# Farm to Community Food Hubs Advisory Committee (F2CFHAC)

# COORDINATION, COMMUNICATION, EDUCATION

The Farm to Community Food Hubs Advisory Committee (F2CFHAC) supports the Farm to Community Food Hubs Program and advises the Secretary of Food and Agriculture on education, outreach, and technical assistance for the program.

Being a F2CFHAC member is a great way to develop a healthy, equitable, and resilient food system, and to keep up to date on food hub development in the state. Serving on F2CFHAC also provides individuals with valuable leadership experience.

### **F2CFHAC COMPOSITION**

F2CFHAC has 10 primary members plus an alternate for each appointment, with three members from Northern CA, three members from Central CA, three members from Southern CA, and one member who is a farmer or rancher, selected from any one of the three regions.

- 4 Executive(s) / Manager(s) of a Food Supply Chain Business, including a producer, processor, or purchaser, headquartered in California.
- 4 Executive(s) / Director(s) of a Civil Society Organization, or Representative of an Academic Institution, including K-12 schools, with expertise in advancing food system improvements supportive of local food systems, equitable access to healthy food, labor in the food system, or climateadaptive and climate-resilient food systems.
- 1 Sustainable Agriculture and Research Education Program Representative, housed within the University of California Agriculture and Natural Resources.
- 1 Farmer or Rancher that qualifies as one or more of the following: socially disadvantaged, beginning, limited resource, veteran, disabled, and/or operates a farm or ranch that is 500 acres or less.

### **ROLE OF ALTERNATES**

An alternate member shall serve at an advisory committee meeting only in the absence of a member in the same category, and shall have the same powers and duties, except for the powers and duties as an officer of the advisory committee or subcommittee chairperson.

### **RESPONSIBILITIES AND TERMS**

Members should plan to attend each of the 4-6 F2CFHAC meetings held annually. Meeting dates are expected to occur quarterly.

The maximum term of office for a member of the committee is two terms. The first term will be for three years, and the second term will be for two years with an opportunity for extension if the program is renewed past January 1, 2028.

F2CFHAC members and alternates are reimbursed for expenses related to their participation (such as travel to and from meetings).

## **REQUIREMENTS**

Committee members and their alternates will not be eligible to apply for grant funding through CDFA's Farm to Community Food Hubs Program.

Committee members and their alternates can have no partnership and/or financial benefit from the grant award.

The form 700 is required to be completed annually by committee members once appointed to the committee. Information necessary to file a form 700 is located at the CDFA website at <a href="http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/form700/">http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/form700/</a> and at the California Fair Political Practices Commission (FPPC) website at <a href="http://www.fppc.ca.gov/">http://www.fppc.ca.gov/</a>. In addition, each member is required to complete an ethics orientation on-line class when appointed and then again, every two years thereafter.



