ACTION TEAMS

Description

Teams organize to build capacity and implement state-level Food Charter strategies that would benefit from cross sector engagement and alignment.

Emergence

During a 2015 Network planning process, several areas were identified that would benefit from cross sector engagement, alignment and organized action:

- Learning & Capacity Building
- Shared Measurement
- Policy

In the future, there will be opportunities to create new Action Teams in response to identified gaps across the state.

Functions

- Identify opportunities within the Food Charter for statewide efforts to support implementation of Food Charter strategies
- Develop a work plan with goals and tactics to support identified priorities and contribute to action steps in between meetings
- Develop a budget to support tactics
- Work with Network Director to identify funding sources to support or execute work plans
- Provide progress updates to the Network Strategic Team
- Ensure alignment with Network values, processes and priorities

Expectations

- Initial commitment of 18 months through June 30, 2017; approximately 3-5 hours per month
- Meetings every other month; attendance required for at least ¾ of meetings in person or remotely
- New members brought on quarterly through an application process
- One Action Team member or Co-Facilitator will sit on the NFC Network Strategic Team to ensure alignment with broader vision and collaborative work

Decision Making

Decisions are made by consensus, with super majority voting if unable to reach a consensus.

Composition & Core Criteria

- Up to 12 total members including 2 Co-Facilitators
- Facilitated by Co-Leads and supported by the Network Director and Coordinator
- Intentional representation across race, ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, and economic status
- Intentional representation across the spectrum of the food system
- At least half of members have prior or current experience with local, regional or issue based networks
- Ability to bring “network thinking” to Action Teams, contribute individual voices and ultimately align around identified collective work