

## Our Core Values

Community

Education & Empowerment

Equity

Local

Health & Nutrition

Sustainability & Environmental Stewardship

Local Economy



## How to get involved

### Are you a stakeholder?

Stakeholders are involved in work groups and help to complete collaborative projects! We are always looking for new partners with diverse interests.

### Are you a community member?

Community members are invited to participate in work groups, provide feedback on projects, and volunteer with us! Community participation is vital to our coalition.

### Don't work in food, but want to help?

We welcome any and all help from an array of professionals (lawyers, doctors, engineers, community organizers, etc.). Let us know what you do and we can connect you with a project!

## Coalition Members



## Coalition Allies



## Advisors



Contact Melissa Vatterott, MCE's Food & Farm Director, at 314-727-0600, ext. 111 or [mvatterott@moenviron.org](mailto:mvatterott@moenviron.org).

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# St. Louis Food Policy Coalition

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Promoting a thriving local food system that supports the health, community, environment, and economy of the Greater St. Louis area.

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## About us

The St. Louis Food Policy Coalition (STLFPC) is a group of non-profit organizations, governmental agencies, and passionate individuals working together to address the food system needs of the Greater St. Louis area.

STLFPC bridges the many local efforts addressing hunger, food access, sustainable agriculture, nutrition, social justice, community, and economic development to form a coordinated, local food system.



## Our vision

A thriving local economy in the Greater St. Louis area where everyone has access to affordable, healthy food from local producers who are stewards of our soil, air, and water resources.



## Creating opportunities for...

### Affordable, healthy food

In the City of St. Louis, 57% of residents live in communities that have low household incomes and live more than 1/2 mile from the nearest grocery store. By working with urban and rural growers and non-profit markets, we hope to increase the amount of affordable, healthy food available across the St. Louis Region.

### Local, environmentally-responsible farmers

We all benefit from farmers who take care of our air, soil, and water. We are committed to lifting up environmentally-responsible farmers by finding them new markets and encouraging others to purchase their products. Our hope is that local food will one day source all of our grocery stores, institutions, and restaurants.

### Urban Agriculture

The City of St. Louis has much vacant land that could be converted into space for growing food. We accomplish this through policy changes and education on how to obtain land and how to grow food in our region. We support multiple organizations that provide education and work together to encourage urban growing and raising.

## Background

**There is a massive disconnect between people and food.** Our current food system is not feeding our people, supporting our communities, or ensuring the protection of our soil and water resources in Missouri.

**It's time to take back our food system.**

Establishing a community-based food system ensures that the needs of our community are met by connecting people to local, healthy food in environmentally, economically, and socially viable ways.

