







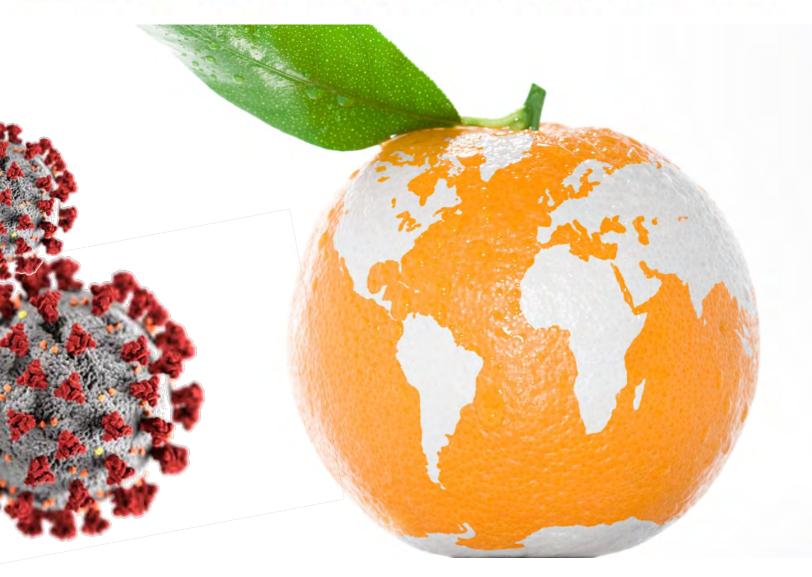
TAMPA BAY NETWORK TO END HUNGER PRESENTS

OCTOBER 29-30, 2020

SUNSHINE SUMMIT TO END HUNGER

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UNDERSTANDING THE GLOBAL EFFECTS OF COVID-19
ON FOOD SYSTEMS & THE LOCAL EFFECTS ON
EMERGENCY FEEDING EFFORTS

TAMPA BAY NETWORK TO END HUNGER



Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger (TBNEH) is a tri-county network of anti-hunger organizations across Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas counties. We are a network of over 350 hunger fighters from all corners of the field who come together to share experiences, knowledge, and the workload in tackling hunger in the Tampa Bay area. We believe that working together,

rather than separately, is smarter, more efficient, and more rewarding. We don't just identify solutions; we implement them. Our members stand by our core values, which include: fostering collaboration, embracing change, inspiring hope, increasing awareness, promoting health, and creating a lasting impact. We invite you to join our next meeting! Visit www.NetworktoEndHunger.org to find more.

TBNEH PLANNING COMMITTEE



Caitlyn Peacock is the Executive Director of Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger. She is responsible for facilitating the mission of TBNEH, one of the largest non-profit anti-hunger, membership organizations in Florida, by fostering relationships with over 350 members and community organizations around food insecurity, building the capacity of organizations to provide food security related services, and promoting access to healthy food in Tampa Bay. She has developed and enhanced many programs to increase food

security in Tampa Bay, including Gardens to Go, Meals on Wheels St. Petersburg, and Summer Break Spot. Cait also oversees the Hunger Gap Map, a premier interactive meal gap map tracker, that is accessed by agencies all over the state to inform their mission and program growth. Before devoting her full time to TBNEH, Cait owned her own company, Next Stop Produce, one of the first mobile produce trucks in Tampa Bay to serve low income individuals and food deserts. She holds previous positions with Florida Impact, Metropolitan Ministries, and RCS Food Bank.



Lauren M. Vance, MPH, is the Director of Programs and Communications for Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger. Her specialties include health, hunger, research and education. She designs and implements programs that enable organizations to achieve their development goals through instruction and effective communication. She has developed and enhanced many programs to increase food security in Tampa Bay, including Regenerative Community Food System, Meals On Wheels St. Petersburg, Meals On Wheels for

Kids, Produce On Wheels, Water on Wheels and Meals On Wheels of Tampa. Lauren has developed and helped launch research studies and educational programs nationally and internationally, including in the USA, Belize and Germany. She also assists in the organization of the annual TBNEH Summit to End Hunger conference each year. Lauren has presented in numerous professional and academic settings, including the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics, Florida Public Health Association Annual Educational Conference, and the Meals On Wheels America Annual Conference. Before joining TBNEH, Lauren was the Director of Programs and Partners for Meals On Wheels of Tampa. She holds previous staff and volunteer positions tasked with solving hunger with University of South Florida, James A Haley Veterans Hospital, Trinity Cafe and Berliner Tafel. She earned her Masters in Public Health from the University of South Florida and a B.A. degree in Anthropology and International Studies, Global Health from the University of Iowa.

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Bread for the World



Bread for the World is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. By changing policies, programs, and conditions that allow hunger and poverty to persist, we provide help and opportunity at home and far beyond where we live. Bread equips people to write personal letters and emails, meet with their members of Congress, and to work with others to end hunger. Working through churches, campuses, and other organizations, we engage people in organized advocacy. Learn more at www.Bread.org.



Florence French Fagan is the Florida Regional Organizer for Bread for the World. Florence is a native New Yorker who graduated from Saint John's University with a degree in Business Management. In 2013, Florence moved away from the private sector and began her career in the non-profit world as an Organizer with Enroll America and the Get Covered America campaign for the south Florida region. In 2015, Florence became the Regional Director with Enroll America for south FL and introduced the Affordable Healthcare Act. In 2017, Florence joined Bread for the World as State Regional Organizer for Florida. Since joining Bread for the World, Florence has strengthened the Bread teams in Orlando and Miami and has formed new Bread teams in Jacksonville and Tampa.

Florida Impact



Florida Impact's mission for the last four decades has been dedicated to securing economic justice in Florida by reducing hunger and poverty. We mobilize communities to increase access to federal food, nutrition, and other economic support programs through strategic program outreach, technical assistance and advocacy. We work to optimize these resources in the hands of community-based nonprofits serving at-risk children. Florida Impact also has a history of successfully advocating for policy changes, including the mandate for statewide School Breakfast Programs and changes to Summer Nutrition programs to locate food sites closer to kids in need. Other advocacy and policy work successes have involved assistance to homeless families, affordable housing, food stamps for legal immigrants, transportation funding for food banks, and establishment of the food stamp hotline. Learn more at www.Floridalmpact.org.



Trudy Novicki is the President and CEO of Florida Impact to End Hunger. She has been leading the statewide anti-hunger organization since January 2017. Trudy has spent the majority of her career advocating for children. As a Chief Assistant State Attorney in Miami- Dade County from 1985 to 2003, she supervised the Child Abuse and Forensic Interview Units. As Executive Director of Kristi House, the Child Advocacy Center in Miami-Dade County, from 2003 to 2014, Trudy continued to advocate for those children without a voice. In 2012 she was awarded the Advocate of the Year Award from the Florida Children and Youth Cabinet in Tallahassee for her work, and in 2014 she was named one of 10 global recipients of the C10 Award for Entrepreneurial Leadership in Sweden. Trudy served on the adjunct faculty of the University Of Miami Law School and was a member of the faculty of Florida International University School of Social Work.

