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Nutrition Center Newsletter:

Enhanced nutrition and health disparities research

Drivers of Food Choice Competitive Grants Program

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Funded by Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the UK government



Drivers of Food Choice Competitive Grants Program

Drivers of Food Choice has awarded two-year grants to 8 recipients in the first round of its Competitive Grants Program. The grants support research in 7 low-income countries that will improve understanding of food choice in urban and rural food settings among the poor in South Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa. The goal of the Drivers of Food Choice Competitive Grants Program is to ultimately improve food and nutrition security in poor countries, guide ongoing and future programs and research activities on food choice, and to foster a community of practice in food-choice research in developing countries. The program is funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation and the UK government. DFC is managed by the University of South Carolina, Arnold School of Public Health.
(www.driversoffoodchoice.org/grants/grantee-profiles)

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Building Local Food Infrastructure to address Food Insecurity, Food Access, and Health Disparities



Creating local food systems that tackle food insecurity, food access and health disparities is a challenging and daunting undertaking. Often food systems development neglects aspects of food insecurity and health inequalities. Dr. Hossfeld discussed building on a successful, comprehensive systems-approach model based in North Carolina and replicating this in Mississippi, a high poverty, high food insecure state. For more information visit <http://www.mfip.msstate.edu/> or click the read more link below to listen to her presentation on iTunes (#39).

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Smarter Lunchrooms Movement Principles & Practices Workshops

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December 9th, 2016

Smarter Lunchrooms Movement Principles & Practices Workshops

Presented by former Manager of the Cornell University BEN Center
Through the USC Center for Research in Nutrition and Health Disparities

It's not nutrition until students eat or drink it!

A smarter run lunchroom nudges students toward making better choices on their own by changing the way the food choices are presented. Join us to discover how or no cost ways to promote the consumption of healthy school lunch options and reduce plate waste, using the evidence-based principles and practices of the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement. Don't miss this opportunity to become a part of the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement (SLM) in South Carolina!

Who Should Attend:

School Child Nutrition Directors and Cafeteria Managers, Nutrition Specialists working with schools, Local Health Department staff working with schools, and Supporting Professionals & Agencies

Workshop Description:

Smarter Lunchrooms Movement Principles and Practices Workshops provide a solid foundation in the theory of the Smarter Lunchrooms Movement (SLM) principles and practices. In this six hour introductory workshop, you will identify and diagnose school lunchroom challenges and develop a plan to implement one to three changes in the lunchroom. Participate in an interactive session on how to engage internal and external stakeholders, and learn about front-line training, implementation resources, and ways to measure success.

Attendees will have the opportunity to network with agencies and professionals providing personalized technical support.

Cost of Workshop: Free!

This workshop is approved for 6 CEUs from SNA, AND and ACF

Katheryn M. Bellified Booker Washington Heights Cultural Arts Center
2611 Grant St, Columbia, SC 29203
8:30 am - 3:30 pm

If you are interested in attending, please register with Eventbrite:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/smarter-lunchrooms-movement-principles-practices-workshops-registration-29428771247>

We look forward to seeing you at the workshops!

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7th Annual Nutrition Center Symposium Call for Abstract

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7th Annual Nutrition Symposium
"Healthy Eating in Context: Nexus of Food and Environmental Justice"
Symposium Date: March 31, 2017

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Background & Purpose: The 7th Annual Nutrition Symposium will bring together researchers, policy makers, community and faith-based organizations, and community members to: provide perspectives on the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and challenges in South Carolina as it relates to food justice, healthy equity, and environmental justice; and formulate an action plan for greater collaboration across these sectors for meaningful change.

WHO: The University of South Carolina's Center for Research in Nutrition and Health Disparities, the School of the Earth, Ocean and Environment, and the Department of Environmental Health Sciences invites faculty, staff, students, and community and faith-based organizations to submit abstracts for oral and poster presentations for the 7th Annual Nutrition Symposium.

WHAT: Abstracts for oral and poster presentations will be accepted related to the focus

areas listed below:

- Food Systems
- Food Justice
- Health Equity
- Environmental Justice
- Nutrition Policy
- Social Determinants of Health
- Sustainability
- Impact of Natural Disasters on Water, Energy, and Food
- Nutrients and Diet Patterns
- Food Choice
- Food Security
- Nutrition Communication

WHEN: All abstract submissions are due by 5pm on Friday, December 16, 2016.

WHERE: [CLICK HERE](#) to submit your abstract or copy and paste the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfoxLiJU3Z4Zi_yZZkBo8EVJRaJv-HcEAePG3q6-bq3_ctyEQ/viewform?usp=send_form

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