**Application form**

The Southcoast Food Policy Council (SFPC) is a coalition of food system stakeholders ranging from Fall River to Wareham to generate policies and practices that strengthen our regional food system and promote food sovereignty. Our mission is to connect, convene, and advocate for local food producers, consumers and community leaders who seek policy and systems change to improve community health, eliminate food insecurity, and advance health and racial equity

1.) Circle or highlight all that apply to you:

Sustainable agriculture, aquaculture, retail food stores, wholesale food distributors, food processors, farmers markets, environmental justice, nutrition and well-being, healthcare system, food industry workers, college and universities, K-12 public schools, emergency food providers, urban planning, policy makers and advocates, community activists, youth activists.

Your Name \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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2.) In which sector (s) of the food system do you have expertise?

 \_\_\_\_\_Production \_\_\_\_\_ Processing \_\_\_\_\_ Distribution \_\_\_\_\_ Consumption & Marketing

 \_\_\_\_\_Waste Management & Resource Recovery

3.) Why would you like to be an SFPC council member?

4.) How does your work, volunteer experience or lived experience in hunger relate to the SFPC mission and goals?

5.) Hot topics you are passionate about in food security.

6.) Membership on the SFPC will require attendance at all meetings of the Full Council (12 per year), and participate in at least one “working group” that will meet more frequently. Will you be able to make this time commitment? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

7.) SFPC members are selected based on their skills, experience, and commitment to transforming the Southcoast food system, and are asked to serve in the public interest, rather than to directly represent any organization they are affiliated with. If seated on the council, will you be able to serve in the public interest, and recuse yourself from discussion topics if you have a conflict of interest? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

8.) Gender: Female \_\_\_\_\_ Male \_\_\_\_\_ Transgender \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Prefer Not to Say \_\_\_\_\_

9.) Age: 18-25 \_\_\_\_\_ 26-35 \_\_\_\_\_ 36-55 \_\_\_\_\_ 56-75 \_\_\_\_\_ 76+ \_\_\_\_\_

10.) We invite you to nominate other people to the SFPC. Please share their name and contact information and why you think they would be a good fit for the Southcoast Food Policy Council.

Please return this form to Christine at csmith@marioninstitute.org or Liz at lwiley@marioninstitute.org.