

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 164-26A3
Adopting Good Food Purchasing Standards for SFUSD
- Commissioners Sandra Lee Fewer, Matt Haney, and Shamann Walton

WHEREAS: The San Francisco Unified School District (SFUSD) operates the largest public food program in the city of San Francisco, serving over 6 million meals during the school year and over 275,000 meals during the summer months, and

WHEREAS: Our students look to us to provide the support they need for a healthy future, and SFUSD believes that all students should have access to real, freshly prepared whole foods, that are made with carefully considered ingredients that promote healthy growth and development; and

WHEREAS: Over the past decade SFUSD's Board of Education has taken many steps to improve SFUSD's food systems, including aligning around the highest nutritional standards in the nation and making a bold commitment to feed every hungry child; and

WHEREAS: In April 2015, the San Francisco Board of Education adopted Wellness Policy (P5167) which meets all the provisions of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010 (HHFKA), and provides all schools with a framework to actively promote the health and wellness of all students; and

WHEREAS: SFUSD's Wellness Policy includes guidelines related to nutrition, nutrition education, food and beverage marketing, physical education physical activity, and staff wellness; and

WHEREAS: SFUSD's Nutrition Guidelines meet or exceed the standards outlined in federal, state, and local policies, and they apply to all foods and beverages sold or served to students, staff and families on every PreK-12 campus and administrative building during school day, and district funds can only be used to purchase foods and beverages that meet these nutritional guidelines; and

WHEREAS: SFUSD's Student Nutrition Services (SNS) spends over 11 million dollars annually on food and food supplies; and

WHEREAS: The Good Food Purchasing Program (GFPP) was developed in 2012 to incentivize public institutions to procure food produced through values-driven purchasing standards; and

WHEREAS: Good Food is defined by GFPP as food that is Healthy, Affordable, Fair and Sustainable. These foods meet the Dietary Guidelines for Americans, provide freedom from chronic ailment, and are delicious and safe. All participants in the food supply chain receive fair compensation and fair treatment, free of exploitation. Good Food is available to purchase for all income levels. High quality food is equitable and physically and culturally accessible to all. Food

is produced, processed, distributed, and recycled locally using the principles of environmental stewardship (in terms of water, soil, and pesticide management), and

WHEREAS: Good Food values prioritize nutrition, affordability, geography, and sustainable production practices including sound environmental practices, fair prices for producers, safe and fair working conditions for employees, and humane conditions for animals; and

WHEREAS: Good Food Procurement refers to the sourcing and purchasing all foods and beverages procured with SFUSD funds; and

WHEREAS: In practicing Good Food Procurement methods, SFUSD will help support a regional food system that is ecologically sound, economically viable, and socially responsible, and thoughtful purchasing practices throughout SFUSD will have an impact on the availability of local, sustainable, food; and

WHEREAS: SFUSD's Board of Education has a longstanding commitment to creating school environments that promote and protect children's health, well-being, and ability to learn by supporting healthy eating and physical fitness, The Good Food Purchasing Program will strengthen SFUSD's capacity to become a Good Food leader in our community.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That SFUSD's Board of Education embraces the Good Food Purchasing Program (GFPP) as a strategy to help improve our region's food system through the adoption and implementation of the Good Food Purchasing Standards (GFPS), which emphasize the following values.

1. **Local Economies**- support small and mid-sized agricultural and food processing operations within the local area or region.
2. **Environmental Sustainability** – support producers that employ sustainable production systems that reduce or eliminate synthetic pesticides and fertilizers; avoid the use of hormones, antibiotics, and genetic engineering; conserve soil and water; protect and enhance wildlife habitat and biodiversity; and reduce on-farm energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions.
3. **Valued Workforce** – provide safe and healthy working conditions and fair compensation for all food chain workers and producers from production to consumption.
4. **Animal Welfare** – provide healthy and humane care for farm animals.
5. **Nutritional** – promote health and well-being by offering generous portions of vegetables, fruit, and whole grains; reducing salt, added sugars, fats, and oils; and by eliminating artificial additives.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED: That SFUSD will embrace the GFPS, which include a number of options and levels within each of these five value categories, as a framework for guiding values-driven purchasing; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: That SFUSD's Student Nutrition Services staff, with technical assistance from the Good Food Program, will take the following steps in support of Good Food.

1. Within six months of the adoption of this resolution, communicate Good Food Purchasing Standards to all suppliers, including distributors and foodservice companies, and ask them to share data that will help SFUSD complete an assessment of baseline procurement practices. Here are examples of the types of data SFUSD will request.
 - Line item listing of each product purchased in the following categories: produce, meat & poultry, milk & dairy, seafood, and grains & legumes;
 - Total spend for each line item;
 - Price per unit for each line item;
 - Number of units/volume purchased for each line item;
 - Farm/supplier/producer of origin for each line item;
 - Production location.
2. Complete a baseline Good Food Purchasing assessment of food procurement practices within 12 months of the adoption of this resolution.
3. Develop and adopt a multi-year action plan with benchmarks to comply with Good Food Purchasing Standards. This multi-year action plan will be developed within 6 months after the baseline assessment has been completed.
4. Establish supply chain accountability and traceability systems with vendors/distributors to verify sourcing commitments and assess current food procurement practices. This system will be developed within 6 months after the baseline assessment has been completed.
5. Incorporate Good Food Purchasing Standards into new Requests for Proposals (RFPs) and contracts within 6 months after the baseline assessment has been completed.
6. Report progress to the Board of Education within 12 months of the adoption of this resolution, and then report annually on implementation progress

Please Note:

- Referred by order of the Chair on 4/26/16 to the Budget and Business Services Committee.

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