7th Annual Nutrition Symposium—“Healthy Eating in Context: Nexus of Food and Environmental Justice”!

Below are just a few ways to further connect with others committed to addressing food and environmental justice in our communities; let’s keep the momentum going!

**A MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR - Dr. Sonya Jones**

We were inspired by the energy, commitment, and grit of our many presenters at the symposium and delighted to hear many people in the room come together to share, resources, and ideas. Keithrick challenged those of us in public health to “walk the talk”. Environmental and food action is not something we can do on behalf of others only. Standing together with our partners, we need to build communities that are committed to healthy food systems supported by healthy environments. Some ways you can “walk the talk” are to contact our farmers and get involved in their community-supported agriculture programs, engage policy makers to maintain commitments to developments that promote environmental justice, and take advantage of community reinvestment programs that banks are required to offer in our communities. I’m sure there are many other ideas you have, so please share those with us, too!

**SYMPOSIUM MATERIALS and PARTICIPANT LIST ONLINE**

- [CLICK HERE](#) for an audio recording of the keynote address delivered by Representative Harold Mitchell.
- [CLICK HERE](#) to access power points from our presenters and the symposium participant list.

**SYMPOSIUM EVALUATIONS**

[CLICK HERE](#) to submit an evaluation, if you did not complete one on site. Your feedback is valuable in assisting us to: identify components of the program that you really enjoyed; identify areas of improvement; and collect ideas for a theme and focus for our 8th Annual Nutrition Symposium.

**STAY CONNECTED WITH THE NUTRITION CENTER**

- [CLICK HERE](#) to sign up for our listserv and stay abreast of upcoming events and important announcements.
- [CLICK HERE](#) to like and follow us on Facebook.

**UPCOMING SEMINAR**

Topic: Nexus of Food and Environmental Justice Workgroup (Continued discussions and collaboration from the symposium)

**Date:** September 2017 (Exact date TBD)

*Additional details to follow*

**COMMUNITY PARTNERS**

- **Pinckney’s Produce** - A huge thank you to Farmer Urbie West for serving as a panelist. For more information about his family-owned farm and/or to sign up for the CSA (Community Supported Agriculture), please visit: [http://pinckneysproduce.com/](http://pinckneysproduce.com/). They offer two harvest seasons and will deliver farm fresh vegetables directly from their fields to your table.

- **Dianne’s Call** - A huge thank you to Farmer Keithrick Alexander (Founder of Axiom Farms Cooperative) for serving as a panelist. Dianne’s Call is a local organization committed to connecting families with fresh local fruits and vegetables. For more information, visit [www.diannescall.org](http://www.diannescall.org) or call 803-814-5220.

- **The Midlands Food Alliance** educates and advocates for sustainable, equitable, localized food system in the Midlands of South Carolina. Sign up for the [MFA Newsletter](#).
- **End Child Hunger SC** aims to build awareness, increase community capacity, and create a coordinated effort to address child hunger in SC. Like and follow our page on Facebook!

Please feel free to contact me if you have any further questions or concerns, and I’ll be in touch with more details about our upcoming seminar in September to continue these discussions!

Kindest Regards,

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