

The Outcome:

Community food security encourages integrated, community-focused strategies that emphasize progressive planning, increased collaboration, community responsiveness and ownership, and multi-sectoral strategies.



progressive planning

- Getting at the underlying causes of problems and designing preventative approaches
- Encouraging community-based visioning about the future of the food system

increased collaboration

- Bringing together a broad range of players to work together toward common goals
- Transcending top-down or expert-based decision-making and program delivery

community responsiveness & ownership

- Taking the broad needs of the community into account in development programs
- Expanding awareness and promoting a greater sense of ownership of food system issues
- Developing responses and strategies that are inclusive and that increase community access to information

multi-sectoral strategies

- Incorporating diverse sectors of society in developing solutions and alternatives, including the private, public, and nonprofit sectors
- Incorporating sustainable development strategies that integrate environment, public health and nutrition, urban economic development, and other quality of life needs.
- providing advocacy through a Regional FOOD POLICY COUNCIL