Healthy Eats – A Collaborative Effort



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Key Points

 Promotion of multiple nutrition assistance programs (WIC, Network, and Food Stamps).

Utilize existing resources.

 Deliver Nutrition Education - Captive Audience.

What We Are Doing

 Recruit participants from lobby maximizing participants time.

Provide brief 15-20 minute food demonstrations to lowincome families, and worksite staff (intermediaries) twice per month.

Survey participants.

What the Surveys Tell Us

 Participants were introduced to something new.

 Felt recipes were quick and easy to prepare.

Were willing to try them at home.



Benefits of Collaboration

- Utilize existing resources.
 - Food Stamp/Network FS Resource Kit.
 Developed collaboratively between
 Network and the Food Stamp Program.
 - WIC- Food demonstration cart, and nutrition expertise offered through dietitians.
 - Network- Network sponsored cookbooks, food for demos, and community health worker to provide basic nutrition education.



Attendance/Cost

70 + participants reached per month

Average monthly food cost \$32.67



Steps to Replicate Project

- Find out which food assistance programs are housed within your social services agency.
- 2. Need 1-2 staff to run demo.
- Need approximately \$50 food budget per month.
- 4. Demo table or cart.
- 5. Set on-going schedule.



Conclusion

 Low-cost, easy to follow food demonstrations in a convenient location is a simple way to promote fruit and vegetable consumption.





- Easy way to promote multiple food assistance programs.
- Great way to strengthen collaboration with other programs.

30 Second Story

Yogurt and
Fruit~
featured recipe
for May.

