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WFC FAP COMMITTEE MEETING NOTES

April 4th, 2014 – 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Location – Park Room
 Campbell’s Resort
 104 West Woodin Avenue
 Chelan, Washington

Committee members in attendance:

HopeSource	Joann Rushton
WSDA Food Assistance Programs	Kim Eads
The Rescue Mission	Chris Croft
Thurston County Food Bank	Robert Coit
Northwest Harvest	Bonnie Baker
Yakima Food Bank	Earl Hall

Others in attendance:

Stephanie Marin, Karma Ruder, Julie Washburn, Scott Milne, Dan Speare

Overview of Last Meeting/Next Steps in Work Plan (*Robert Coit*)

Discussion FAP allocation formulas:

- Executive Summaries
 - Asked for feedback via email
 - No response
 - Asked for feedback and at meeting
 - None given
- Reminder that the group agreed to have allocation formula discussion on off years
- Discussion of Base amount:
 - Generally regarded as helpful especially for rural communities
 - Protects smaller agencies from small shifts that can be big for them
 - *Motion passed to ask WFC board to recommend to WSDA that the allocation base stay as is*
- Member question on how EFAP is allocated from lead agencies specifically for King County
 - State doesn’t designate
 - Up to lead agency
- *Motion passed to use same allocation formula as in past for all programs*

New Business

Discussion of \$800,000 in additional EFAP funding:

- WSDA will come out with written guidance in week of 4/7/14
- All funding will be passed to lead agencies (none to WSDA)
- One time funding; no match requirement for the “new” funding
- Funding will be split between tribe and food pantries using typical allocation formula
 - Decision made through informal call with FAP committee members and WSDA staff
- *Motion passed for FAP committee to recommend WFC Advocacy Committee write to WSDA requesting WSDA ask for \$1 million per year in the Ag and Governor’s budget’s*
- WSDA will be holding a stakeholder meeting in May
 - Kim Eads recommended FAP Committee send letter asking to be invited to meeting

WSDA Update (*Kim Eads*)

- New WSDA FAP website will be coming out in next couple weeks

- TEFAP food levels are almost at the same level as last year for both entitlement and bonus foods (see attachment)
- Trying to look at food from a full system perspective
 - Governor's Goal #4
 - Increase by 5% healthier food options for children & families in food pantries by 2017
 - Asking targeted agencies for input to make sure reporting to track this change is not overly burdensome; possible meeting April 24 at NWH in Kent.

Next Meeting

- No formal meetings until conference
 - Yearly work plan items are complete
- Agenda Items for next meeting:
 - Results Washington
 - Food system distribution model
 - WSDA putting together report on other state's models
 - Need to decide what our model should look by July 1, 2015