

Snapshot of Cumberland County, North Carolina

July–December 2021 Progress Report



Goals

- Sign a charter between Cumberland County and Fort Bragg Army Base that establishes a joint county/military Food Policy Council
- Commence a Food System Assessment, which will include development of at least three policy recommendations
- Implement at least two policies, systems or environmental priorities identified by the Food Policy Council



By the Numbers

- 3,203 individuals reached through public communications on social media
- 72 local food retail establishments assessed by 50 community members as part of the Food Environment Assessment
- 15 members appointed to the Cumberland County–Ft. Bragg Food Policy Council

Success Story

A major highlight from the Food Environment Assessment was the identification of: 1) opportunity sites for healthy food distribution; and 2) barriers to food access. Members of the Fayetteville–Cumberland Youth Council assisted in the assessment. They were trained in web-based data collection methods and provided invaluable support in conducting assessments. Soon, the data will be used to shape local policy changes.

"We had been looking for a trusted community agency to work closely with. Participation in the Challenge inspired us to seek and engage youth organizations that were knowledgeable and active in our community. Having youth voice and engagement are vital to influence policy and environmental change in the community."

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