

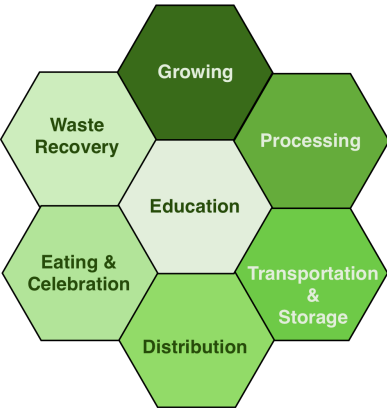
Food Policy Council of San Antonio

Membership Information

Vision: Healthy, fresh, affordable food, accessible to all, in vibrant local food economy.

Mission: The Food Policy Council of San Antonio serves as a stakeholder forum to support a healthy, sustainable, and just local food system for people, the environment, their economy and community; gathers and disseminates information for all who work toward that goal in the San Antonio area; and advocates for policy improvements relating to food.

The *Food Policy Council of San Antonio* (FPCSA) is accepting applications for membership. Individuals with interest and/or experience in specific sectors of the Food System are being sought. Food Policy Councils commonly are created to address policy issues involving the local food system. These food systems typically are made up of the following or similar components:



To address all parts of the food system, FPCSA recruits members in the following Categories. Shaded categories are currently filled.

Agriculture-Producer	Health-Institutions
Agriculture-Gov't Agency	Health-Public Health/Education
Agriculture-Urban Ag	Other-Agriculture Education
Consumption (Restaurant)	Other-Community Organizing
Distribution	Other-Concerned Citizen
Education-K-12	Other-Labor
Education-University (Research)	Other-Planning/Policy
Emergency Food	Other-Water
Food Access	Processing
Gov't-City Council	Retail-Farmers Market
Gov't-Health and Human Services	Retail-Grocery
Gov't-Mayor's Office	Waste Recovery

Membership Requirements

1. Members must be San Antonio Metropolitan area residents or must be employed in the greater San Antonio area, or in the case of regional/rural organizations, have a strong interest or investment in the San Antonio food system.
2. Members must attend at least 80% of the monthly council meetings. Monthly Council meetings are held currently from 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. on the third Wednesday of each month. Meeting agendas and previous council minutes are provided in a timely manner for review. Sending a staff member or another person as a substitute to the monthly meeting is not counted as being present. Proxy votes are accepted upon written request for actions leading to a vote, and do not count as being present.
3. Members serve two-year terms, and may apply for re-appointment.
4. Members are appointed to a council subcommittee of their choice, and are expected to perform committee assignments in addition to meeting attendance. Standing committees include Membership, Development, Research and Measures, and Communications. Ad hoc committees are formed as needed, such as Conference Planning. **Note: You need not be a council member to volunteer with a committee. Committee service can be a good way to decide whether you want to be a council member.**
5. Members will abide by Bylaws and policies.

Membership Expectations

Members of the Food Policy Council of San Antonio commit to

- Furthering the vision and mission of FPCSA.
- Respecting the complex and sensitive work of diverse partners and their interests.
- Reaching out to a wide variety of people and entities within their networks to gain understanding and accurate representation of their needs and resources.

Applications are being accepted only for vacant council positions (see table above and in the Membership Application) through July 31, 2013 or until the positions are filled.

Please send your completed application to foodpolicysa@gmail.com.

or

**Membership
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Contact foodpolicysa@gmail.com with any questions.