

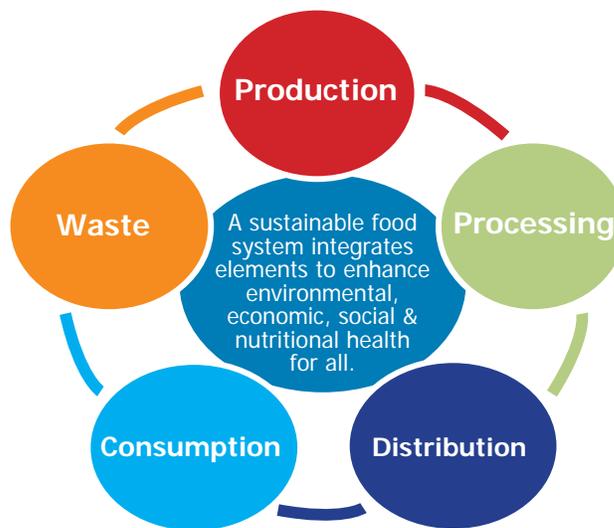


network MISSION

The Rogue Valley Food System Network establishes a collaborative community of leadership to develop and advocate for a healthy and sustainable food system in Josephine and Jackson Counties.

a food SYSTEM

A Food System is the sum of all activities required to make food available to people. A sustainable food system integrates all of these elements to enhance economic, environmental, social, and nutritional health for all.



what is THE ROGUE VALLEY FOOD SYSTEM NETWORK?

The Rogue Valley Food System Network is a group of individuals, organizations, and businesses who have joined together to strengthen our local food system through collaboration. The group was formed after a year-long community engagement effort that identified food system resources and needs. The action plan that emerged focuses on eight goals to improve access to local food, promote healthy eating, enhance social equity and develop economic vitality.

EXAMPLE PROJECTS

Just a few examples of the work that network member's are involved with to improve our community's local food system.



Cooking Skills Education Program

The Cooking Skills Education Program inspires and educates community members to eat more fresh, local fruits, vegetables and whole foods with the assistance of a group of trained volunteers.



Healthy Corner Store Initiative

The Healthy Corner Store Initiative is a collaborative project of Jackson County Public Health Department, OSU Extension, and ACCESS (the Community Action Agency of Jackson County) to make healthy foods more accessible through neighborhood markets in our community's food deserts.



Local Market Development

The Rogue Valley Initiative for a Vital Economy (Thrive) is connecting farmers and grocery stores to increase the amount of locally grown foods available where customers are already shopping.

Join with us in our shared vision for a strong, vibrant regional food system characterized by abundant local food production, equitable food access, environmental sustainability, economic vitality, and healthy community.

Here's how you can get involved...

- 1) Attend Network Meetings – Network meetings are open to the public as an opportunity for community members to connect and form partnerships. The meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month. For meeting details contact the Community Food System Coordinator, contact info below.
- 2) Join as a Partner – Organizations, agencies, or businesses that support the mission and objectives of the Network and want to participate in a focused work group
- 3) Join as a Supporter – Individuals that support the mission and objectives of the Network and want to work in a focus area

For more information and to get involved contact:

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