The Community Food Security Stakeholder Committee

Food for All
A Food Charter for Hamilton
The Board of Health
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Who we are, what we do

- Advisory committee to the Board of Health
- Membership includes community stakeholders, Councillors, and city staff
- Working toward a healthy, sustainable and just food system for all
 - Food vision, strategy and policy input and advising
 - Encourage and support research



From City Hall to City parks

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to backyards

Backyard Harvest photo by Victoria Bick



To farms, processors, distributors, grocery stores, schools, recreation centres, restaurants, food banks, waste facilities, dining rooms, hospitals, gardens, universities, colleges, corner stores, community centres, and on and on...

Food is essential to every person in Hamilton every day.

Food for All A Food Charter for Hamilton

A vision of a food system – how it should function, and how local policies and programs should contribute to the strength of that food system

> 3 years in the making



Food for All A Food Charter for Hamilton

The Food Charter

- envisions a Healthy, Sustainable, and Just food system
- forms an integral part of programs and policies
- supports food initiatives that develop knowledge and skills over the entire food system



Food Charter Endorsement

- Promotion of the Food Charter through presentations, articles, and a website
- Received endorsement from 26 organizations and 110 individuals in the community
- Continue to seek more support to affirm the strategic principles

Board of Health and Council Endorsement

Endorsement would provide

acknowledgment of and support our efforts

a foundation to shape Hamilton's Food Strategy

Summary

- Endorsement of the Food Charter for Hamilton provides the vision for a Healthy, Sustainable, and Just food system
- We welcome the opportunity to participate in the community engagement process to inform Hamilton's Food Strategy