

SCHEDULE

- 8:30 am** **Registration, Networking & Continental Breakfast**
- 9:00 am** **Welcome and Opening Remarks**
- 9:15 am** **Relevancy of Farm Bill to Public Health & Nutrition**
Keynote address presented by Dr. Fred Kirschenmann, Distinguished Fellow for the Leopold Center for Sustainable Agriculture at Iowa State University
- 10:00 am** **Farm Bill/USDA 101: Everything You Need to Know About the Farm Bill, Our Food System and Health**

Susan Roberts, J.D., M.S., R.D., Food Policy Fellowship Program, Jefferson Institute

Dr. Allen Hance, Senior Policy Analyst, Northeast-Midwest Institute in Washington, DC and Project Coordinator, Farm and Food Policy Project
- 10:30 am** **15 Minute Break**
- 10:45 am** **Farm Bill/USDA 101 Session Resumes**
- 11:30 am** **Q&A with Morning Speakers: What Can We Do in Kansas City?**
- 12:00 pm** **Networking Luncheon**
- 12:45 pm** **Topology of Food System & Farm and Food Policy: Intervention Points**

Break Out Sessions
- I. USDA Food Assistance Programs (Brush Creek Room)**
Ron Hamilton, Kansas Commodity Programs; Dan Nagengast, Kansas Rural Center; Shawnee Douglas, Washington County (MO) Health Department; Mercedes Taylor-Puckett, Lawrence Farmers Market

An overview of Food Commodity Programs, the WIC Farmers' Market Nutrition Program and other food stamp enrollment issues/benefits including use of electronic benefit transfers at Farmers' Markets.
- II. The Oklahoma Miracle: Making Farm to Cafeteria Programs Work in Schools and Institutions (Paseo Room)**
Chris Kirby, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture

Learn how Oklahoma successfully introduced farm to cafeteria policies and projects across the state. Ms. Kirby will give an overview of how farm to cafeteria programs work and the benefits for students, schools and farmers.
- 1:45 pm** **Local Food Policy Initiatives (Town Square)**
Dan Nagengast, Kansas Rural Center; Kirk Cusick, Salina Food Policy Council; and Barbara LaClair, Kansas Food Policy Council

An overview of Food Policy Councils and local and state policy initiatives, including a case study on the Salina Food Policy Council.
- 2:30 pm** **Proposed Next Steps and Facilitated Discussion**
- 3:30 pm** **Adjourn**

FIRST COALITION MEETING!

Friday, March 23, 2007
11:30 am - 1:30 pm (Lunch will be served)

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