Food Desert Research

Most of the research being done on food deserts is occurring at the local level. Cities such as Savannah, Chicago, and Birmingham have been conducting research regarding food deserts and prevention. http://www.fooddesert.net/

Author Michael Pollan suggests mobile grocery stores or "MoGro"s as one solution to food deserts. New Mexico has also provided this solution.

 $\frac{http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2011/05/16/mobile-groceries-food-deserts_n_862547.html}{http://www.good.is/post/food-desert-solution-mobile-supermarkets/}$

Chicago plans on introducing farmer's markets.

http://www.chicagotalks.org/2009/06/16/a-solution-for-chicagos-food-deserts/

Baltimore wants to turn two of its libraries into virtual supermarket where residents can order their groceries and pick them up at the libraries.

http://news.change.org/stories/baltimores-innovative-solution-to-food-deserts

Detroit simply wants to increase the amount of supermarkets in the area where food deserts are prominent. http://civileats.com/2009/09/02/finding-food-desert-solutions/

The Food Trust in Pennsylvania is working along with 30 different farmer's markets as a part of their farmer's market program. They are also working to enact this program in Illinois, Louisiana and New York. The Food Trust has also launched efforts in Maryland as well. www.thefoodtrust.org

In Virginia, there is a program called "The Virginia Cooperative Extension" which instructs others how to grow vegetables. http://www.todaysdietitian.com/newarchives/092208p48.shtml

Some of Denver's nonprofits and community organizations are encouraging residents to grow their own fruits and vegetables. http://shareable.net/blog/community-solutions-to-food-deserts

Community Supported Agriculture or farms which grow crops and sell shares of the crops for others in the community have been introduced as a possible solution.

 $\underline{http://rice beans mixed greens.word press.com/2008/05/01/urban-food-deserts-problems-and-partial-solutions/}$

For additional information information can be found at this website http://www.whyhunger.org/programs/fslc/topics/food-deserts.html