide 8,000 meals to 350 unduplicated students in the Elko County School District through the Hunger Prevention Program.
 - Activity 1.1.2: Provide weekly food bags to food-insecure students.



Pillar Three: Feed



Feed Goal 1: Nevada has efficient logistics, distribution, transportation, and storage systems to address food insecurity.

Objective I: Help advance improvements in the food logistics, distribution, transportation, and storage systems and funding for those systems with the goal bringing food to people to address food insecurity while creating a sustainable food ecosystem that values workers, consumers, and the land.

Objective II: Support new strategic partnerships that can assist with transportation needs and efforts to distribute food to people, particularly individuals at increased/ higher risk for food insecurity.

Feed Goal 2: Nevada's food recovery efforts reduce food waste.

Objective I: Strengthen producer, processor, and market networks to support food recovery.

FHN Partner Example

- **Dignity Health**

- Objective 1.1: By June 30, 2024, enroll 135 food-insecure individuals residing in Clark County into the Fruit and Vegetable Prescription Program (FVRx) delivery services in partnership with Cluck it Farm.
- Activity 1.1.2: Work with community partners in screening and referring food-insecure individuals to FVRx.



Pillar Four: Reach



FHN Partner Example

- **Keystone Enrichment Foundation**
 - Objective 1.2: By June 30, 2024, provide case management to a minimum of 25 unduplicated individuals to access other social services programs and/or benefits.
 - Activity 1.2.1: Connect and refer individuals to appropriate social services tailored to their specific needs and goals.

Reach Goal 1: Increase participation in state/federal nutrition programs by those experiencing food insecurity and/or who are at increased/higher risk for food insecurity.

Objective I: Increase participation in programs designed to reduce food insecurity.

Reach Goal 2: Increase access to food through promotion of client-centered strategies.

Objective I: Expand client-centered options for those who have limited access to grocery stores, cooking/storage facilities, etc.

Objective II: Increase awareness of available culturally appropriate food options among food pantry and food bank staff.



Pillar Five: Build



Build Goal 1: Increase local and community capacity to provide food and reduce food insecurity.

Objective I: Support ways to increase funding for service providers to build physical and organizational capacity and for general operating support.

Objective II: Increase outreach and engagement with Nevada's tribal communities to help build their capacity to grow, secure, and provide food to their members.

Build Goal 2: Resources and programs are available to populations that are experiencing food insecurity and/or who are at increased/higher risk for food insecurity.

Objective I: Collect and promote information about food resources in Nevada and about how to prepare nutrition-dense foods.

Objective II: Community partners plan for the future of food security solutions.

FHN Partner Example

- **University of Nevada Reno – Mineral Extension**
 - Objective 1.1: By June 30, 2024, distribute fresh produce to a minimum of 250 older adults (65 years and older or with disabilities) through the Veggies for Seniors program.
 - Activity 1.1.2: Collaborate with community partners to establish a food delivery system responsive to the individuals and cultural diversity of the communities served.



Summary



- All 11 providers have fully executed their goals and objectives in SFY22 with continued progress into SFY23 and requested to continue efforts in SFY24-25
- The Fund for a Healthy Nevada funds served 341,930 Nevadans and connected them with the necessary resources.
- FHN has made a daily impact on Nevadans by distributing a total of 3,778,889 meals.





Questions?



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Acronyms



FHN – Fund for a Healthy Nevada