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8:30 am — 9:00 am – Log-On / Networking

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9:15 am — 10:15 am – Addressing Child Hunger during COVID-19

Jeremy Everett, Baylor Collaborative on Hunger and Poverty

10:30 am— 11:30 am BREAKOUT SESSIONS #1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E

1A: Garden Strategies for Urban Agriculture

Kitty Wallace, Coalition of Community Gardens Lena Young Green, Coalition of Community Gardens Moderator: Mindy Murphy, The Spring of Tampa Bay

1B: Cultivating Resilient Food Systems in a Time of Pandemics

Ann Steensland, Global Programs Office of the Virginia Tech College of Agriculture and Life Sciences Moderator: Trudy Novicki, Florida Impact to End Hunger

1C: Adapting school meal programs during the COVID pandemic: Perspectives & parallels from a global context in the Republic of Congo & a US context in Orlando, Florida

Jean-Martin Bauer, World Food Programme, Congo-Brazzaville Mariam Mengistie, St. Lukes United Methodist Church Moderator: Tanuja Rastogi, Bread for the World

1D: Federal, State and Local Response Efforts to the COVID-19 Pandemic

Mikhail Scott, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Ellen Vollinger, Food Research & Action Center Moderator: Arianne Corbett, Leading Health

1E: Helping Seniors and Homebound Access Food and More During COVID-19

Mark Adler, *Meals on Wheels South Florida*Erika Kelly, Meals on Wheels America
Steve King, *Meals On Wheels of Tampa*Moderator: Shaina Bent, *St. Petersburg Free Clinic*

11:50 am—12:50 pm BREAKOUT SESSIONS #2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2E

2A: Agri-food Humanitarian Supply Chain Resilience during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Elizabeth Dunn, College of Public Health, University of South Florida Ashley Hydrick, College of Public Health, University of South Florida

2B: Unlocking Opportunities for Local Food Entrepreneurs During COVID-19

Daniel Mitchell, Pasco Economic Development Council, East Pasco Entrepreneur Center Moderator: Trudy Novicki, Florida Impact to End Hunger

2C: The Impact of COVID-19 on Africa's Food Security: Policy Responses for a United Continent

Faustine Wabwire, Global Development Policy

Moderator: Florence French Fagan, Bread for the World

2D: Towards a Measure of Household Food Security Resilience in the United States

Eric Calloway, *Gretchen Swanson Center for Nutrition* Moderator: Richa Bisht, *USF Morsani*

2E: The Impact of COVID-19 on Childhood Hunger

Arianne Corbett, *Leading Health* Joshua Proffitt, *No Kid Hungry*

Moderator: Shaina Bent, St. Petersburg Free Clinic

1:10 pm — 2:10 pm – Power of Networks: Navigating food relief during the Pandemic

Srishti Jain, Feeding India

2:10 pm — 2:15 pm – Day one closing remarks



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2020

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Craig Gundersen, University of Illinois

10:30 am — 11:30 am - Breakout Sessions #3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E

3A: Florida's Food System and Issues in Policy

Dell deChant, University of South Florida Katie Williams, Florida Impact to End Hunger

3B: Farm Share COVID-19 Relief Efforts

Stephen Shelley, Farm Share

Moderator: Theresa Jones, City of St. Pete

3C: Bringing a Positive Change in the Lives of Smallholder Farmers

Shashikant Bhende, *The Mosaic Company* Moderator: Arianne Corbett, Leading Health

3D: Part I Race Equity & Policy - Racial Wealth Gap Learning Simulation

Florence French Fagan, Bread for the World

3E: The Impact of COVID-19 on Hunger, Health, and Healthcare Systems in

Our Communities

Lisa Bell, BayCare Health System

Kimberly Williams, AdventHealth Carrollwood

Moderator: Shaina Bent, St. Petersburg Free Clinic

11:50 am — 12:50 pm - Breakout Sessions #4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E

4A: Vegetable Gardening in Florida: Why now is the time to grow your own food

Amanda Streets, Living Roots Eco Design

4B: Solving Hunger through Social Enterprise

Eleanor Saunders, ECHO

Moderator: Shaina Bent, St. Petersburg Free Clinic

4C: Part II Race Equity - Undoing Racism Applying the Racial Equity Lens

to Programs and Policy

Marlysa Gamblin, Bread for the World

4D: Meals on the Go: Innovation and Scaling During COVID19

Mandy Cloninger, Feeding Tampa Bay

Katie Williams, Florida Impact to End Hunger

4E: The Impact of COVID-19 on Immigrant Farmworkers

Margarita Romo, Farmworkers Self-Help

Moderator: Arianne Corbett, Leading Health

12:50 pm — 1:00 pm – Event closing remarks



MISSION To end hunger in Tampa Bay by bringing people together to find solutions that eliminate barriers, increase access and knowledge, and expand the amount of nutritious food available.

VISION To build a hunger-free community with access to nutritious food for all.





Welcome to the **2020 Sunshine Summit to End Hunger**

Understanding the Global Effects of COVID-19 on Food Systems & the Local Effects on Emergency Feeding Efforts

Dear Friends,

You are not alone.

Over the next two days, that will be our primary message. As leaders from across the world, we know that our missions and our work provide us with an opportunity and obligation to take up the challenges surrounding this year's theme: The Global Effects of COVID-19 on Food Systems and Local Effects on Emergency Feeding Efforts. That's why events like the Sunshine Summit are so important. They can help us all learn to better understand the role each of us play in supporting our communities in the most challenging times.

The 2020 Summit is a forum where frustrations are shared and solutions unfold. Participants and presenters include educators, people just starting to serve, and those who have spent decades fighting hunger in their communities here in the USA and across the globe.

Keynote, plenary and breakout sessions will be presented by local, national, and global leaders in hunger and food relief. Our speakers and panelists will provide organizers and the broader anti-hunger community a forum for sharing solutions that ultimately increase food security.

You are here because people need you. We come from different perspectives, but we all know the profound impact of hunger. This is a time to nourish

your mind and heart.

You are here today because you are hungry, too. Your desire to help others piloted you to your profession and brought you to this forum. Be inspired by local, national and international leaders in the anti-hunger community and engage in energizing discussions.

We come together because we believe that together we can transform hunger in our communities.

Thank you for joining us!

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Maggie Rogers
Board Chair
Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger



Maggie Rogers is the TBNEH Chair and Interim Executive Director of Catholic Charities, servicing a 5 county area: Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Citrus, and Hernando. She oversees all affordable housing developments, immigration department, refugees department, self-

sufficiency programs, rental assistance, and homeless programs.

Join us on Facebook throughout the event!

Have questions? Want to share what you have learned? Looking to meet others in your field? Start connecting today with attendees on our Facebook event page! Visit our 2020 Sunshine Summit to End Hunger event page to post your thoughts and to connect with others at http://bit.ly/SSEHfacebook

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ADDRESSING CHILD HUNGER DURING COVID-19

Jeremy Everett, Executive Director at the Baylor University Collaborative on Hunger and Poverty, will discuss creative ways organizations are developing scalable, multi-sectoral responses to addressing child food insecurity and how we might improve conditions for families moving forward.



