

Cannon YMCA Share the Harvest Farm

Eat Smart, Move More NC Leadership Team
September 15th, 2015

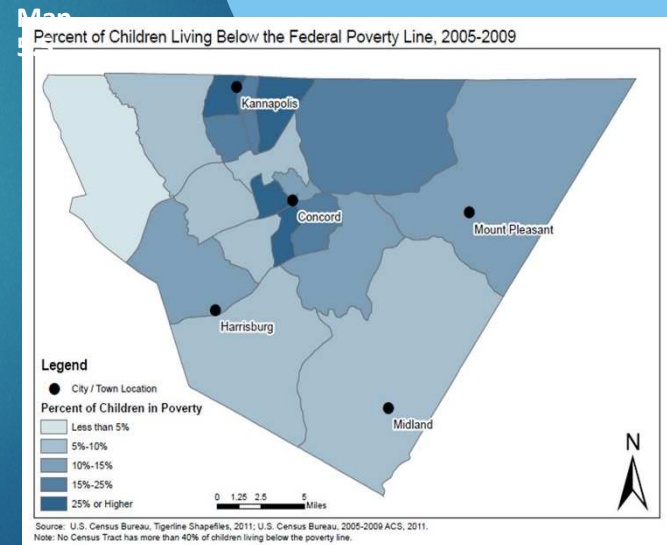
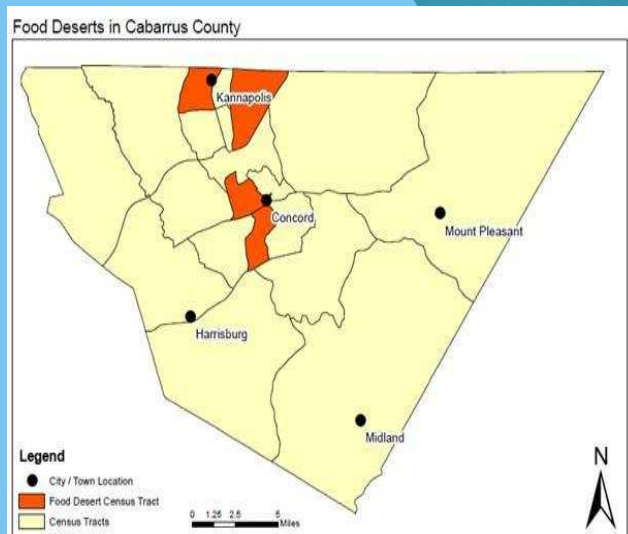


Hunger Relief & Food Access



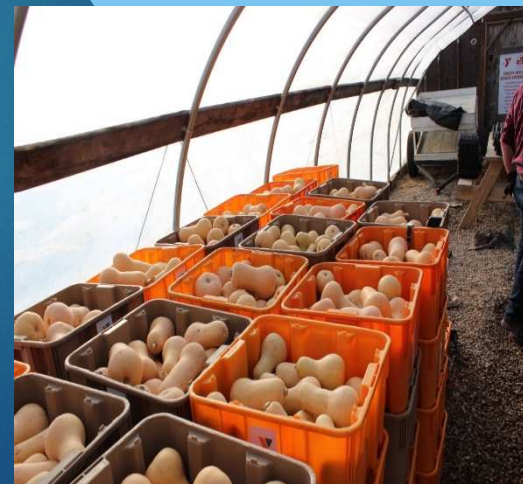
- ▶ *“There are 57 counties in the state with food deserts, but only 15 (**including Cabarrus**) have four or more within the county lines. This is significant because it means that residents living in these areas have poor access to fresh produce.”*

- ▶ -2012 Cabarrus County Environmental Health Assessment



Share the Harvest Farm Southport YMCA, Massachusetts

- 8 years of operation
- 4 acres of modern, farm-scale production
- 80,000 lbs. of vegetables in 2014
- 7000+ Volunteer Hours in 2014
- Support for 13 existing hunger relief efforts



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Success through partnership cooperation!!!



