

Bi-Monthly Food Policy Forum Meeting Agenda

WASHINGTON STATE
FOOD POLICY FORUM

Thursday, December 4, 2025 • 1:00–4:00 PM

Zoom Link:

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1612414337?pwd=U3M6Uq7O6lWv2LNFmBPH5XBVII9jBF.1>

Meeting ID: 161 241 4337, **Passcode:** 739992

Objectives

- Understand and discuss the policy and funding landscape and intersections with the Forum's work.
- Celebrate the Forum's 2025 accomplishments and strengthen connections across food system.
- Discuss how the Forum anticipates advancing its 2025-27 topical priorities.

Agenda

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| 1:00 – 1:15 PM | Welcome & Get Settled (Facilitator and Chair) |
| 1:15 – 2:00 PM | Policy & Funding Landscape: 2026 Outlook <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Updates from state agencies on upcoming decision packages• Round robin updates from Forum members |
| 2:00 – 2:20 PM | End of Year Celebration & Network Building <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Highlights from the Forum's 2025 activities and accomplishments• Breakout group conversations to connect across food system sectors (3-4 participants per group) |
| 2:20 – 2:30 PM | Break |
| 2:30 – 2:50 PM | Team Working Sessions <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Participants join topical team breakout groups to advance ongoing work |
| 2:50 – 3:50 PM | Team Report Outs |
| 3:50 – 4:00 PM | Closing Reflections & Adjourn (Facilitator and Vice Chair) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Next Forum meeting: February 5, 2026 |

Washington State Food Policy Forum

The Forum serves as a collaborative venue for advancing food system change across Washington. Established in statute in 2020, the Forum brings together diverse stakeholders from agriculture, conservation, nutrition, public health, and government to identify and address pressing food system challenges. Since 2019, the Forum has produced recommendation reports and letters to the Legislature, which it continues to expand upon. See *Forum reports and resources here*: www.scc.wa.gov/food-policy

Forum Priorities for 2025–27

Following a multi-phase planning process beginning in April 2025, the Forum established five teams to advance the following priorities for the 2025-27 biennium:

Team Name	2025-27 Topical Priorities
Impacts of Climate Change	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Water Supply for Agriculture and Food Production• Climate Resilience for Agriculture and Food Production
Agricultural Land Protection and Availability and Next Generation Farming	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Succession Planning and Incentives
Alleviating Barriers to Small and Mid-Scale Farm Viability and Market Access	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Technical Assistance and Capacity Building
Regional Food Infrastructure and Institutional Procurement for Economic Development	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Public-Private Partnership Models for Infrastructure Finance• Strategic Infrastructure Planning and Coordination
Food Insecurity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Food System Coordination for Food Security• Eligibility and Access for Food Assistance Programs