Growing Illinois Food Access Allocations

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Food Access in Illinois

- Tracts with poverty rate of 20% or higher, or tracts with a median family income less than 80% of median family income for the state or metropolitan area.

- Tracts which at least 500 people or 33% of the population lives farther than:
  - 1 mile (urban) or 10 miles (rural) from the nearest supermarket.

- Tracts in which more than 100 households have no access to a vehicle and are more than 1/2 mile from the nearest supermarket.

17 Projects In Progress Statewide
Economic Development

- SNAP-Education and Poverty
- Nurturing Youth and Workforce Development
- Cultivating Demand for Fresh, Local Produce in Communities and Food Pantries
- Creating Sustainable Programs, Partnerships and Outreach

Feeding America
Impact on Health

• Aligning with MyPlate and the 2015 Dietary Guidelines for Americans

• Increasing access to produce among high risk audiences
  • Tracking type and pounds

• Increasing client selection and incorporation of produce in diet

• Increasing consumption of fresh fruit and vegetables
  • Recipes
  • Tastings
Unique Partnerships

- Meeting the community’s needs and where they are
- Engaging a variety of partners
  - Opportunities for all!
- Aligning with I-PLAN, Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) and Community Health Needs Assessment (CHNA) completed by local governing bodies and