

**Obesity Task Force Meeting**  
**120 S. Hays Street – 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Room**  
**March 23, 2012 8:30 a.m.**

**Attendees**

Jesse Bane, Bruce Clarke, Michael Elder, Dr. Rebecca Hartwig, Beth Hendrix, Susan Kelly, Kathy Kraft, Kelly Lepley, Arden McClune, Vanessa Milio, Karen Milton for Brad Milton, Mary Nasuta for Dr. Tomback, Dr. Russell Moy, Laura McIntosh, Bari Klein, Joan Salim, Julie Mackert

- Opening and welcome by Susan Kelly. Attendees introduced themselves and provided their background information.
- Kathy Kraft provided a Community Engagement subcommittee update. Copies of the update were provided to attendees. Challenge: ensuring that the work of the Community Engagement subcommittee will integrate well with the other subcommittees.
- Beth Hendrix provided an update on the Access to Healthy Foods subcommittee. A handout was provided showing data mapping food access in Harford County. Challenge: clarifying to subcommittee members what happens next and at what level they will be involved with the work moving forward.
- Susan Kelly has instituted a meeting with the Local Health Improvement Process chairs, including the Obesity Task Force subcommittees as well as the Behavioral Health and the Tobacco workgroups. These meetings allow chairs to hear what other groups are doing and share resources.
- Arden McClune and Julie Mackert provided an update from the Built Environment subcommittee. Challenge: keeping the group focused on the specific topic of Built Environment.
- Susan Kelly provided a chart portraying common areas of overlap between the three workgroups.
- Susan Kelly stated that the Interim Report to County Council is due May 1<sup>st</sup>. She will provide an Obesity Task Force update at the televised County Council meeting following the Board of Health meeting. Susan asked members what they thought the Interim Report should look like -- handouts, visuals, etc. Preliminary information should be submitted to Laura McIntosh by April 18<sup>th</sup>. She will create a draft report, and send an electronic copy to members for review and discussion at the next Obesity Task Force meeting.
- The County uses SPIGIT to collect comments from the community. It was suggested that perhaps permission could be obtained to piggyback on the County's SPIGIT platform in order to gain community input on ideas generated by the Obesity Task Force.
- Susan informed everyone that all committee information – agendas, minutes, presentations – are posted on the Harford County Health Department website at [www.harfordcountyhealth.com](http://www.harfordcountyhealth.com).
- The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 25<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 a.m. – location to be determined. Conference call lines will be available for those who may not be able to attend.