

## **Question # 4: What does success look like to you in 6 months?**

### **Community response**

#### **Overarching Themes:**

*Coordination; safe, sanitary locations; central locations; human dignity/respect; government/private sector participation; more locations; raise the issue's profile; nutrition is important*

#### **Efforts are coordinated and inclusive.**

- Coordinated efforts of all groups
- Cooperation
- Coordinated efforts with all groups and safe service
- Coordinated offerings
- Coordinated Scattered Sites
- All inclusive for all groups
- More inclusive
- All included faith based vs. others (WAMM) involved
- Central Resource
- Organization to serve the population efficiently
- Less Waste with food
- Central Clearing House – Distribute feedings Guidelines
- Website for providers to avoid overlap-alignment (Coordination)
  - City and Others list sites so good Samaritans can join in?
  - Posted information (phone numbers / websites)
  - Database for coordination
  - Notification and Coordination for groups that want to help

#### **Food distribution connects to other services.**

- Link to other services (medical, housing, clothing, transportation etc.)
- There will be wrap around services – such as clothing/health care
- Material / training for best practices with distribution
- Building Relationships – not just food distribution
- More volunteers
- Access to community Resources

#### **Locations are *safe and sanitary*.**

- Meeting location with sanitation / community resources needs
- Place to serve / fixture in neighborhoods
- Accountability trash
- On Weekends Saturday and Sunday – Permanent place to get a hot meal, twice a day, indoors, climate control restrooms, and sit at a table
- Safe Services
- Location with Shelter
  - Sanitation for trash
  - Commodes
  - Food
  - Hand washing
- Ensure Safety of food
- Success is when we have met the top three priorities

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- Shelters, hand washing, location, sanitation, and resource guide

**Locations are *centrally located*.**

- Needs to be downtown location
- Ideal location – Governor’s Mansion
- Moore Square / City Market Public Gathering Space over 100 years
- Downtown – where groups can volunteer on weekends
- Downtown / Moore Square (respect) not hide the issue
- Moore Square room to spread out and use all
- Moore Square School Cafeteria on churches – WCPSS
- Accessible facility in Moore Square Area
- Public Bathrooms in Moore Square
- Feed on sidewalks around the square
- Downtown Churches as other locations
- Moore Square
  - With covered facility in Moore Square
  - At least developing a plan for the above
- Moore Square has a community
- Could be in a mixed use space downtown
- Needs to be near transportation hub
- Accessible facility in downtown 7 days a week

**People are treated with dignity and respect.**

- No judgment, no restrictions on those served
- No restrictions on who can participate
- Dignity in the process
  - People will not “drop” food and clothes
- People feel good about how they receive support
- People that care and still able to feed the homeless
- Being good neighbors
- Increase engagement and trust due to obvious respect
- Trusted Environment
- Take the “homeless face” off – not all homeless
- Everyone fellowships together
- Lifting others up with support as many are removed from family
- Caring for and feeding hungry and those food insecure
- And recognize when people are doing good
- Having space to build relationships
- Building relationships “feeding them meeting”
- Opportunities for spiritual “feedings”
- Want to serve wherever people are
- In ideal world people would acknowledge humanity
- A trusting honest process
- Trusting honest application process – all can participate
- Everyone’s happy

**City Government and private partners participate.**

- City Government and all others come together to make sure the need is met

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- It would be wonderful if we had a government funded building
- A wonderful building government funded
- Government Venue with working Agreement with hand washing, toilets, tables and chairs, roof, with working agreement
- Positive relationships between business, community, and all people
  - (City of Raleigh, Non-profits, faith based, people in need, and residents)
- Companies reach out and will donate
  - Rocky Top Hospitality
  - Whole foods has come out and served
  - Produce Box provides fresh produce to help with what they can
  - Providing a shuttle bus from Person Street to 1863 Capital Blvd while cross walk construction is happening

**Locations increase in number.**

- Disperse ministries to feed people in other locations
- All parks open to all
- MORE designated areas for people to eat
- 7 days a week for feedings
- Enough locations that no one person is hungry
- People come from many places
- Enough locations that if you lived in or outside the city nobody goes hungry

**The issue is visible.**

- Visible issue with a central clearing house of information and guidelines
- Leadership priority; constant and regular support
- Working with homeless is a priority among city leadership
- Visibility of the issue
- Visibility of problems
- Understanding that petty laws are not the way to address the problem

**Nutrition is recognized as important.**

- Nutrition / Food Safety as a Priority
- Provide Food – Build toward healthy food
- Access to healthy/safe food

**Continuity of service is recognized as important.**

- OK with those now using services and community agrees ok to continue where now located
- Groups that are doing a great job will continue
- Groups can serve on a continual basis – not a one-time option or

**Other**

- When the park is having an event they will not do anything
- Portland, Oregon: Public Restrooms (Possible Model)
- What can and cannot do