

Oakland Food Policy Council

2011 Membership Application Overview

The *Oakland Food Policy Council* (OFPC) is now accepting applications for its third group of council members. The mission of the OFPC is to establish an equitable and sustainable food system in Oakland, California. The OFPC's goals cover each aspect of the food system, from production through resource recovery, and emphasize healthy food, healthy environment, healthy economy, and healthy choices. Please visit the OFPC website to review each of the goals in depth:
http://www.oaklandfood.org/mission_goals.

The Oakland Food Policy Council is made up of representatives of all sectors of the food system, with 21 members representing the following "working communities":

- Business Community
- Labor Representatives
- Community Organizations + Residents
- Rural and Regional Organizations
- Health and Education Organizations
- Local Governance

Oakland Food Policy Council members participate in five full-council meetings each year (on the third Thursdays of January, March, May, July, and September at 5:00 pm), **and join two smaller workgroups that meet five times each year** (on the third Thursdays of February, April, June, August, and October). Workgroups include:

- Neighborhood Innovations
- City Innovations
- Regional and State Innovations
- Outreach and Recruitment
- Fundraising and Financing
- Data Management and Research

Adult OFPC members serve three-year terms, and may re-apply at the end of their term. Youth OFPC members will serve one-year terms, and may re-apply at the end of their term. Term limits TBD. New members will be announced by September 1, 2011. **A new member orientation will be held on September 8, 2011 at 5:00 pm, and new members will attend the September 15, 2011 OFPC meeting.**

Complete your OFPC Membership Application in SurveyMonkey here (preferred method):
http://www.oaklandfood.org/home/apply_for_ofpc_membership

Download the OFPC Membership Application in Word format here:
http://www.oaklandfood.org/home/membership_applications

By July 30, 2011 please submit your application via SurveyMonkey, or send your completed application to:

applications@oaklandfood.org OR Oakland Food Policy Council
Food First
398 60th St
Oakland, CA 94618

Please contact the OFPC Coordinator with any questions:

Email: coordinator@oaklandfood.org Telephone: 510-654-4400 x233

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Membership Requirements

1. Oakland residence and/or employment in Oakland, or in the case of regional/rural organizations, strong interest/investment in the Oakland food system.
2. Attendance at each of the five yearly meetings of the full OFPC.
3. Attendance at 80% of workgroup meetings for your chosen workgroups, and commitment to work between meetings.
4. Commitment to transforming the Oakland food system into an equitable and sustainable system.
5. Representation of one of the five food system sectors (production, processing, distribution, consumption, waste management) and one of the following “working communities”:
 - a. Business Community
 - b. Labor Representatives
 - c. Community Organizations and Residents
 - d. Rural and Regional Organizations
 - e. Health and Education Organizations
 - f. Local Governance
6. Respect for the complexity and sensitivity of the OFPC’s work with diverse partners, and appreciation for the need for personal and group skills in diversity management, problem-solving, decision making, and “getting to yes”.
7. Commitment to reaching out to a wide variety of people and entities within your “working community” to ensure you understand their needs and what they have to offer.
8. Commitment to working in the public interest. OFPC members are expected to bring certain expertise to the table for the benefit of the Oakland food system, rather than to directly represent any organizations they may be affiliated with.

Oakland Food Policy Council Membership Application

Name:	Title:	
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Affiliation:		
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Email:	Telephone:	
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Address:	City:	Zip Code:
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How do you identify yourself within the following categories? Check all that apply.

Business Community

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|-----------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Business Association | <input type="checkbox"/> Restaurant | <input type="checkbox"/> Grocer Assoc. | <input type="checkbox"/> Large Grocery Store |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Chain/Franchise | <input type="checkbox"/> Wholesaler | <input type="checkbox"/> Distributor | <input type="checkbox"/> Small Grocery Store |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Manufacturer | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Waste Mgmt | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Labor Representative

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|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Farm Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Processing Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Retail Worker |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Waste Mgmt Worker | <input type="checkbox"/> Worker Advocate | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ | |

Community Organizations and Residents

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Farmers' Market | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Food Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Ag Organization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Charity Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Neighborhood Association |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oakland Resident | <input type="checkbox"/> Workforce Development Org | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Rural and Regional Businesses and Organizations

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|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regional Farm | <input type="checkbox"/> Farm Organization | <input type="checkbox"/> Farm Support Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Farming Cooperative |
| <input type="checkbox"/> _____ | | | |

Health and Education

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|----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oakland Unified School District | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Health Org | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Health Org / Hospital |
| <input type="checkbox"/> University / College | <input type="checkbox"/> Research Institution | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ |

Local Governance

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Works | <input type="checkbox"/> Comm. & Econ. Devel. Agency | <input type="checkbox"/> Human Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks & Rec. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mayors' Office | <input type="checkbox"/> Member of City Council | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Health | <input type="checkbox"/> Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> SSA | <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture Commissioner | <input type="checkbox"/> _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> |

In which sector(s) of the food system do you have expertise?

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|---------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Production | <input type="checkbox"/> Processing | <input type="checkbox"/> Distribution | <input type="checkbox"/> Consumption & Marketing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Waste Management & Resource Recovery | | | |

Demographic Information

Gender

Female Male Transgender Other Decline to State

Age

18 – 25 26 – 35 36 – 55 56 – 75 76 +

Ethnicity/Race: Check all that apply

American Indian or Alaska Native Asian Black or African American
 Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander White Hispanic or Latino

Disability: Check “yes” if you have a disability as designated by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA)

Yes No Decline to State

Link to Oakland: Check all that apply

Live Work Market (for Regional Business)

1. Why would you like to be an OFPC council member?

[Provide your answer using this expandable text box in Word, or on a separate sheet of paper]

2. Why do you believe you would make a good OFPC council member? Please describe the skills, experience, and other strengths you will bring to the council.

3. How does your work relate to the OFPC’s mission and goals?

4. What is your vision for the Oakland food system? How might we achieve that vision? What will some of the opportunities and challenges be?

5. Membership on the OFPC will require attendance at all meetings of the full council (5 per year), and participation in at least one “working group” that will meet more frequently. Will you be able to make this time commitment? Yes No

6. OFPC members are selected based on their skills, experience, and commitment to transforming the Oakland food system, and are asked to serve in the public interest, rather than to directly represent any organization they are affiliated with. If seated on the council, will you be able to serve in the public interest, and recuse yourself from discussion topics if you have a conflict of interest?

Yes No