



King Conservation District

Promoting sustainable uses of natural resources through responsible stewardship.

King Conservation District Regional Food System Program

2019 Grant Orientation Workshop

April 1, 2019

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WELCOME

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AGENDA

10:00 – 10:05	Welcome & Introduction
10:05 – 10:25	King County Local Food Initiative
10:25 – 11:00	2018 Recap & 2019 Nuts & Bolts
11:00 – 11:20	Questions and Answers
11:20 – 11:35	Break - Networking Opportunity
11:35 – 12:30	One-on-One Assistance

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King County Local Food Initiative

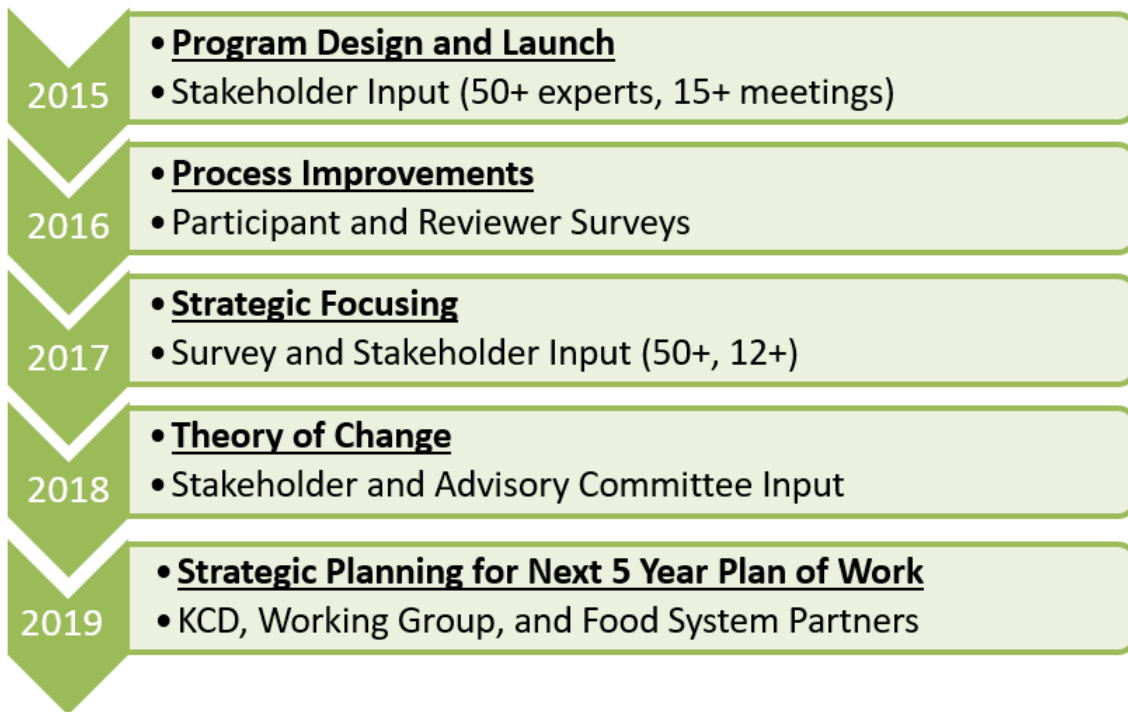
Mike Lufkin

Local Food Economy Manager



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Program Improvements: Themes by Year



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2015 – 2018 Food System Investments
Totalled \$3.3 Million

Leveraged an Additional \$3 Million in Cash
and In-Kind Support

- ❖ 46 Competitive Grants
- ❖ 6 Strategic Initiative Grants

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Fall Course:
Practicum In Urban Agriculture
SUST 143

Interested in learning about sustainability?

Want to learn how to grow organic food in the city?

Scholarships available from KCD!!

\$129 for Continuing Ed. students

Registration is open now!
Tuesdays 4:30-6:50pm -or- Thursdays 1:30-3:50pm

For more information contact:
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2018 - 11 Competitive Grant Awards Totaling \$755,631

- City of Seattle, OSE – *Increasing Fresh Bucks Business Capacity and Customer Access*
- PCC Farmland Trust – *Working Farmland Partnership*
- Living Well Kent – *LWK Greenhouses and Farm*
- Cart before Horse Farm – *Post Incubator Shared Farmland*
- Carnation Farms – *Grain Trust*
- Viva Farms King County – *Training and Incubating a New and Diverse Generation of Farmers*
- Cascadia Cooperative Farms – *Phase II Farmer Engagement*
- International Rescue Committee – *Expanding Land Access through Urban Gardening*
- Vashon Island Growers Association – *Vashon Fresh*
- Washington Water Trust – *Increasing Adoption and Integration of Reclaimed Water for Irrigation within the Cedar Sammamish Watershed*
- Rotary First Harvest – *King County Farmers Share*

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2019

- \$900,000 for Competitive Grants and Strategic Initiatives
- Competitive Grants up to \$100,000 over 2 Years
- Eligibility, Public Benefit, Match & Partnerships
- Measurable Outcomes, e.g. New Acres in Production, \$ New Sales, # New Farmers/Farm Businesses
- Address Key Funding Priorities
- Pre-Proposals Due April 23

Funding Priorities

- Infrastructure
- Consumer Demand
- Land Access
- Food Safety
- Business Management

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Infrastructure

Examples:

- Produce Processing
- Commercial Kitchens
- Value-Added Processing Facilities
- Cold Storage
- Irrigation
- Equipment Sharing / Loan Programs

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Consumer Demand

Examples:

- Eat Local Promotions
- Farmer-Buyer Trade Meetings
- Improve Access to Markets
- Farmers Market Promotions
- Retail Readiness
- Market Assistance to Schools, Restaurants, Institutions, and other Food Retailers
- Support for Emerging Markets for Local Farm Products

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Land Access

Examples:

- Models and Resources for Leasing, Purchasing Land
- Developing/Expanding Farm Incubators
- Services that Link Farmers and Farmland Owners
- Realtor Forums Focusing on Ag Zoned Lands or Lands Suitable for Ag

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Food Safety

Examples:

- Training and Education
- Technical Assistance
- Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs)
- Good Handling Practices (GHPs)
- Hazzard Analysis Critical Control Point (HACCP)
- Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA)

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Business Management

Examples:

- Business Planning
- Finding Farmland
- Finding and Managing Labor
- Record Keeping
- Insuring Crops and Other Risk Management Tools
- Finding Capital
- Accessing Markets
- Retirement Planning

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2019 Strategic Initiatives

Based on Feedback from Stakeholders and Advisory Committee

- Infrastructure
- Land Access
- Direct Marketing
- Consumer Demand



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Questions and Answers



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A photograph of a rural farm scene. In the foreground, there is a lush green field. In the middle ground, there are several farm buildings, including a large barn with a rusty corrugated metal roof and a smaller white building. In the background, there are several multi-story houses built on a hillside, surrounded by trees. The sky is clear and blue.

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