

ECONOMIC AND FOOD PLANNING INVITATION

North Coast Opportunities, the Mendocino Food Policy Council, and the City of Ukiah are hosting a two day community workshop on the topic of local foods and its potential for strengthening our local economy, supporting healthier people and neighborhoods, and revitalizing our downtown. A team of these agency partners and their consultants will join local stakeholders to conduct a workshop in Ukiah on June 28th and 29th. Your participation and knowledge of the local area is needed to help make this event a success. The workshop will bring together many key stakeholders from throughout our region to develop an action plan primarily around, but not limited to, these goal areas:

- Assess the need for a community/shared use kitchen and possible co-pack type facility with the capacity to convert local farm remainders into value-added products.**
- Increase participation in and capacity of local food initiatives and organizations.**
- Develop a common online communication platform for local food-related information and opportunities.**
- Create and/or adopt place-specific land use management tools to help preserve agricultural land and encourage food production**

The workshop will include presentations on community livability and the roles that local foods play in supporting it, plus small group working sessions and discussions on specific actions that the community can take to reach these goals. The workshop will lay out an action plan for moving forward. Make sure to RSVP, information is below.

Sincerely, The Mendocino Food Policy Council

When and Where: Wednesday, June 28, 5:30pm-8pm, Alex Rorabaugh Conference Center, 1640 S. State St., Ukiah

AND

Thursday, June 29, 9 am-4pm, The Community Foundation of Mendocino County, 204 S. Oak St., Ukiah

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