GIH Food Access and Security Learning Community

Memorandum of Agreement

The Grantmakers In Health (GIH) Food Access and Security Learning Community is a one-year learning and networking experience for GIH Funding Partners with portfolios related to food access and security. The learning community’s objectives are to:

• discuss various opportunities to address healthy food access and security, as well as the barriers that make the work difficult;
• identify current and emerging strategies for funders;
• share insights on healthy food access and security with the field; and
• provide members with opportunities to expand their professional network and knowledge of the issues.

GIH’s goal is to provide a meaningful and rewarding experience for all members of the learning community that will help them to grow professionally and individually. We have found that the best learning communities are those with open, honest, responsive, and inclusive memberships dedicated to the community’s objectives. Learning community members must commit to attending and actively participating in three (3) in-person meetings and at least two (2) phone meetings as follows:

✓ an onboarding phone meeting in the spring of 2020;
✓ a preconference session and site visit tour on June 17 at the 2020 GIH annual conference in Minneapolis, Minnesota;
✓ a one-day GIH Fall Forum meeting on either November 19 or 20 in Washington, DC;
✓ a phone meeting in the winter of 2020/2021; and
✓ a preconference session on June 8 at the 2021 GIH annual conference in Miami, Florida.

Learning community members are also expected to participate in community activities between meetings. These may include responding to fellow members’ requests for advice and assistance, participating in offline group conversations, and/or writing Views from the Field articles for the GIH Bulletin.

Support for the learning community has been provided by The Colorado Health Foundation. Learning community members are expected to pay for their own travel and accommodations related to learning community meetings.

I submit myself for membership in the GIH Food Access and Security Learning Community and agree to the terms set forth in the above Memorandum of Agreement.

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Signature  Organization  Date