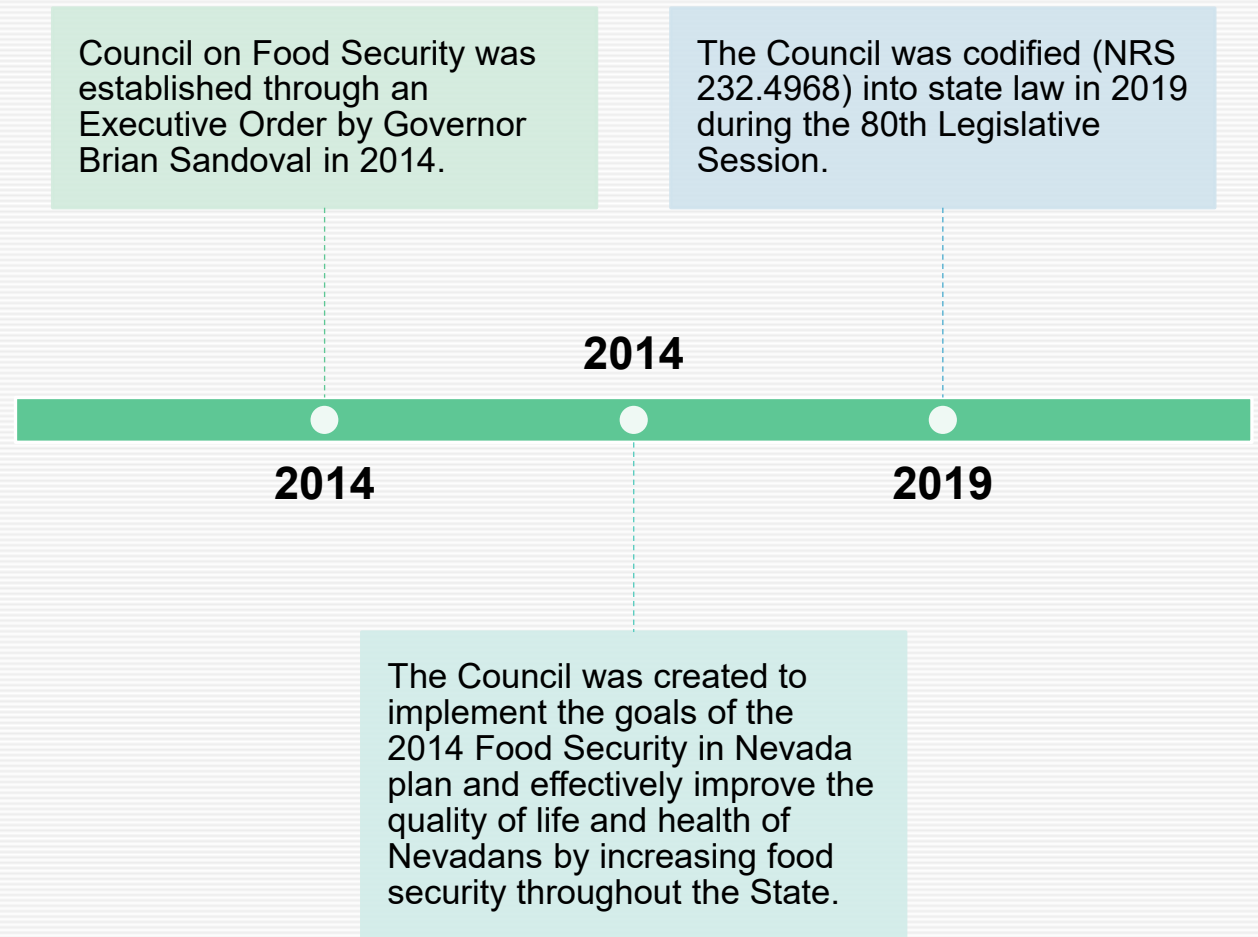


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# Governor's Council on Food Security

# History



# 2024 Food Security Council Membership

- Allison Genco, Chair, Governor's Designee
- Lisa Swearingen, Nevada Division of Welfare and Supportive Services
- Dr. Pamela Juniel, Nevada Department of Education
- Jesus Mendoza Jr., USDA
- Samantha (Tori) Lawson-Bofelli, USDA
- Marcia Blake, Helping Hands of Vegas Valley
- Deacon Tom Roberts, Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada
- Dr. Sabina Malik, University of Nevada, Reno Extension
- Vickie Ives, Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health
- Maria Menjivar, Carson City Health & Human Services
- Jeff Duncan, Nevada Aging and Disability Services Division
- Marie Baxter, Catholic Charities of Northern Nevada
- Kelly Cantrelle, Nevada Division of Welfare and Supportive Services
- Maurice Johnson, Three Square Food Bank
- Dr. Dorian Stonebarger, Governor's Office of Economic Development
- Dr. Julian Goicoechea, Nevada Department of Agriculture
- Dr. Kenneth Osgood, Southern Nevada Health District

# ■ Nevada Food Security Strategic Plan

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The Council is currently tasked with overseeing the implementation of the 2023 Food Security Strategic Plan.

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We are also working to oversee the implementation of goals in the Food Security Action Plan in the State Health Improvement Plan

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The plan demonstrates a continued commitment to lead conversations with a broad set of food security ecosystem stakeholders and create ideas to build the capacity of agencies tasked with this work.

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The pillars in the plan are designed to address the root causes of hunger and to generate a healthier food security ecosystem.

# 2023 Food Security Pillars

Lead	Systems change to improve food security through greater collaboration, information sharing, and policy development efforts.
Feed	Nevada's population at increased/higher risk for food insecurity.
Grow	Nevada's local food sources.
Reach	Population in Nevada that are experiencing food insecurity and/or are at an increased/higher risk for food insecurity with nutrient-dense, affordable, and culturally appropriate foods.
Build	Nevada's food security ecosystem by increasing capacity and education.

# Goals and Objectives

- Lead – Enhanced cooperation, communication, and representation to support policy development and resource utilization.
  - Objective: Improve collaboration, communication, coordination, and information-sharing among food ecosystem partners.
    - Strategy: Organize and host an annual Food Security Summit/Conference.



# CFS Future Focus

- In 2024, the Council will continue to focus on the execution of the Food Security Strategic Plan and the State Health Improvement Plan Food Security Action Plan.
- Focus on distribution, support, and general food access.
- Targeted collaboration with our State and local partners – Home Feeds Nevada and Transportation.



# Acronyms

- CFS – Council on Food Security
- NRS – Nevada Revised Statutes
- USDA – United States Department of Agriculture



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