



GREENWOOD
COUNTS
COMMUNITY
CONSORTIUM

TO:	GC3-Lakelands Food and Hunger Alliance
FROM:	Justo Chalaire, Community Engagement & Data Specialist
SUBJECT:	LFHA Meeting Summary
DATE:	March 28th, 2024

Thank you to all who attended the LFHA meeting for the Greenwood Counts Community Consortium.

Below is a summary of each portion of our meeting with a direct link to the video recording for that portion:

- Justo Chalaire welcomed the LFHA Members and initiated introductions and organization updates. In attendance were Gabrielle Dilka, Victoria Hunter, Trish Buis, Justo Chalaire, Andrea White, Kiersten White, Brittney Mazyck, Bryan Yebba, Ashley Redfern, Hannah Roberts, Courtney Watson, Sarah Quinn, Andria Wendell.

Organization Updates

- Justo Chalaire discussed that VITA season is still underway.
- Bryan Yebba shared information about the new seed libraries that have opened in Greenwood and Ware Shoals.

LFHA Updates

- Justo shared that our \$25,000 LFHA CDG Budget has been signed and funds are ready to be utilized. He also shared that Greenwood Food Resource Map on lakelandscounts.org has been added to a flyer in partnership with DHEC. A goal of 1000 copies to be distributed by January was set and we currently have 443 distributed. We currently have 275 page views on the resource guide.
- Justo Chalaire has connected with the executive director at MAT Transit to start working on a transportation route to bring community members to medical facilities and grocery stores. These drop off times will be blocked out for an hour to an hour and a half.
- Justo shared that there are now over 100+ organizations that are currently in Unite Us.

GC3 Report/Presentation

- Justo gave an overview for an upcoming event called Food for Thought. This event will cover the LFHA Report and is going to be hosted at the Greenwood Art Center on April 24, 2024, from 1pm – 3pm. There are 11 currently registered. The speakers for this event include Andria Wendell, Zach Rubin, and Justo Chalaire. Resources and refreshments sponsors needed.
- Andria Wendell provided an overview of the LFHA report and then Justo walked us through the Food for Thought Presentation that uses the LFHA report information.

Action items that came from the meeting:

- Add sign-up sheets throughout UC3 for the MAT Transit transportation route.
- Create a subcommittee to provide food grocery bags and possibly find a sponsor to fund reusable bags for the community.
- Promote the Food for Thought event on April 24, 2024.
- Continuously update the GC3 data report and presentation.
- Promote the Unite Us referral platform to the Alliance. - [Unite Us Video Link](#)
- GC3 Members to share trainings and updates to Justo at jchalaire@uwlakelands.org to be sent among the group and to the community.
- Attend our next meeting on **Thursday, April 25th**. (4th Thursday of every month)