

NEK Food Cycle Coalition

July 20, 2017

Meeting notes:

Alison, Paul, Laural

Idea for first project to work on: Food rescue for human consumption

- Suppliers
  - Restaurants
  - Schools
  - Stores
  - Hospital
- Receivers
  - Meal sites
  - Food shelves
  - Community dinners
- Partners and Resources:
  - ANR
  - VDH
  - USDA
  - VT Foodbank
  - Green Mountain Farm Direct and to School
  - VT211
  - Specific people to contact about joining this coalition
    - Nicole Civita, Sterling College (Alison will contact)
    - Chris Meehan, VT Foodbank (Laural)
    - Lallie Mamborg, NEK CoAging (Laural)
    - Dixie Burns, VT211 (Alison)
    - James Hefferman, Green Mtn Farm Direct (Laural)
    - Jody Wheeler, HOPE (Paul)
- Goals:
  - Start with creating a system to pick up and distribute excess shelf stable food to those who need it
    - Identify infrastructure needs
    - Map the resources from existing Vermont data
      - Dec.vermont.gov
      - Alison will investigate options for existing data
- Connection to Regional Food System Plan for NEK
  - Goal 1: Objective A: Related to food waste and Act 148
  - Goal 8: Objective A and D
  - Goal 9: Objective E
- Next meeting: Tuesday August 22. 10 – 11. NVDA conference room