Jeremy Everett is the founder and executive director of the Baylor Collaborative on Hunger and Poverty. The Collaborative integrates research and practice through projects such as: the Texas Hunger Initiative, the Research Fellows program, the Global Hunger and Migration project, and the Hunger Data Lab among others. Prior to launching the Collaborative, in 2009 Everett founded and served as the executive director of the Texas Hunger Initiative (THI), a capacity-building, anti-hunger project within Baylor University. THI partners with federal and

state agencies, and numerous faith- and community-based organizations to develop and implement strategies to alleviate hunger through research, policy analysis, education, and community organizing. The Collaborative's seven regional offices have assisted local community efforts increasing hundreds of millions of additional meals to Texans since 2009. Additionally, the team has consulted with more than 40 other states on implementation strategies. Prior to THI, Jeremy worked for international and community development organizations as a teacher, religious leader, community organizer, and farmer. He frequently delivers presentations to churches, non-profit organizations, universities, and the government sector about hunger and poverty. Jeremy earned a bachelor's degree from Samford University and a Master of Divinity from Baylor University. Jeremy is a Next Generation Fellow of the University of Texas LBJ School's Strauss Center for International Security and Law, a Senior Fellow with World Hunger Relief, Inc., and was appointed by U.S. Congress to serve on the National Commission on Hunger. Jeremy is married to Amy Miley Everett. They have three sons: Lucas, Sam, and Wyatt.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29 10:30AM-11:30AM BREAKOUT SESSIONS #1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E

1A: GARDEN STRATEGIES FOR URBAN AGRICULTURE

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Kitty Wallace, Coalition of Community Gardens Lena Young Green, Coalition of Community Gardens Moderator: Mindy Murphy, The Spring of Tampa Bay

The Coalition of Community Gardens, in collaboration with the City of Tampa and the Hillsborough Soil & Water Conservation District has developed the Garden Strategies for Urban Agriculture for Hillsborough County to expand accessibility. Utilizing 5 urban clusters to expand production and increased access to local produce from garden markets. BENEFIT: Through the eyes of a pandemic we have seen the challenges of maintaining the current system of producing and delivering food to our community. By establishing gardens that support a local system to increase production and accessibility we support all citizens but especially those who experience food insecurity.

1B: CULTIVATING RESILIENT FOOD SYSTEMS IN A TIME OF PANDEMICS

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87683606279

Ann Steensland, Global Programs Office of Virginia Tech College of Agriculture & Life Sciences Moderator: Trudy Novicki, Florida Impact to End Hunger

COVID-19 is testing the capacities of our global food systems and increasing resilience has never been more urgent. Research has identified three capabilities that are central to resilience in agricultural production and food systems. The capacity to absorb the impact and cope with the immediate problems with minimal negative outcomes. The capacity to adapt during a crisis by changing management practices to minimize the impacts. The capacity to transform systems to prevent and prepare for future crises. This presentation will present insights on how COVID-19 has challenged our food systems, and describes steps that can be taken to cultivate resilience.

1C: ADAPTING SCHOOL MEAL PROGRAMS DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC: PERSPECTIVES & PARALLELS FROM A GLOBAL CONTEXT IN THE REPUBLIC OF CONGO & A US CONTEXT IN ORLANDO, FLORIDA

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Jean-Martin Bauer, World Food Programme, Congo-Brazzaville Mariam Mengistie, St. Lukes United Methodist Church Moderator: Tanuja Rastogi, Bread for the World

In March 2020, as a measure to limit the spread of the Covid-19 pandemic, all schools were closed in the Republic of Congo, and thus the school canteens also had to stop. The crisis led to the deterioration of food security and nutrition indicators at the national level, particularly in urban areas where vulnerabilities have increased. The national education working group has expressed concern that the pandemic has led to an acute nutrition and educational gap. Learn how the World Food Programme responded and what the future looks like.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29 10:30AM-11:30AM BREAKOUT SESSIONS #1A, 1B, 1C, 1D, 1E

1D: FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL RESPONSE EFFORTS TO THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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Mikhail Scott, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services Ellen Vollinger, Food Research & Action Center Moderator: Arianne Corbett, Leading Health

The COVID-19 pandemic has shaken the US food system and exacerbated underling issues of food insecurity and hunger. Throughout the pandemic, federal, state and local agencies have had to adapt quickly to a changing food landscape to support children, families and seniors that have been impacted by this crisis. Ellen Vollinger, Legal Director for the Food Research & Action Center, and Mikhail Scott, Strategic Partnerships Coordinator with the Florida Department of Agriculture, will share key insights into the Federal and State response efforts to the COVID-19 crisis and provide an outlook on what's next to support our communities as we fight to overcome this pandemic.

1E: HELPING SENIORS AND HOMEBOUND ACCESS FOOD AND MORE DURING COVID-19

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Mark Adler, *Meals on Wheels South Florida*Erika Kelly, Meals on Wheels America
Steve King, *Meals On Wheels of Tampa*Moderator: Shaina Bent, *St. Petersburg Free Clinic*

COVID-19 triggered a wave of unprecedented demand in the Sunshine State as tens of thousands more older adults suddenly became homebound and congregate dining centers shifted to delivery and pick-up options. As a result, Meals on Wheels programs across our state are serving more meals, to more people and with new delivery methods and processes in place. This session will examine the impact of COVID-19 at the national, state and local levels, as well as explore topics such as social isolation, funding and resource constraints, partnerships, leadership and more.







Every year we waste over \$165 Billion in food...

Image from Meals On Wheels America.



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29 11:50AM-12:50PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS #2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2E

2A: AGRI-FOOD HUMANITARIAN SUPPLY CHAIN RESILIENCE DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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Elizabeth Dunn, College of Public Health, University of South Florida Ashley Hydrick, College of Public Health, University of South Florida

The COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) pandemic poses an urgent threat to the U.S. food supply chain and humanitarian operations with impacts ranging from the agricultural sector to local retail and non-profit organizations dedicated to getting food to those most in need. These entities work to cope with a new set of challenges due to COVID-19. The purpose of our research is to improve understanding of our community food systems in Hillsborough County by identifying challenges, systems failures, opportunities, and innovative strategies concerning food production, distribution, retail, and community access during this pandemic. In this ongoing study, USF students, faculty, and partners engage



key stakeholders in semi-structured interviews to gain insights on current perspectives regarding supply chain resiliency, impacts on operations, existing levels of preparedness, and tested innovative practices. Review of these experiences will improve future mitigation and preparedness practices and build more resilient agri-food humanitarian operations during disaster events. During this session, we will be sharing our study methods and progress along with a preliminary view of our findings.

2B: UNLOCKING OPPORTUNITIES FOR LOCAL FOOD ENTREPRENEURS DURING COVID-19

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Daniel Mitchell, Pasco Economic Development Council, East Pasco Entrepreneur Center Moderator: Trudy Novicki, Florida Impact to End Hunger

Global disruption has caused mass problems on a local scale. Local problems need precise solutions. Entrepreneurship, by definition, allows local risk-takers to provide solutions based on real-time supply and demand issues. In this breakout session, we'll discuss how to identify and unlock opportunities for your local entrepreneurial ecosystem to do well by doing good and solve our very local problems, caused by this very global disruption. Topics discussed: cottage food business, commercial kitchen incubators, identifying potential business ideas and finding entrepreneurs to meet the need, encouraging local stakeholders to provide flexibility and resources to allow new businesses to move quickly in addressing changing needs.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29 11:50AM-12:50PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS #2A, 2B, 2C, 2D, 2E

2C: THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON AFRICA'S FOOD SECURITY: POLICY RESPONSES FOR A UNITED CONTINENT

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86895217774

Faustine Wabwire, Global Development Policy Moderator: Florence French Fagan, Bread for the World

The presenter of this workshop will speak from her personal capacity and focus on what African governments and partners are doing to respond to the effects of COVID.

2D: TOWARDS A MEASURE OF HOUSEHOLD FOOD SECURITY RESILIENCE IN THE UNITED STATES

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89867540611

Eric Calloway, Gretchen Swanson Center for Nutrition Moderator: Richa Bisht, University of South Florida, Morsani College of Medicine

Social-ecological resilience is defined as a system's ability to absorb a disturbance and remain in the same state, self-organize in response to disturbance, and build and increase capacity after the disturbance. There has been increasing momentum, primarily internationally, to examine the household as a system and develop measures to assess a household's resilience to financial shocks that might otherwise lead to food insecurity. We at the Gretchen Swanson Center for Nutrition are currently conducting a measurement development project to address measurement gaps related to food security -- one of those gaps being Household Food Security Resilience. In this breakout session we will cover the background and recent progress made internationally, as well as describe our own project and preliminary findings.

