The Process:

The Community Food Security Movement

Community food security is a condition in which all community residents obtain a safe, culturally acceptable, nutritionally adequate diet through a sustainable food system that maximizes community self-reliance and social justice.

- Improving access to food for all people
- Eliminating hunger and food insecurity
- Locally supported agriculture and economic practices
- Creating a more democratic food production and distribution system among local communities
- Forming a more equitable and socially just food system
- Developing and environmentally sensitive food production and distribution system
- Teaching following generations about food production, preparation, and how to connect food issues with other community concerns
- Preserving and celebrating diverse cultures food

Community & food system participants
- Individuals
- Nonprofit & community-based organizations & coalitions
- Public agencies
- Private firms

Food system activities
- Production
- Processing
- Distribution
- Consumption
- Recycling of food system wastes

Promoting community food security

Community Development Objectives
- Preventing Hunger
- Enhancing Community health
- Strengthening local economy
- Revitalizing neighborhoods
- Conserving natural resources
- Developing just, equitable social processes and outcomes
- Preserving cultural heritage

Strategies for community change
- Mobilizing the community (organizing, coalition-building, collaboration)
- Community education and awareness
- Policy and legal advocacy
- Program design and development
- Social services development

Community Food Assessment