



JOIN THE NOURISHING POWER *Advisory Council 2.0*

Working together to root & grow a local food system that works for all.

The Nourishing Power Network is part of a research study testing ways to transform food systems by bridging community power with organizational power to spark and expand food justice initiatives led by the community.



WHAT IS THE GOAL OF THE NOURISHING POWER ADVISORY COUNCIL?

- Guide and co-lead the Nourishing Power Network to increase community ownership of local food justice initiatives and share lessons learned to sustain efforts.
- Share in decision making for all aspects of the Network and engage in planning, implementation, and adaptations of our approach.
- Create and sustain space for community-driven efforts that lead to a vibrant, engaged, and fair food system resulting in holistic health for people and communities.

WHO IS THIS FOR?

Advisory Council 2.0 is a 15-month cohort of 10 community leaders living or working in Cuyahoga County who represent its multicultural diversity and are committed to sparking and expanding food justice for Black, Latino/a/x, Asian, and Indigenous communities.

It is for people with...

- Experience in community building.
- Diverse leadership experiences across the food system and related sectors like housing, education, social services, health.
- Desire to transform the food system through collaboration.
- Experience in grant writing or grant making and/or in food policy planning, advocacy, and implementation.
- Commitment to expanding *and* sustaining the Nourishing Power Network.
- Interest in professional advancement.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS?

Advisory Council members will provide support to each other while directly serving in decision-making roles for the Nourishing Power Network. Members receive a \$2,500 honorarium (paid in 3 installments). Members will opt to serve on *either* the Policy Action for Nutrition Equity *or* Nutrition Equity Fund working groups.

Members will gain applied skills in at least 2 of the following...

- Action planning to support collective efforts for nutrition equity in Cuyahoga County.
- Networking and relationship building to secure resources to sustain the Nourishing Power Network.
- Communications (i.e., written, oral, visual, social media) to tell the story of the Network.
- Selecting, awarding, and providing technical assistance to nutrition equity grantees.

The Advisory Council 2.0 will include at least 4 members currently serving on the Advisory Council 1.0 resulting in recruitment of 5-6 new members in Fall 2023. Those selected to serve on the Advisory Council will not be eligible to apply to the Nourishing Power Fellowship or Nutrition Equity Fund during their term on the Council



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Advisory Council 2.0

Term of Service: January 1, 2024 - March 31, 2025

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES OF ADVISORY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Spend about 6 hours/month guiding strategic actions of the Nourishing Power Network by:

- Attending a 2-hour orientation meeting on January 12th, 2024 from 9-11 am (*virtually via Zoom*).
- Actively contributing to **8** Advisory Council meetings (bimonthly).
 - 2024: January, March*, May, July*, September, November* and 2025: January, March*
 - 3rd Fridays, 9-11:30am, in-person (*) or virtual. Food will be provided for in-person meetings.
- Participating in monthly Working Group meetings (1-2 meetings/month). The 15-month goals for the working groups include:
 - Policy Action for Nutrition Equity Working Group: *Establish 2 nutrition equity zones in Cuyahoga County by March 2025 as demonstration sites through policy action.*
 - Nutrition Equity Fund Working Group: *Demonstrate the impact of the existing nutrition equity fund proof of concept and secure ongoing resources and infrastructure to adapt and sustain the fund beyond March 2025.*
- Attending and/or facilitating professional development and team-building activities.
- Supporting, promoting, and attending Nourishing Power networking events (virtual and in person).
- Participating in interviews at the beginning, middle, and end of the experience to evaluate the Nourishing Neighborhoods Empowering Communities Study.

APPLICATION DEADLINE AND TIMELINE

- **August 16, 2023** - Nomination and Application Opens
- **August 23, 2023** - Optional Online Info Session (6-7pm)
 - **REGISTER HERE:** <https://bit.ly/AC2Info>
- **September 17, 2023** - Application Deadline (11:59pm)
- **September 28-October 4, 2023** - Interviews with select applicants
- **October 10-18, 2023** - Advisory Council selected

To nominate someone or to apply yourself: Please scan the QR code below or visit <https://case.edu/swetland/nourishing-power-advisory-council>

Questions? Contact Rachael Sommer (ras333@case.edu)

People representing the multicultural diversity of Cuyahoga County are strongly encouraged to apply.

We are specifically seeking people interested in expanding and sustaining the Nourishing Power Network and its 4 components: Advisory Council, Fellowship, Fund, and Networking.

The Nourishing Power Network is a community action research project co-led by the Mary Ann Swetland Center for Environmental Health at Case Western Reserve University, Neighborhood Connections, and The FARE Project.



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