2E: THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON CHILDHOOD HUNGER

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Arianne Corbett, *Leading Health* Joshua Proffitt, *No Kid Hungry*

According to the USDA, more than 11 million children in the United States live in "food insecure" homes. That phrase may sound mild, but it means that those households don't have enough food for every family member to lead a healthy life. And that number dates from before the coronavirus pandemic. Today, projections show that 18 million children could face hunger this year. Learn how childhood hunger has been impacted by COVID-19, what that means for our communities, and discuss innovative solutions.

For 'Day one event closing remarks' go to: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81269117675

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29 1:10PM-2:10PM LUNCH PLENARY

POWER OF NETWORKS - NAVIGATING FOOD RELIEF DURING THE PANDEMIC

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Srishti Jain, Feeding India

Zomato Feeding India organized the largest food relief effort during the lockdown due to Covid-19 pandemic. At a time when the country's usual systems were blocked, mobility restricted and supply-chains jammed, Zomato Feeding India was the first organization, even before the government, to initiate food relief efforts. The campaign aimed to provide daily wagers and their families with a reliable supply of meals in the absence of employment opportunities and to support them through the lockdown.



Ms. Srishti Jain is the co-founder of Zomato Feeding India, one of the largest nonprofits solving hunger in the world. Today Zomato Feeding India works with thousands of volunteers across 180+ cities and has served millions of meals to people in need to food-insecure people such as children, women, elderly and specially-abled. Srishti is a key spokesperson on several topics including social entrepreneurship, youth action, food insecurity and also serve as active Board of Advisors for organizations and foundations both nationally and internationally.

Feeding India is the winner of several prestigious awards - including the Queens Young Leader award from her majesty Queen of England, are 1 of 17 United Nations Young Leader for SDGs, Forbes 30 under 30 Honouree, TED India speaker with Shah Rukh Khan, National Youth Award India by PM Modi, and listed as one of GQ's 50 Most Influential Young Indians to watch out for among others. Personally, Srishti considers herself a full time foodie and a part time baker. She is passionate about fighting for women rights and climate change among other causes.





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FOOD INSECURITY BEFORE, DURING, & AFTER COVID-19: WHAT CAN BE DONE?

Craig Gundersen, Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics, University of Illinois

The COVID-19 pandemic has drawn extensive attention to the problem of food insecurity in the United States. Nevertheless, long before COVID-19, food insecurity has posed a grave challenge to tens of millions of Americans. In this presentation I provide an overview of the food insecurity landscape pre-COVID- 19 and how this is likely to change in the near-term. Fortunately, I then turn to a tool – the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP, formerly known as the Food Stamp Program) – that can be leveraged to substantially reduce the magnitude and consequences of food insecurity.



Craig Gundersen is ACES Distinguished Professor and Director of Undergraduate Studies in the Department of Agricultural and Consumer Economics at the University of Illinois, is on the Technical Advisory Group for Feeding America, is the lead researcher on Feeding America's Map the Meal Gap project, and is the Managing Editor for *Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy*. He is also a Round Table Member of the Farm Foundation, a Non-Resident Senior Fellow at the Chicago Council on Global Affairs, and a Faculty Affiliate of the Wilson Sheehan Lab for

Economic Opportunities (LEO) at the University of Notre Dame. His research concentrates on the causes and consequences of food insecurity and on the evaluation of food assistance programs, with an emphasis on SNAP.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30 10:30AM-11:30AM BREAKOUT SESSIONS #3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E

3A: FLORIDA'S FOOD SYSTEM AND ISSUES IN POLICY

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Dell deChant, *University of South Florida* Moderator: Katie Williams, *Florida Impact to End Hunger*

This presentation will comment on Florida's food system and issues in policy. The presentation will contextualize the state's food system relative to the global system and America's cultural norms. It will engage the role of policy as both an active and passive force in shaping attitudes and actions related to food production, distribution, and consumption. Issues related to policy will be considered, including how policy is developed and by whom, and to what extent food policy can be considered both an individual and community action. Overarching themes of the presentation will be food justice and sovereignty, sustainability, and our ecological crisis.

3B: FARM SHARE COVID-19 RELIEF EFFORTS

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Stephen Shelley, Farm Share Moderator: Theresa Jones, City of St. Pete

Stephen will discuss how there are currently two pandemics in Florida: COVID-19 and food insecurity. The presentation will include his experience working to provide food for those fighting food insecurities before and during COVID-19 and how the pandemic has increased the need for food nonprofits. From March to the end of September, Farm Share distributed more than 78 million pounds of food, compared to typically distributing 104 million pounds of food per year. He will also share an overview of the work Farm Share has accomplished by working with Florida leaders, farmers, and volunteers. The presentation will conclude with a call to action for others to help with the fight food-insecure Floridians. Other key points include: Supply, disruption inflow of food during the pandemic; Retail and farmer supply and demand and how they are connected; The impact the pandemic has had on Farm Share and how Farm Share has responded; and What's happening now and how we are serving Floridians.



FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30 10:30AM-11:30AM BREAKOUT SESSIONS #3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E

3C: BRINGING A POSITIVE CHANGE IN THE LIVES OF SMALLHOLDER FARMERS

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Shashikant Bhende, *The Mosaic Company*Moderator: Arianne Corbett, *Leading Health*

Krishi Jyoti project or "enlightened agriculture," is a joint effort of the Mosaic Company Foundation, Mosaic India Pvt Ltd and S M Sehgal Foundation, that is aligned with the Sustainable Development Goal 2 of achieving Zero Hunger. The partnership between these two organizations is based on shared guiding principles and concerns for the smallholder farmers of India. The Mosaic Company (NYSE: MOS) is the world's leading integrated producer and marketer of concentrated phosphate and potash and is a fortune 500 brand. Mosaic is a prominent crop nutrient company that has embraced CSR as one of its key governance policies. The company has adopted a "triple bottom line" that includes earnings, environmental protection, and social justice, and its work is consistent with these ideals. Krishi Jyoti project aims to build capacities of farmers to increase farm productivity and promotes water conservation to achieve greater food security in the Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh. Krishi Jyoti also promotes education among children in villages by renovating school infrastructure in government schools.

3D: PART I RACE EQUITY & POLICY - RACIAL WEALTH GAP LEARNING SIMULATION

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83050421255

Florence French Fagan, Bread for the World

The simulation guides participants to an understanding of why racial equity is so important to ending hunger and poverty in the United States. Our hope is that participants, in becoming more aware of structural inequality, can support policies that undo and/or reduce disparities. Be sure to sign up for Part II "Race Equity - Undoing Racism Applying the Racial Equity Lens to Programs and Policy."

3E: THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON HUNGER, HEALTH, AND HEALTHCARE SYSTEMS IN OUR COMMUNITIES

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89624026423

Lisa Bell, *BayCare Health System*Kimberly Williams, *AdventHealth Carrollwood*Moderator: Shaina Bent, *St. Petersburg Free Clinic*

The irrefutable link between hunger and health will be discussed by local experts in the field. Learn firsthand from healthcare providers about the impact COVID-19 has had on their healthcare systems and the health of our communities.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30 11:50AM-12:50PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS #4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E

4A: VEGETABLE GARDENING IN FLORIDA: WHY NOW IS THE TIME TO GROW YOUR OWN FOOD

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86185586933

Amanda Streets, Living Roots Eco Design

There's nothing better than fresh, crisp lettuce or vine ripened tomatoes... You can be a successful gardener, even in Florida! We will unpack some of the common problems that Florida vegetable gardeners face and some simple solutions, and learn how to take advantage of Florida's year round growing seasons (even the hot summer months!)