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2 acres of modern, farm-scale production
as the initial phase of a network of growing
locations

- YMCA: Operations & Program Development
- Cultivatis: Site Development
- McGill Baptist Church: Site One Sponsorship
- Peachtree Market: Distribution
- Cooperative Christian Ministry, Concord First Assembly and Meals on Wheels: Food Access

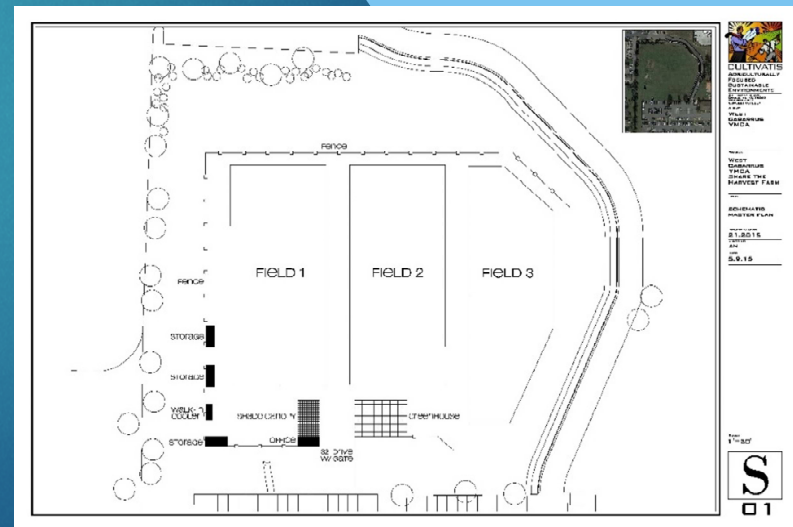


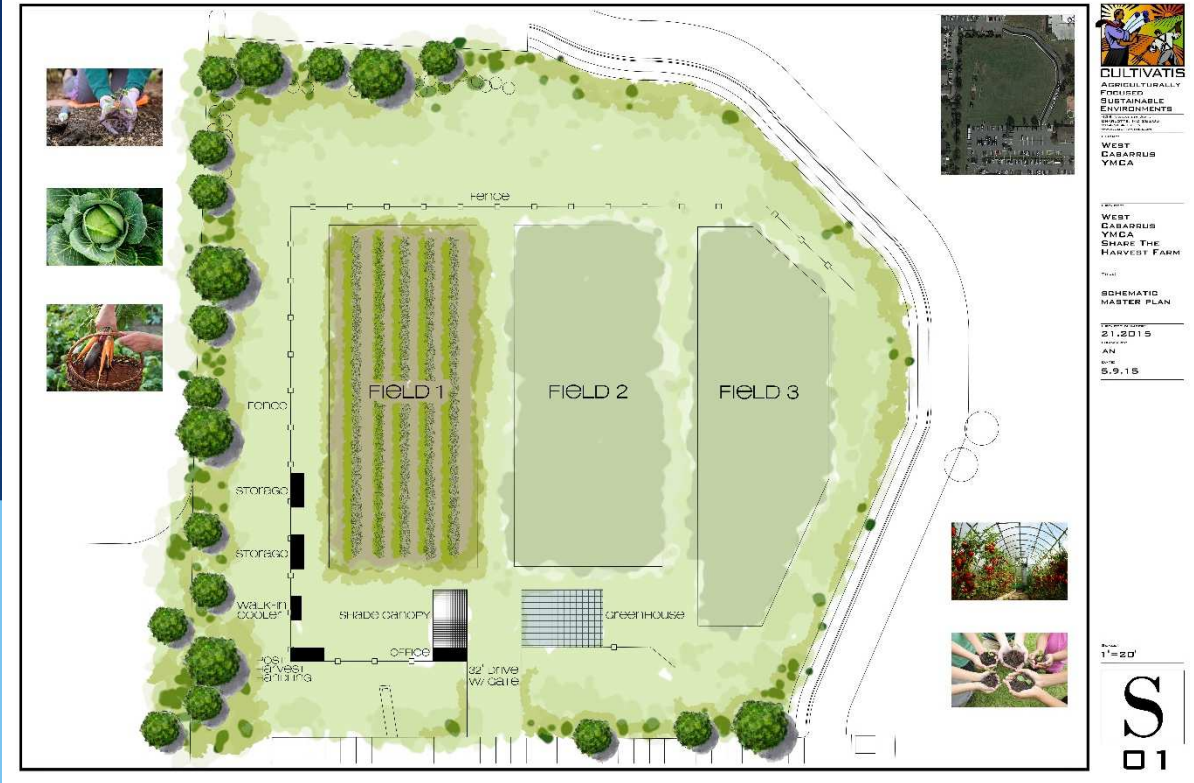
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Keys to Success:

- Community Partnerships
- Well-Coordinated Volunteers
- Established Hunger Relief Network
- Huge Public Interest
- Infrastructure Development Funding

- ▶ Sturdy, flexible & recycled facilities
- ▶ Appropriately scaled farming equipment
- ▶ Tools for volunteer labor force
- ▶ Focus on feeding the hungry in Cabarrus County





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Questions?

