

Local Food Trends Snapshot Report

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Local Food Snapshot

- Provide overview of existing conditions and trends
- Report on implementation progress towards GO TO 2040 goals for local food production and food access
- Establish understanding of region's farms and agricultural products

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- Phase 1: Analyzing Local Food Trends
- Phase 2: Summarize Existing Activities
- Phase 3: Create Final Snapshot Report

Local Food Snapshot – Existing Activities

- Chicago Community Trust – Food:Land:Opportunity
- Openlands and Liberty Prairie Foundation – *Breaking Ground*
- Liberty Prairie Foundation – Farm Business Development Center
- Kane County – *Growing for Kane*
- CMAP – Local Technical Assistance

Local Food Snapshot – Existing Indicators

- Acreage of land in region being used to harvest food for human consumption
- Value of agricultural products sold directly to individuals for human consumption in the region
- Percentage of population living in food deserts

Local Food Snapshot – Food Access Indicator

- Percentage of population living in food deserts
- Food desert: percentage of the population that lives in a Census tract where the median household income is below the weighted average median income level for the seven counties and that has a low accessibility to large supermarkets
- Based on *Northeastern Illinois Community Food Security Assessment*, Chicago State University

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