4B: SOLVING HUNGER THROUGH SOCIAL ENTERPRISE

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84910516443

Eleanor Saunders, ECHO

Moderator: Shaina Bent, St. Petersburg Free Clinic

The term social enterprise is showing up everywhere. Join me as we answer the questions: What exactly is it? Is it right for my organization? Do I have what it takes to be a social entrepreneur? What resources are out there to help me? What are the pitfalls to avoid? Who should be on my team? This will be an interactive workshop with practical take aways.

4C: PART II RACE EQUITY - UNDOING RACISM APPLYING THE RACIAL EQUITY LENS TO PROGRAMS AND POLICY

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82464973102

Marlysa Gamblin, Bread for the World

Part II Race Equity - Undoing Racism Applying the Racial Equity Lens to Programs and Policy" will be an interactive workshop that equips participants with the next step of what is needed to address racism—racial equity. Participants will learn what racial equity is and walk through the "Racial Equity Policy Scorecard"— a practical tool develop by Bread for the World Institute to help them rate how well policies are promoting racial equity. Participants will then have a chance to rate various COVID-19 responses efforts using the tool, and hear about racially equitable responses to address food insecurity during COVID-19, that is featured in an upcoming report from Bread for the World Institute.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30 11:50AM-12:50PM BREAKOUT SESSIONS #4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E

4D: MEALS ON THE GO: INNOVATION AND SCALING DURING COVID19

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81216904392

Mandy Cloninger, Feeding Tampa Bay Moderator: Katie Williams, Florida Impact to End Hunger

Learn how Feeding Tampa Bay & Trinity Café's meals on the go change lives one meal at time. These programs provide a healthy, nutritious reheatable meal for families, children and seniors at a low cost, thereby improving the health and capability of those they serve. The production of these meals helps our community by training neighbors who have experienced barriers to employment learn culinary arts skills, earn a certification and ultimately, gain an income through employment. Learn how they have been able to help employ furloughed restaurant workers and scale production while maintaining a low cost of \$2/meal during the COVID-19 response. While this effort has been charitable and the meals have been provided free of charge, they have the opportunity to utilize the framework of potential customers that have been developed including seniors, low-income housing residents as well as the significant supporters of FTB as potential customers to launch this as a sustainable social enterprise.

4E: THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON IMMIGRANT FARMWORKERS

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88389839582

Margarita Romo, Farmworkers Self-Help Moderator: Arianne Corbett, Leading Health

An estimated two to three million farmworkers are employed throughout the United States and 1.2 billion across the globe. Farmworkers feed the world through their labor, bringing fruits, vegetables and other crops to homes across the nation. Their work is critical, yet earn poverty wages, work under substandard conditions and face a myriad of health and other issues due to their living and employment conditions. Given this reality and the onset of the global COVID-19 pandemic, learn about the unique health considerations and welfare of the farmworker community, their families and the security of our entire food supply.

For 'Event closing remarks' go to: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85498307928

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Mark Adler has been a part of the Meals on Wheels team for 10 years, and has been Executive Director for 8 years. Mark has served as the President of Meals on Wheels Florida since 2015. He brings his 30+ years' experience in a broad and diverse background in non-profit management to the vision of ending hunger across all ages with kindness, dignity and compassion. If you want a bit more.....After receiving his Bachelor's Degree in International Relations at University of California, and his secondary degree in Political Science from

L'Universite de Grenoble in France, Mark returned to San Diego for his Master's Degree in Public Health Administration. Throughout and after his academic experience, Mark continued his career in diverse roles in non-profit public health management serving as Senior Vice President of Planned Parenthood of South Palm Beach and Broward Counties, Regional Health Planner for the Peace Corps in Guyana, South America, and as Executive Director for Sunshine Social Services in South Florida.



Jean-Martin Bauer is the Director of the UN World Food Programme's office in the Republic of Congo, were, over the past three years he has led the response to displacement, refugee arrivals and catastrophic flooding. Under his leadership, WFP Congo has also worked to bolster local food systems, including the neglected cassava value chain. A-20 year UN veteran, Jean-Martin holds degrees from the London School of Economics and the Harvard Kennedy School. When they are not overseas, Jean-Martin, his spouse and 3 children live in a small town in West Virginia.



Lisa Bell leads the Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) and Community Benefit work across the 15 hospitals in the BayCare Health System; the largest health system in the Tampa Bay region. Prior to being recruited into her position Lisa led similar work for SSM Health in Madison, WI. Madison presented unique opportunities for Lisa to hone her public health practice, work with the Population Health experts at the University of Wisconsin Population Health Institute, engage in state and local advocacy efforts to address health disparities and develop multidisciplinary collaborations to better drive health improvement

through collective impact and community engagement. In her current role Lisa is responsible for fiscal oversight and impact of CHNA Implementation Plans in excess of \$41m annually. Lisa is Co-Chair of the Florida Hospital Association Community Benefit Workgroup. She also provided primary leadership in the development of a four-county collaborative of hospitals and Department of Health partners; All4HealthFL. Lisa held an Adjunct Faculty appointment at the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health from 2008-2015 and since 2010 has held an Adjunct Faculty position with St. Petersburg College. Lisa received a Bachelor's Degree in Dental Hygiene; and a Master Degree in Public Health from A.T. Still University in Mesa, AZ graduating Summa Cum Laude and the first inductee into the University's Public Health Honor Society.



Shaina Bent currently serves as Chief Operations of St. Petersburg Free Clinic. Shaina has established a reputation in her community as a prominent advocate in the fight against hunger. She is a proven leader and excels at bringing individual and groups together to find and implement solutions. Shaina is a non-profit expert with experience-filled years of team leadership, management, program development and expansion, relationship building, fundraising, and events. She possesses a unique background of training and experience in

management, non-profits, and the legal field. Shaina attended Texas A&M University and earned her bachelor's degree in Business Administration before earning her J.D. at Washington University School of Law in St. Louis. She is licensed to practice law in Florida and before the Supreme Court of the United States. Shaina is driven by her desire to resolve the inequities and injustice that so many members in her community face. She believes that no person, especially no child, should go hungry and works tirelessly to find a solution to end hunger. Bent was selected as Chair of the Juvenile Welfare Board of Pinellas County's Childhood Hunger Initiative. Additionally, she has served as a member of the Board of Directors of Gulfcoast Legal Services since 2015, and served as President of their board from 2017-2019.



