THE DENVER VISION + ACTION FOOD PLAN

The food system directly relates to the economy, health, community, resiliency, and quality of life for Denver's residents and reflects the values of the community

DENVERS FOOD SYSTEM





FOOD PRODUCTION

Includes farms and ranches, suppliers of inputs (land, water, seeds, technologies, capital, etc), community and school gardens, as well as farmer and gardener education



FOOD PROCESSORS

Includes processing, packaging, snacks, ready to eat foods, preserves, and beverage manufacturing



FOOD DISTRIBUTORS

Includes food aggregators, distributors and brokers; grocery and related product merchant wholesalers; as well as, farm product raw material merchant wholesalers



FOOD RETAILERS

Includes supermarkets, convenience stores, specialty markets, specialty food services, farmers markets, restaurants, schools, hospitals, child and family food and nutrition programs



FOOD CONSUMPTION

Includes healthy food access, diet-related health outcomes, food-oriented community engagement, consumer education, and empowerment



In an effort to enhance and support our local food system, the City and County of Denver has pledged to develop the Denver Food Plan

This guiding document will encourage collaboration, identify clear timelines, attract new investment, stimulate innovation, and further position Denver as a world-class city where everyone matters

HEALTHY FOOD ACCESS -

Having access to convenient, affordable, healthy foods can contribute to overall well-being, along with youth achievement and decreased rates of chronic disease and premature death

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT -

As Denver continues to grow, demand for grocery stores, restaurants, specialty stores, farmers markets, and commercial kitchens grows as well. These demands create jobs and build strong local businesses

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT -

The food system plays a large role in a neighborhood landscape and how community members come together. People want to live in communities that have convenient, affordable food stores with fresh food choices. People also want to feel proud of their neighborhood and feel connected to the people and businesses located within walking distance

RESILIENCY

All of these work together to build a robust food system that keeps our city strong regardless of future changes

ENGAGE

Attend a community listening session



Participate in an online survey



And stay tuned for updates at: www.denvergov.org/FoodPlan



Email us your vision for the Denver Food System at DenverFoodPlan@denvergov.org:

