

Snapshot of Collier County, Florida

July–December 2021 Progress Report



Goals

- Build engagement and support for and credibility of the Food Policy Council as an effective deliberative body
- Develop a portfolio of policy and systems changes
- Strengthen communication and partnership across sectors
- Build a resilient supply chain for local growers of all scales



By the Numbers

- 15 partner organizations, including food pantries, faith-based organizations, and small- to medium-sized growers, convened to promote access to foods that support healthy eating patterns
- 89,848* individuals provided with foods that support healthy eating patterns

*This number includes some households served more than once

Success Story

Identifying gaps in representation and conducting outreach to community residents has increased both individual and organizational food policy council membership. The new cross-sector partners include food pantries, a faith-based organization and small- to medium- sized growers. This has ensured adequate representation of various sectors within the council to work collaboratively to fill food system gaps.

"Our partnerships established by the food policy council have and continue to address hunger and food insecurity by supporting local food producers, school food programs, food chain workers, food equity and food system resilience."

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