

**Attendance and Minutes of  
SNAP Task Force Meeting of March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019**

**ATTENDANCE SHEET**

- 1) Long Ho – *LiveOn NY*
- 2) Brady Koch – *FBNYC*
- 3) Nicholas Posada - *Fortune Society*
- 4) Colleen Donovan – *Hunger Solutions NY*
- 5) Derek Singh – *HRA-FIA*
- 6) Nadia Shepard – *HRA*
- 7) Ailin Liu – *Public Health Solutions*
- 8) Kelsey Ferrari – *CUCS Rikers Single Stop*
- 9) Brenda Williams – *HRA*
- 10) Millie Rodriguez – *HRA*
- 11) Syed Ferdaus – *HRA*
- 12) Paola Joaquin – *Make the Road NY*
- 13) Melissa Brito – *Single Stop, Queens Community College*
- 14) Nichole Aceredo – *Single Stop, John Jay College*
- 15) Nicole Quinn – *CUCS Rikers Single Stop*
- 16) April Torres- *HRA*
- 17) Nancy Miranda – *FBNYC*
- 18) Joyce Williams – *FBNYC*
- 19) Leah Starbuck – *Sanctuary*
- 20) Erin Sullivan – *HIAS*
- 21) Janiel Murphy - *DYCD*

**AGENDA**

- I. Welcome and Introductions
- II. Research Packet Overview
- III. Task Force Profiles
  1. HIAS New York
  2. Center For Urban Community Services (CUCS) Rikers Island Single Stop
- IV. Access HRA March 31<sup>st</sup> Update
- V. Nonprofit SNAP Outreach Survey

### **The meeting began at 1:00 PM**

Brady Koch reviewed the month's Research Packet. The full documentation is available at [foodbanknyc.org](http://foodbanknyc.org). Issues cited in the discussion throughout the review:

- The new Farm Bill eliminated performance bonuses for state SNAP agencies. Many of the enhancements NYC has been able to implement in the past have been a result of receiving these bonuses.
- Not many policy updates were available as the focus of SNAP has been on recovery from the Winter government shutdown.
- The monthly Mediation Analysis would be made available the week following the meeting.

Two members of the SNAP Task Force profiled their work at their organization:

- CUCS Rikers Island
  - Nicole Quinn
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  - Kelsey Ferrari
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- HIAS New York
  - Erin Sullivan
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Nadia Shepard (HRA) reviewed the new changes to AccessHRA that will launch on March 31<sup>st</sup>. The new features include the ability to submit case changes on demand as well as request the closure of your case.

Brady Koch presented a sample survey to the Task Force as a means of telling the story of SNAP outreach across NYC. The Task Force reviewed each question and made recommendations on changes and additions to the survey. The next draft of the survey will be made available at the April meeting.

### **The Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 PM**