



Collaborating Agencies' Disaster Relief Effort  
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# FOOD SUPPORT NETWORK - QUARTERLY MEETING

Thursday, September 19, 2024, from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m.

- 1) **FOOD SUPPORT NETWORK OVERVIEW (1<sup>ST</sup> 5 Minutes of every meeting) – see [Food Network Overview PDF](#) or contact [Luna@cadresv.org](mailto:Luna@cadresv.org)**
- 2) **FINALIZE COMMUNICATION TOOLS – While tools can be modified at any time, the initial versions will be finalized at the end of September. Please provide feedback to Luna at [Luna@cadresv.org](mailto:Luna@cadresv.org)**
  - **Webpage** – Will be made password protected once finalized. The password will be provided to organizations who provide their point of contact to the food network via email, questionnaire participation, and/or meeting participation
    - Active disaster information and an impact form.
    - Resource Map (cadre is still developing based on [questionnaire](#) responses)
    - Basic Information about the network, including an outline of the communication tools, CADRE contact information, and previous meeting information
    - [Support Network Sign Up](#) – There are 20 support networks to help non-governmental organizations communicate during emergencies regarding specific services (ex. Housing, advocacy, faith). This brief form is to note interest in getting information about whichever network(s) you choose
    - Active Partners – The food network currently has 1/4<sup>th</sup> of the invitees who are actively participating in the network; need more private organizations and businesses in the network (ex. Restaurants, food trucks, etc)
    - Preparedness Resources – several dropdowns to help organizations get prepared; Joint ventures commented that the resource list should be condensed and updated
  - **WhatsApp** -- Made group private due to spam, can request to join or fill out questionnaire to be sent an invite. This live chat tool will be used for major information and welfare checks / urgent communication.
  - **Email Blasts** – Are a back up to the WhatsApp live chat tool



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- **Meetings** – The next quarterly meeting will be end of January and will include a tabletop exercise to test the network's communication tools. While most meetings are 1 hour long, the tabletop exercise will be 1.5 hours long; during this meeting we will plan out what is needed for the following quarterly meetings in 2025 (ex. Training, roundtables, etc.)
- **Network Questionnaire** – Please take and share; this is the easiest way to be listed as an active member of the food network and be looped in on meetings, updates, and important communications
- **Map** – Still in development

### 3. PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENT (15 Minutes) - Community & Agriculture Resilience Audit Tool Pilot Program 2024 – Cayce Hill & Julie Morris

- Comprehensive Assessment Tool – Community and Agriculture Resilience Audit Tool (CARAT) is a free, open-source tool for communities to self-assess how they currently utilize the assets of their local food system to achieve a substantial level of community resilience. This pilot program provides a comprehensive assessment tool to measure how well County is following food system workplan and where gaps and opportunities exist.
- The survey has 7 themes. Please take the survey; you can just respond to the sections and questions that pertain to you.
- Survey Link: <https://carattool.org>
- If you have any city or school contacts please connect them to this program

### 4. ROUNDTABLE (15 Minutes)

- **Paul Marshal – CalDart.** 3 locations in Santa Clara County. Supports with air transport of food and other supplies. Interested in working with other organizations in transportation training and exercises
- **Andrea Ogana – County of Santa Clara Health and Hospital System**
- **Jawed Iqbal – Evergreen Islamic Center.** Big facility that can help during emergencies for storage + conducting food distributions once a month.
- **Elvia Casas -- Catholic Charities of Santa Clara County.** Provides wrap around services, including food distribution. Currently converting parishes to move into market style, allowing clients to pick the produce they want.
- **Kenna Rogers – Food Recovery.Org.** focus on warehouse food recovery, specifically helpful for getting food from other states in a major emergency



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- **Marvahn Gorlorwulu – Silicon Valley Council of Nonprofits.** If you ever need information or events amplified, they can support.
- **Robin Vasilakos – Jewish Family and Children Services.** Provides food pantries in San Mateo and Santa Clara Counties

## 5. NEXT STEPS (5 Minutes)

- **CADRE**
  - Finalize the webpage and create/share the password
    - Reach out to Joint Ventures regarding resource list update
  - Monitor questionnaire and update webpage and map accordingly
  - Expand outreach for the food network
  - Set up tabletop exercise for January 2025
- **You**
  - Take the [Food Network Questionnaire](#) and check out the [Food Network Webpage](#) if you haven't already
  - Participate in the CARAT Survey: <https://carattool.org>
  - Provide your availability for January when prompted by Luna's email in October.
  - Share the food network webpage/questionnaire with any organization you think should be a part of the Food Network