Dr. Shashikant Namdeorao Bhende did his Bachelor's degree B.Sc. in 2000 and M.Sc. in 2002 from Dr. Panjabrao Deshmukh Agricultural University, Maharashtra, India. He did is Ph.D. from Mahatma Phule Agricultural University in 2006 and Post Graduate Diploma in Marketing from Symbiosis, Maharashtra, India in 2013. He started his career as the Soil Scientist from Soil Science & Agril. Chemistry, Mahatma Phule Agricultural University, Maharashtra in 2004. He has a rich and diverse experience of over 16 years across entire Agri value chain – from New

Product Development, New Market Expansion, Strategic Planning, People Development to working in establishing downstream output linkages. Currently he is serving as General Manager- Agronomy & K-Mag Product Management in Mosaic India Private Limited, India since 2010. He is managing Mosaic India's Corporate Social Responsibility initiative, "Krishi Jyoti (Mosaic Village Project)"; in Mewat area of Haryana & Rajasthan focusing on Agriculture, Water & Education in India. He was a Manager, Research and Development at Deepak Fertilizers and Petrochemicals Corporation Limited, Pune, India from 2006 to 2010. Worked extensively in West, North, Central & South India with deep insights of challenges and opportunities of Indian farmers and channel partners. Experience of working in global environment and good insights of agriculture ecosystem in USA, Canada, Brazil, Europe, Indonesia, Malaysia, Israel & Australia. Exceptional collaborator with skills of working in a cross functional environment ranging from sales & marketing to other support functions as commercial and risk management. He has presented 40+ papers in International/ National/State level Seminar/Symposia. He has been the member of many National committees. He has been awarded as 'Presidential Award for Commercial Excellence' in The Mosaic Company and own many service awards during his career.



Richa Bisht is a second-year medical student at the University of South Florida Morsani College of Medicine. For the past two years, she has worked with local community partners to teach youth from low-income backgrounds about nutrition, sustainability, and plant-based eating through a program called "Kids' Kitchen." She is passionate about community health and expanding access to healthcare for our most vulnerable populations.



Eric Calloway graduated from the University of Texas with a Ph.D. in Behavioral Nutrition. He is currently a Research Scientist at the Gretchen Swanson Center for Nutrition (GSCN), a non-profit nutrition research institute based in Omaha, NE. His primary research interests include investigating the relationship between socioeconomic/policy factors and dietary quality, food insecurity, and health disparities. Throughout his work at GSCN, he has studied and worked on a broad range of public health topics/projects including measurement development, program evaluation, federal food assistance programs, healthy food access/food insecurity, health

disparities, community engagement, policy advocacy, and environmental justice.



Mandy Cloninger, CFRE, serves as Chief Impact Officer for Feeding Tampa Bay. She is an accomplished fund raiser, nonprofit thought leader and accomplished speaker with almost 20 years of experience in community-based nonprofits, higher education and health care. She is passionate about social justice and mission work both internationally and at home. Cloninger led Trinity Cafe, a charitable restaurant, to win the Bank of America Neighborhood Builders Award in 2015, fully funding the organization's expansion to a second location and doubling

the number of meals produced to help end hunger. She identified the opportunity for growth and expansion under a nationwide brand and led the organization to merge with Feeding Tampa Bay in 2019. This year the charitable restaurant is on track to open its third location, produce more than half a million meals in response to the COVID19 pandemic and launch its social enterprise, Meals on the Go.



Arianne Corbett is President of Leading Health, LLC with more than a decade of experience in food and nutrition policy, health promotion and advocacy. As a consultant, Arianne works primarily on efforts to improve children's access to healthy, high-quality food in schools and early care and education settings. Arianne supports Share Our Strength's No Kid Hungry campaign in the Tampa Bay region and also serves as Senior Policy Analyst for the Tampa Bay Network to End Hunger. Prior to forming her consulting company, she managed public health

and nutrition advocacy efforts for the Center for Science in the Public Interest and School Nutrition Association. Arianne is a Registered Dietitian and holds a Bachelor of Science in Food Science and Human Nutrition from the University of Florida.



Dell deChant is Board Member of the Florida Food Policy Council, Associate Chair of the Department of Religious Studies at the University of South Florida, author of four books and numerous articles. His research focus includes agrarianism and food sovereignty. He is Chair of the New Port Richey Environmental Committee and Convener of the USF Food Sovereignty Group.



Dany Dobner is a fitness butterfly. Being in the industry for over 15 years, she has built a reputation as master trainer for HIIT and jumping fitness concepts and loves to motivate her clients to grow out of their comfort zone and into their powerful light. Her passion for fitness and health spreads like a wildfire of positivity around her wherever she goes and resembles in her slogan: LIVE - LOVE - INSPIRE — CREATE. Working as personal trainer worldwide, Dany is used to inspiring her clients in one-on-one sessions to create a healthier and happier lifestyle.

Fitness is essential for everybody. We are longing to feel happy and good with ourselves. Dany's mission is: Reshaping the culture of fitness. Key aspects to a great training are fun, motivation, and knowledge. As master trainer (Urban Heroes Hamburg, bellicon Jumping Fitness), cycling enthusiast (Ride Berlin, Hicycle Hamburg), online instructor (Gymondo, Cyberobics), nutrition and athletic coach she is passionate about functional training, wellbeing, and a great portion of fun in her workouts. Feel warmly welcome to attend a short 3-5 min session with Dany during the 2020 Sunshine Summit. Stretching is as fundamental as the whole workout to regain energy, to ease up on the muscle tension, and to let the body take that moment to breathe. A short stretching & mobility session throughout a tough workday is a pure blessing for the body. In her session, Dany will provide exercises that help to activate the blood circulation and prevent stiffness and fatigue. It can be easily done in your work clothes and even sitting on your chair. Your body will thank you for it. Visit www.dany-dobner.com to learn more.



Elizabeth A. Dunn, MPH, CPH (eadunn2@usf.edu) is an Instructor at the USF College of Public Health (COPH) where she has taught courses in disaster management, humanitarian relief, and homeland security since 2012. Outside of teaching, the focus of her practical work and research involves examining and evaluating disaster management systems, hurricane sheltering, humanitarian logistics and supply chain disruptions, and addressing inequities centered around social vulnerability during disasters. Her current research related to the COVID-19 pandemic includes agri-food supply chain resilience, policy and decision making for

high education institutions, hurricane evacuation decision-making and sheltering, and future allocation of vaccines for underserved populations. Elizabeth serves as the Chair of the Hillsborough County Local Mitigation Strategy Working Group, and the Lead for the FEMA Higher Education Service-Learning and Leadership Special Interest Group.



Florence French Fagan is the Florida Regional Organizer for Bread for the World. (A complete bio can be found earlier in the program.)



Marlysa D. Gamblin is a dynamic public speaker, a racial equity coach, and a thoughtful researcher. She has gone, and continues to go, around the country to speak on these issues, share the tools that she has designed, and encourage people, churches, and non-profits to justice and racial equity. Currently, Marlysa is the founder of GamblinConsults, a racial equity consulting company. Through her 6 week course, "Life-Changing Practices to Identify and Dismantle Racism in 45 Days," she helps Christians develop a 3 month plan to address racism in their personal life, work life, and in their church. Marlysa is the Senior Domestic Policy

Advisor for Racial and Gender Divides at Bread for the World Institute. Though this role, she founded the Racial Equity and Hunger National Learning Network, a national network that helps anti-hunger and poverty organizations learn how to promote racial equity in their internal and external work. At Bread, Marlysa's expertise is providing research and analysis to close the racial and gender hunger and income divides. Marlysa has designed the Racial Wealth Gap Learning Simulation, an interactive tool that helps people understand how structural racism was created. Marlysa holds her Master in Public Policy from the Harvard Kennedy School of Government and a B.A. with honors from the University of California, Berkeley.



Ashley Hydrick, MPH, DVM, CPH, DACVPM (marie105@usf.edu) is a Public Health Veterinarian working in the Federal Sector. Graduating from Auburn College of Veterinary Medicine in 2012, she practiced clinical veterinary medicine both state-side and overseas for 5 years. She then returned to complete her Master of Public Health (MPH) at the University of South Florida College of Public Health, graduating in May 2020. Ashley has been a passionate advocate for disaster resiliency in her studies, especially as it applies to the community, food security, and the agricultural sector. She recently contributed her chapter, "Agricultural

Emergencies: Factors and Impacts in the Spread of Transboundary Diseases in, and Adjacent to, Agriculture", for publication, and is continuing to work in this area outside of her daily work. Ashley is presenting today as a private citizen.

