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FOOD IN NEW MEXICO

The challenge is for New Mexico to become a food secure and food conscious state within five years. Food security means no New Mexican will suffer hunger. Food consciousness is the widespread awareness of what constitutes clean, healthy food, where it comes from and how it can best be enjoyed. The focus of the research will be: 1) production/processing; 2) distribution; and 3) preparation. There will be overlap in these areas. Resources explored will be governmental, non-governmental organizations, business/commercial, and individual.

The following inventory of resources is random and has not yet been organized by importance.

1. Feeding America feedingamerica.org Data-heavy overview of food bank and food pantry distribution.
2. New Mexico CYFD, ECS, FNB summerfoodnm.org Preparation and distribution of school childrens' meals.
3. Santa Fe Food Depot thefooddepot.org Local example of a well-functioning food bank.
4. SFCC jerry.dakan@sfcc.edu Culinary arts department faculty member experienced in quantity preparation of hot meals.
5. Bristol (UK) regional programs goingforgoldbristol.co.uk bristolfoodnetwork.org <https://www.sustainablelearning.com/resource/best-bristol-virtual-fieldtrip-cool-cooking?destination=teaching-resources/best-of-bristol> Example of a comprehensive food system in the Bristol region of the United Kingdom.
6. Vermont state plan vtfarmtoplate.com Food system plan in state of Vermont.
7. UK food movement sustainablefoodplaces.org Program networking sustainable food plans throughout the UK.
8. Liege (Belgium) food programs <https://www.liege.be/fr/vivre-a-liege/commerce/alimentation-locale> <https://www.robhopkins.net/2018/03/26/a-delicious-taste-of-the-future-in-liege/> Municipal food initiatives in Liege, Belgium.
9. Local Distribution App cropswap.com Concept of free app connecting producers.
10. Stealth Food Banks <https://thecounter.org/stealth-food-banks-undocumented-immigrants-coronavirus-covid-19/> Food banks to serve vulnerable populations during covid.
11. Farm to Food Bank <https://www.csmonitor.com/USA/Society/2020/0623/Farm-to-food-bank-Moving-farmers-from-dump-to-donate> Summary of U.S. programs to salvage surplus farm food.
12. Ecological Farming (Greenpeace) <https://storage.googleapis.com/planet4-international-stateless/2016/12/b254450f-food-and-farming-vision.pdf> Principles of sustainable ecological farming.
13. International network of transition groups <https://transitionnetwork.org/> Community movements for transition, some specifically about food.
14. 100% Community/100% Food annaageeight.org Very detailed roadmap for transformative food programs, with extensive links. The "100% Food" document is a comprehensive, data-driven approach to transformation.
15. Personal interviews Street level interviews with providers of food services, producers and distributors, and participants in food programs is obviously essential in formulating any reality-based plan.