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# UPDATE ON COUNTYWIDE FOOD PROCUREMENT

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# BOARD POLICY B-75

**Today's Action: Receive an update on the countywide food procurement.**

## **March 12, 2024 (12) Board of Supervisors Action:**

- Authorize a competitive procurement for the countywide food contract incorporating Board Policy B-75.
- Require contracted provider track data and present evidence of successful implementation of BOS Policy B-75
- Report back on the data resulting from contracts before options years.
- Develop an action plan to find, uplift, and cultivate local businesses to serve as providers under the contract in partnership with local stakeholders.

## **B-75: Sustainable, Equitable, and Local Food Sourcing Policy**

### **B-75 Value Categories**

- Local Sourcing
- Equity-Informed Sourcing
- Elevated Labor Standards
- Organic or Regenerative Certification
- Low-Carbon Intensity
- Nutritional Co-Benefit





# COUNTYWIDE FOOD CONTRACT

Millions of meals provided to vulnerable people annually.



Annual Spend

**\$10M**

Primarily utilized in health and safety



Re-competed and awarded, incorporating B-75:

August

**2024**





## IMPLEMENTATION OF B-75

**Joint effort with Sysco to implement a new, more sustainable and equitable, food purchasing program:**

- Enable the County to order food products and sources aligned with the six value categories of BOS Policy B-75.
- Cultivate small local business entities to enable them to become qualified providers
- Provide a comprehensive training program to foster local economic growth, enhance community engagement, and expand the pool of capable local vendors.
- Ask its larger suppliers to train local, small, and diverse businesses on how to become a supplier for their company
- Collaborate with food system stakeholders
- Develop reporting metrics for all six value categories in accordance with Board Policy B-75



# LOCAL SOURCING

## Description

- Grown and/or processed within 250 miles
- Sourced from family or cooperatively-owned operations

## Current Activities

- Tool to search for local farms
- Source from family or cooperatively-owned operations

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# EQUITY-INFORMED SOURCING

## Description

- Products purchased from local businesses owned by members of socially disadvantaged groups or from small or mid-sized farmer-owned businesses

## Current Activities

- Commitment to increase spend with certified diverse suppliers
- Partnership with organizations that certify diverse suppliers
- Established a network of suppliers committed to sourcing products from diverse businesses
- Supplier Diversity Management Program



Third-party certifications from:





# ELEVATED LABOR STANDARDS

## Description

- Robust social responsibility policy

## Current Activities

- Established a Supplier Code of Conduct
- Committed to the goal to ensure that all first-tier, high-risk suppliers agree to the Supplier Code of Conduct



## Labor and Human Rights

- Human Rights
- Child Labor
- Freedom of Association
- Forced Labor
- Employment
- Migrant Labor
- Wages and Benefits
- Working Hours
- No Discrimination or Harassment
- Non-Retaliation

Our suppliers are expected to adhere to the standards outlined in the:

- United Nations Declaration of Human Rights
- International Labor Organization (ILO) Core Conventions



# ORGANIC OR REGENERATIVE CERTIFICATION

## Description

- Products purchased hold certain third-party certifications

## Current Activities

- Purchase products from suppliers with organic certification
- Commitment to source all Sysco Brand paper towels, paper napkins, bath and facial tissues from sources certified by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC), the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) or other equivalent standards by 2025



### THIRD-PARTY CERTIFICATES

- USDA Certified Organic
- Regenerative Organic Certified (ROC)
- Organic Plus Trust (OPT) Certified Grass-Fed Organic

### LOCATION

Lamont, CA

### GROWING METHODS:

Field Grown  
Organic

### CROPS:

Arugula  
Beets  
Bok Choy  
Cabbage  
Carrots  
Cauliflower  
Chard  
Cilantro  
Daikon  
Fennel  
Herb - Cilantro  
Herb - Dill  
Herb - Parsley  
Kale  
Lettuce  
Onions  
Onions - Leeks  
Potatoes  
Radish  
Tomatoes





# LOW CARBON INTENSITY

## Description

- Measurement of a company's carbon footprint
- Alignment with the County's 2024 Climate Action Plan

## Current Activities

- Commitment to reducing Scope 1 and 2 (internal and indirect) Greenhouse gas emissions
- Commitment to reducing Scope 3 (supply chain) emissions

## Goal

**Reduce our Scope 1 and 2 emissions by 27.5% from a CY2019 base year by 2030.**

**PROGRESS:** Deployed 23 electric tractors across our operations. We are currently transitioning to a new global emissions tracking platform. We plan to disclose this metric going forward, once the platform is in place.<sup>1</sup>



**Work with suppliers representing 67% of our Scope 3 emissions<sup>2</sup> to set SBTs by 2026.**

**PROGRESS:** Sysco suppliers representing 27% of our CY2019 Scope 3 emissions have committed to set their own emissions reduction goals.





# NUTRITIONAL CO-BENEFIT

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## Description

- Foods that support the promotion of health and well-being



## Current Activities

- Nutritional Programs
- Webinars & web-based applications



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## Recommendation and Next Steps

**Recommendation:** Receive an update on the countywide food procurement.

**Next Steps:** Present to the Board in Spring/Summer 2025 with data showing our progress towards the six value categories within this contract.



# THANK YOU



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