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Theresa Jones is a native of Erie, Pennsylvania, and is a 1976 graduate of Edinboro State University, in Edinboro, Pennsylvania. And, she's been a resident of Florida since 1976. She is a single mother of a twenty-eight year old son named Rion, and grandmother to 3 year old Adrion. Theresa first began her employment with the City of St. Petersburg as a Relocation Officer in August, 1977, as a temporary employee, whose position was funded through the City's Community Development Block Grant entitlement from U. S. HUD. She previously

served in various management positions at the City prior to assuming the position of Minority Business Enterprise Coordinator in 1986. Following a three-year hiatus as the MBE Coordinator for Tampa General Healthcare, Theresa returned to City government in June 1996, to assume her old position as MBE Coordinator. She continued to serve in this capacity until her promotion to Manager of Business Assistance and assuming the responsibility of operating the City of St. Petersburg Business Development Center. In this role, she was responsible for administration of the City's Small and Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Procurement and Assistance Program, as well as management responsibilities associated with day to day operations of the Business Development Center (now known as the Greenhouse). In October, 2002, Theresa was appointed as the Community Affairs Director for the City of St. Petersburg. Her department was the responsible for enforcing local, County, State and Federal anti-discrimination laws. She also provided oversight for the Committee to Advocate for Persons with Impairments (CAPI), the Civilian Police Review Committee, and the City's Summer Youth Intern Program and Workforce Training Program; which were administered by contracts with outside non-profit organizations. Theresa retired in 2012 after a lengthy public service career; with the City of St. Petersburg. However, she returned to working for the City of St. Petersburg as the Veterans, Homeless and Social Services Manager in early, 2018, after a call from Mayor Rick Kriseman. She has been active in the community in various capacities, including, but not limited to the following: founding member and Secretary, National Forum for Black Public Administrators - Tampa Bay Chapter, Co-Chairperson, Community Alliance, Graduate of Leadership St. Petersburg, President of the National Minority Supplier Development Council (NMSDC) - West Coast Chapter in both 1991 & 1994, and President of the Florida Association of MBE Officials in 1996. And, she has been a Board member for R'Club Child Care, Inc. almost two decades, after joining as a parent representative on the board when her son was in elementary school.



Erika Kelly is the Chief Membership and Advocacy Officer at Meals on Wheels America. In this position, she oversees education and training, grant-making and group discount programs, and all advocacy initiatives designed to support and strengthen the nationwide network of local senior nutrition providers and the individuals they serve. Erika is responsible for developing and assisting State Associations and ensuring overall Membership satisfaction and engagement. Prior to joining Meals on Wheels America in January 2011, Erika worked as a Legislative Assistant for Congressman Ike Skelton of Missouri. Her legislative portfolio on

Capitol Hill focused on hunger, poverty, welfare and human services, education, among others. Erika graduated from Benedictine College in Atchison, Kansas, with a BA in Social Sciences and completed minors in politics, economics, and secondary education.



Steve King is the Executive Director of Meals On Wheels of Tampa. With a heart for the homebound and seniors of our community, Mr. King served as a Pastor in the Tampa Bay area for 25 years prior to coming to serve Meals on Wheels. He is a product of the Tampa Bay area with a Bachelor of Arts from the University of South Florida and a Master of Divinity from Vanderbilt Divinity School.



Mariam Mengistie is the Executive Director of Missions – local and global – at St. Luke's United Methodist Church in Orlando. She oversees one of the six church-wide visions of the church – the Restoring Hope Initiative to reduce family homelessness and childhood hunger. Originally from Ethiopia, Mariam has been an international development practitioner for 30 years starting in her hometown in Addis Ababa and later in Belgium and currently in Orlando, Florida mainly in the areas of alternative grassroots international development practices. She is also spearheading the creation of an Orlando-based network of more than 40

organizations, agencies, businesses and higher education institutions under the Central Florida Alliance to End Hunger. She holds a Masters of Arts degree in Politics of Development Strategies from Erasmus University in the Netherlands. Mariam has two adult daughters and lives with her spouse – a Doctor Without Boarders veteran – in Orlando.



Dan Mitchell, from the Pasco Economic Development Council, is currently the SMARTstart Program Director. Dan works out of the East Pasco Entrepreneur Center in Dade City. He has been coaching individuals and businesses, as well as being an entrepreneur himself, for the past 17 years. Dan currently holds his Bachelor's degree in Business Management with a concentration in Entrepreneurship, from Florida Gulf Coast University, as well as his Certified Financial Planner accreditation.



Mindy Murphy is the president and CEO of The Spring of Tampa Bay.



Trudy Novicki is the President and CEO of Florida Impact to End Hunger. (A complete bio can be found earlier in the program.)



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Joshua Proffitt grew up on a small family farm in Southern Ohio before moving to Kentucky to pursue a degree in Political Science at Berea College. His interest in sustainable agriculture, conservationism and environmental politics grew during this time, which took him to Costa Rica for a semester to study environmental policy, ecotourism and forest conservation. After graduating, Mr. Proffitt joined the Peace Corps in Senegal to implement sustainable agriculture practices and increase food security alongside farmers

and local organizations. He extended his work for another year in that country to aid the efforts of the U.S. Agency for International Development before returning to the United States. Mr. Proffitt spent several years developing and delivering violence prevention trainings and curriculum for middle and high school youth in Cincinnati and later, in Orlando. He also worked in an Orlando Title 1 elementary school developing community partnerships and afterschool mentoring and tutoring programs before returning to food security work as the Program Associate for No Kid Hungry Florida.



Tanuja Rastogi is a Senior Global Nutrition Policy Advisor at Bread for the World where she is on a special two-year secondment providing strategic and policy support for Bread's global child nutrition advocacy campaign. She is a staff member at the UN World Food Programme where she has served in various policy and nutrition roles for over the past 13 years. Tanuja has over 20 years of experience working at the nexus of research, field programs, global policy and advocacy and has a doctorate degree in nutrition from the Harvard School of Public Health. Prior to joining WFP, she held positions at the US

Department of State, National Institutes of Health, and the World Health Organization.



Margarita Romo is the founder and Executive Director of Farmworkers Self-Help, Inc., a grassroots organization organized in 1982 in Dade City, Pasco County, Florida, which facilitates the self-development of farmworkers and other poor, through its programs of education, advocacy, organizing, justice and empowerment and health. She is the only woman directing a farmworker organization in Florida. She organized AWING (Agricultural Women Involved in New Goals), the first farmworker women's organized initiative in Florida, and developed the Norma Godinez Learning Center as well as Mi Otra Casa (My Other

House), our community teen center, designed to address the education needs of farmworkers and other poor and provide an alternative to the gang activities in the northeast section of Pasco County. Through Margarita's vision and efforts, La Casa de Esperanza y Salud (House of Hope and Health), a free clinic for farmworkers, has been in operation at FSH in Dade City since 1994. She was also instrumental in the creation of a farmworker clinic in Gretna, Florida. She has traveled extensively throughout North America and other countries in furtherance of her mission to help improve the quality of life of farmworkers. Margarita has worked during legislative sessions over the years in Tallahassee and Washington to affect passage of laws to improve the quality of lives of farmworkers and other poor. In 2010, Margarita was honored as Hispanic Woman of the Year by the Tampa Hispanic Heritage Foundation. In 2013, she was

selected by Florida Governor Rick Scott to be inducted into the Florida Civil Rights Hall of Fame. In 2014 Margarita was presented with Honorary Degree of Doctor of Humane Letters (St. Leo University) and with the Sapphire Award (Florida Blue Foundation) in 2015 for Recognizing Excellence and Innovation in Community Health.



