November 2018 Food Systems Subcommittee Meeting Notes

1. Roll Call
   a. Introduce yourself, your position, your favorite side dish & why it’s your fav.

2. SIT (State Implementation Team) Updates
   a. Choosing Sites for Actions in SEEDS
      i. When promoting summer food sites or farmers markets, choose the sites being promoted (so the actual SFSP site or farmers market) when you report the action in SEEDS.
      ii. Example 1: If you have a meeting at DES office to discuss Double Up promotion with the office manager, you would choose the farmers markets with Double Up as the sites (even though the meeting was with the DES office).
      iii. Example 2: If you drop off SFSP flyers at a community center, you would choose the nearby SFSP sites (not the community center) when reporting the action.
      iv. Refer to Appendix G on page 127 of the SEEDS User Guide for details.
   b. Choosing Resources for Actions in SEEDS
      i. A resource for the purpose of SEEDS is “a tool that describes implementation of an intervention within a PSE Strategy/Activity.” A
resource is not curriculum, handouts, learning enhancers, flyers, etc. Resources in SEEDS are those that guide your overall intervention.

ii. Example: You may have a meeting with a school garden committee to plan for an upcoming work day among other things. Perhaps, you bring some copies of an Extension publication because you know they are having a pest problem in the garden. You would not choose the Extension publication as a resource because it is not guiding your overall intervention (which is to start and maintain the garden). Rather, you would choose something like *Arizona Gardens for Learning: Creating and Sustaining Your School Garden* which guides you in the larger intervention or PSE change.

iii. If you are using a resource that’s not listed in SEEDS, please send it to Jesse Davenport so she can add it: Jessica.Davenport@azdhs.gov.

c. Business of Farm to School Regional Meetings
   i. December 10th 1-5 PM in Phoenix
   ii. December 12th 1-5 PM in Prescott Valley
   iii. December 14th 1-5 PM in Tucson
   iv. Details & registration at https://ems.azed.gov/Home/Calendar

d. Arizona Food Summit
   i. January 8-9, 2018 in Tucson
   ii. Agenda and registration at https://arizonafoodsummit.org/

e. Summer Food Service Program Summit
   i. February 25, 2018 in Phoenix, AZ
   ii. Registration not available yet

3. SET (State Evaluation Team) Updates
   a. STORE Refresher Training in March (date TBD)
      i. Required for all programs working in small or large food stores
      ii. All stores assessed with a STORE tool in FY17 must be reassessed this year
      iii. Also assess stores you are newly partnering with
      iv. You must attend training (live or review recording) prior to using the STORE tool
   b. Exploring food bank/pantry for evaluation in a future year
      i. Contact Laurel if you have not yet connected on any food bank evaluations you are doing: jacobsj@email.arizona.edu
   c. Next month’s meeting: Garden Champions special project debrief
   d. First look!!! FY16-18 SFSP evaluation results (See SFSP chart below)
4. **Policy Updates & Happenings (I Heard...)**
   a. Farm Bill: House GOP leaders may compromise on conversation, commodity programs, and SNAP work requirements in order pass a bill by the end of the year. If they cannot, Congress will be looking at a 1-year extension of the current farm bill.
   b. LIA staff changes
      i. Welcome to Christen Williams, new staff at UA-Mohave!
      ii. UA-Pinal and Mohave County have recently hired new staff as well.
      iii. Heather Klomparens is back with Yavapai County.
      iv. Shauna Clements has left Navajo County.
      v. Connie Ballard is leaving Maricopa County in early December.

5. **Discussion Topics**([https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FScommittee](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FScommittee))
   a. Seed to Supper Adult Gardening Curriculum
      i. Spanish course book will be available by end of January 2019.
      ii. Paula Skillicorn with UA-Maricopa is currently teaching the Seed to Supper series!
      iii. Remember, Seed to Supper has six required lessons.
      iv. Curriculum download on AZ Health Zone to be updated with slide decks and pre/post course surveys and link resent via email.

6. **LIA check in with Rebecca from UA-Yavapai**
   a. How do other LIAs store and transport garden supplies, especially things like lumber?
      i. Marina: We have a tuff shed that was purchased with SNAP-Ed funds. You can also buy pre-assembled raised beds that come in boxes to avoid loose lumber.
      ii. Sterling: Here in Apache County we have a storage shed as well. I transport the materials in my own pick-up
      iii. Gina & Cindy: I believe Allison usually transports materials in her own car as well. Sometimes she gets lumber delivered directly to sites as well.
      iv. Tricia: We often work with juvenile community restitution programs to build and transport

7. **Closing**
   a. Next meeting is December 12.
   b. Great attendance and participation today, thanks everyone!

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**Next AZ Health Zone Food Systems Subcommittee Meeting**

December 12, 2018 10-11 AM

As always, please fill out our survey monkey if you want to bring up any questions to the group: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FScommittee](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FScommittee)