### THE PEOPLE'S KITCHEN

A California Public Benefit 501(c)(3) Non-Profit Corporation

### Mission and Values Statement

#### Mission

The mission of The People's Kitchen is to provide a hot noon meal to anyone who is hungry in San Luis Obispo. Toward that end, we have adopted a statement of values, which guides our planning and actions.

# **Service through Collaboration**

We believe service with an acute sense of urgency is fundamental to creating a hunger-free California. We collaborate and build strong relationships, based on trust, with and among those who share our vision of creating a hunger-free environment for all. We seek out and are responsive to the input and counsel of our volunteer partners.

# **Respect for Diversity**

We respect the inherent worth and dignity of every person and treat all with justice, equity and compassion. We honor the lives, concerns and stories of people in need and expect our volunteer partners to do the same. We accept one another and embrace all, regardless of race, gender identity, experience, economic status, religious affiliation or sexual orientation.

# Stewardship and Integrity

We keep faith with the public trust through the efficient and compassionate use of resources entrusted to us and are mindful that our mission is accomplished through the generosity of others. We act with honesty, trust and openness and deliver on commitments. Our intentions and actions will be transparent and above reproach. We evaluate and account regularly for how resources are used to implement and achieve our mission.