

Healthy Franklin County Nutrition Task Force  
Food Insecurity Work Group  
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Present: Barb Houpt, Kari Coleman, Jay Eury, Sheryl Snider, Noel Purdy

Food Insecurity Map and Gap Analysis:

The group reviewed the map and made suggestions to add more data:

- Add traditional and Latino grocery stores
- Add back pack programs and summer lunch programs
- Add stores that accept food stamps EBT
- Add produce farms/stands

Jay explained that the map is a good planning tool but isn't necessarily the best for helping people in need; the 2-1-1 system is the best for that. However, the map could be enhanced to serve as a resource and education tool for those in the referral/service provider network. The map could be organized to address: 1. Emergency need, 2. Healthy supplemental food (like community gardens), 3. Long-term, increased availability of affordable food. Sheryl mentioned that other layers such as population density, educational attainment and a numbering system could be added, to tell more of story about economic and social conditions. She suggested adding images too to do a story map.

Food Distro Scale UP:

Look to increase volunteer capacity next season by finding a volunteer(s) to help during market season 1x month and to formalize data collection. Noel will try to do a ride-along with Kari this Saturday. The group also discussed formalizing a relationship with FCHA to assist as part of the scale up.

Promoting/Expanding partner efforts:

The groups discussed opportunities to increase access to SNAP/EBT; increase availability to Latino grocery stores. And to find a way to increase double your dollars. IS there a list of stores that take SNAP/EBT?