Eleanor Saunders is the Executive Director of the Emergency Care Help Organization (ECHO). Past achievements include: pioneering the Seeds of Faith Community Garden, directing the Brandon Cold Weather Shelter, and owning a small business. Past employers include: The Children's Home, Junior Achievement, and Bay Life Church. Eleanor was recognized by the Tampa Tribune as a Hometown Hero (2014), as well as Fox 13 (2015). She participated in the Inner City Capital Connections Program (2017) and received a certificate of Entrepreneurship through the Goldman Sachs 10,000 small businesses program (2019). Under her leadership, the

organization has received the Bank of America Neighborhood Builders Grant, placed in the Children's Board Business Plan competition, and won the Social Venture Partners pitch competition. Eleanor is the proud mother of three independent millennials and resides with her husband, Mark, in Brandon, FL.



Mikhail A. Scott serves as the Strategic Partnerships Coordinator with the Florida Department of Agriculture – Division of Food, Nutrition and Wellness, under Commissioner Nikki Fried. He is responsible for organizing the Department's efforts related to healthy food access and developing and managing statewide partnerships that support improved food security in Florida. Mikhail has experience in multiple levels of government, having served in both the US House of Representative and the Florida House of Representatives in legislative roles. He has

gained an intimate understanding of state policy and built strong relationships with law makers and community leaders across the state. He earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Public Relations from Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University (FAMU) in Tallahassee, where he currently resides.



Prior to joining Farm Share as Chief Operating Officer in 2016, **Stephen Shelley** owned and operated his law practice for ten years specializing in family law, business law, and general civil litigation. Stephen was promoted to CEO by Farm Share's Board of Directors in July 2019, following the retirement of founder and former CEO Patricia Robbins. Under Stephen's leadership, Farm Share has continued to grow and expand their founding vision that "no food should go to waste, and no Floridian should go hungry." Over the past 30 years, Farm Share

has been committed to distributing fresh produce free of charge to recipients who need our help. By distributing over 88 million pounds of fresh fruit and vegetables annually throughout all 67 counties of Florida, we have helped provide a bright spot to neighbors in need. Stephen also gives back to his local community, having served on the Homestead City Council for the last ten years in the capacity of Councilman, Vice Mayor, and Mayor. In addition to his service on the Homestead City Council, Stephen also sits on various boards and committees, including the Homestead Rotary Club, Homestead Military Affairs Committee, the Florida National Parks Association (past Chairman of the Board), and the National Parks Conservation Association Sun Coast Region.



Ms. Ann Steensland is the coordinator of the GAP Report Initiative in the Global Programs office of the Virginia Tech College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. In this role, she serves as the lead author of the Global Agricultural Productivity Report, or GAP Report, an annual analysis of global progress toward productive sustainable food and agriculture systems. Her research areas include sustainable approaches for increasing the productivity of small-scale agriculture, improving livelihoods and nutrition for small-scale farmers, market-based strategies for reducing post-harvest loss and waste, and connecting small-scale and emerging

farmers to markets. Prior to joining Virginia Tech, Ms. Steensland was the Deputy Director of the Global Harvest Initiative (GHI), a private sector policy voice for productivity and sustainability throughout the agricultural value chain. Ms. Steensland also served as Chief of Staff of the Alliance to End Hunger, a coalition of companies, universities, faith-based groups and NGOs building the public and political will to end hunger and malnutrition. Ms. Steensland has an M.A. in African History. She was awarded the Lawrence Levine Prize for her thesis exploring racial, economic and environmental dimensions of the development of commercial agriculture in South Africa.



Amanda Streets is a certified permaculture designer who specializes in helping people create "useful landscapes". She grew up on a farm in Michigan, growing veggies and chasing butterflies. She is a mother and former educator, who has transitioned her love of education into teaching families how to grow food in Florida. Amanda is the owner of Living Roots Eco Design and founder of Pinellas Community Compost.



Ellen Vollinger is the legal director for the Food Research and Action Center (FRAC) and is responsible for directing FRAC's advocacy on behalf of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP). Ellen has a B.A. in American Studies from Smith College, an M.A.S.S. in Legislative Affairs from George Washington University, and a J.D. magna cum laude from the American University's Washington College of Law.

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Faustine Wabwire has 15+ years' experience in global development policy on wide-ranging issues including food and nutrition security, global health, climate change, social protection, gender, governance and institution building. Ms. Wabwire's policy leadership is rooted in her conviction that strong local capacity—of institutions, individuals and systems—hold the key to addressing development challenges such as hunger and malnutrition, and to achieving healthy, productive economies. In 2017, Ms. Wabwire testified before the U.S. Congress

urging policy makers to adopt a multi-prong approach to save millions of lives on the brink of starvation and prioritize long-term, sustainable agricultural development. She served on the inaugural Reading Committee of President Obama's Young African Leaders Initiative and is committed to mentoring the next generation of leaders. In 2017, she served on the Advisory Committee of the Queen's Young Leaders Program, an initiative dedicated to mentoring the next generation of change makers worldwide. Ms. Wabwire is a regular commentator on Voice of America, where she has shared her expertise and perspectives on the role of development actors including the U.S. on confronting global challenges such as climate change, in a rapidly changing development landscape. She has also published extensively, including in The Hill.



Kitty Wallace, retired educator (supervisor of Exceptional Student Education), is past President of the Tampa Garden Club. She is Coordinator of Tampa Heights Community Garden, which was twice named best community garden in Florida by the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs and tied for best community garden in the Deep South region of the National Garden Club. She is cofounder of the Coalition of Community Gardens — Tampa Bay. Kitty was also named "Inspired Gardener" by the Florida Federation of Garden Clubs for her work with community gardens. She

received Hillsborough County Fair Harvest Award for community service.



Katie Williams joined Florida Impact in 2017 and is currently the Chief Operating Officer. In her previous role as the Program Manager of Healthiest Weight Florida at the Florida Department of Health, she facilitated a collective impact approach to preventing chronic diseases through policy, systems, and environmental changes aimed at making the healthy choice the easy choice for all Floridians. Prior to this, Katie served as the Marketing and Outreach Coordinator for Florida's Early Steps Program. Katie attended Florida State

University obtaining a bachelor's degree in Family & Child Sciences and a master's degree in Public Health.

Lena Young Green is a longtime community activist, residing in Tampa, Florida. She worked for the State of Florida Legislature for 20 years, where she assisted in passage of many laws and state policies for community improvement. She has dedicated many years towards enhancing the quality of life for citizens and served as a member of the Citizens Advisory Committee within the Hillsborough Planning Commission's (HPC) Comprehensive Plan, among others. Lena worked

with the HPC to create the Tampa Heights Neighborhood Plan, which was the first in the City of Tampa to be ratified by Tampa City Council and signed by the mayor. She is founder of the award winning Tampa Heights Community Garden, and along with Kitty Wallace, is co-founder of the Coalition of Community Gardens: Tampa Bay. The Coalition serves as Garden Steps' community partner and is the platform for the creation of Healthy Hillsborough Alliance to advocate for health in all places, policies and practices.

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