

Multnomah County Food Advisory Board Member Qualifications

Multnomah County is looking for individuals to join the Multnomah County Food Advisory Board (FAB), to advise the County on ways to leverage the local food system in order to improve the delivery of public services. **Because issues such as nutrition, health, food insecurity and food access disproportionately impact low income and communities of color, we encourage individuals who work primarily in such communities to apply**

Applicants should have strong experiences in areas such as:

- Health and health equity
- Nutrition
- Anti-hunger initiatives
- Anti-poverty initiatives
- Local economic development
- Homelessness prevention
- Community organizing
- Local agriculture
- Food security and access
- Food business and industry leadership
- Community food education
- Land use and urban planning
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Requirements:

- Must live or work primarily in Multnomah County
- Willing and able to serve a two year term
- Willing and able to attend quarterly meetings (8 meetings over 2 years)

Desirable Qualities:

- **Visionary.** Sees the big picture and understands how the local food system can enhance the County's ability to serve the most vulnerable populations.
- **Justice-oriented.** Has a strong grasp of social equity concepts, including environmental justice, health equity, economic development, food access, and cultural competency.
- **Collaborative.** Desires to participate in FAB meeting discussions in ways that challenge themselves and other members while also respecting differing viewpoints.
- **Publicly Minded.** Advocates for the public good, not for one narrow constituency or perspective.
- **Committed.** Takes appointment to the FAB seriously and participates fully and enthusiastically in the group's work as an advisory body.

Interested individuals should download the application and submit their completed application along with an up-to-date resume to mulnomahfood@multco.us or via mail by **5:00pm on March 25th** to be considered. **We anticipate that members will be appointed in April 2013 and a kick off meeting will take place on Wednesday, April 24th from 4pm-6pm.**

Please return completed applications to:

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