

Food Policy Councils

(Information based on internet search – links, etc available in larger document if interested)

States without Food Policy Councils

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| Delaware | Idaho |
| Minnesota | Nebraska |
| Nevada | New Hampshire |
| North Dakota | Rhode Island |
| South Dakota | Utah |
| West Virginia | Wyoming |

States with Local Food Policy Councils

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| Alabama | - Jefferson Food Council -Huntsville Food Policy Council (Hunger, Food bank usage) |
| California | -Oakland Food Policy Council -Humboldt Food Policy Council |
| Colorado | -Denver Sustainable Food Policy Council |
| Connecticut | -New London Food Council -New Haven Food Policy Council (Childhood obesity) |
| Florida | -Palm Beach Community Food Alliance -Saratoga Food Policy Council |
| Georgia | -Atlanta Local Food Initiative |
| Illinois | -Tri-State Food Policy Council -Chicago Food Policy Council |
| Indiana | -New London County Food Policy Council |
| Iowa | -Tri-State Food Policy Council -Southwest Iowa Food and Farm Initiative |
| Kentucky | -Louisville Food Policy Advisory Council |
| Maryland | -Baltimore City Food Policy Task Force |
| Massachusetts | -Holyoke Food Policy Council (Obesity) -Worcester Food Policy Council |
| Michigan | -Detroit Food Policy Council |

- Greater Grand Rapids Food Systems Council
- Missouri
 - Tri-State Food Policy Council
- New Jersey
 - Camden Food Security Advisory Board
- New Mexico
 - Santa Fe Food Policy Council
 - New Mexico Food and Agriculture Policy Council
- Ohio
 - Cleveland-Cuyahoga County Food Policy Coalition
- Pennsylvania
 - Adams County Food Policy Council
 - Pittsburg Area Food Policy Council
- Tennessee
 - Knox County Food Policy Council
- Texas
 - Austin Sustainable Food Policy Board
- Vermont
 - Burlington Food Council
- Washington
 - Clark County Food System Council
 - Seattle-King County Food Policy Council
- Wisconsin
 - Dane County Food Council

States with State-wide Food Policy Councils

*Twenty-two (22) states have state-wide food policy councils

- Alaska
 - Alaska Food Policy Council
 - Non-profit
 - Housed: State Of Alaska Health and Social Services
 - Mission: Information unavailable
- Arizona
 - Arizona Food Policy Coalition
 - Voluntary
 - Housed: Community Food Connections
 - Mission: leverage planning and partnerships, interact among state agencies, business and community groups in order to enhance communication, maximize resources, develop measurements for community food security, build a five year policy agenda for the Arizona legislature, improve strategies that promote local purchase
- Arkansas
 - Arkansas Food Policy Council
 - Non-profit
 - Housed: Information unavailable

- Mission: emphasizing the connection between health, and food and farm policy in order to make healthy foods available and affordable. They also focus on retaining farmers in order to create sustainability within the region.

Colorado

- Colorado Food Policy Council
- Information on whether the council is voluntary or mandatory is unavailable
- Housed: Sustainability Alliance
- Mission: Improving the health of the community through awareness and education.

Florida

- Florida Food Policy Council
- Information on whether the council is voluntary or mandatory is unavailable
- Housed: United Way of Palm Beach County
- Mission: Information unavailable

Hawaii

- Hawaii Food Policy Council
- Voluntary
- Housed: Information unavailable
- Mission: also working to influence the 2012 Farm Bill to reflect their personal goals. They are also focusing on Farm-to-School in order to combat child obesity.

Iowa

- Iowa Food Policy Council
- Voluntary
- Housed: Information unavailable
- Mission: sustainability of local foods and making changes to the food system through “education, analysis and project facilitation.” They are currently also working to influence the 2012 Farm Bill to reflect their personal goals. They are also focusing on Farm-to-School in order to combat child obesity.

Kansas

- Kansas Food Policy Council
- Non-profit (funding provided by USDA’s Community Foods Project Program)
- Housed: Kansas Department of Agriculture
- Mission: promoting local production, make clear rules and regulations to Kansas farmers, encourage programs helping lower income populations to use locally grown foods, increasing participation rates in government nutrition assistance programs, improving health by school based nutrition, reduction of childhood obesity and creating a surplus of food, water and safe air quality.

Louisiana

- Louisiana Sustainable Food Policy Council
- Mandatory
- Housed: Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry
- Mission: fostering relationships between others and the Louisiana food system, promoting locally grown foods to school lunch systems, government assistance programs and other public services.

Maine

- Maine Food Policy Council
- Mandatory

- Housed: Department of Agriculture Food and Rural Resources
- Mission: to foster public input through hearings and meetings, review state programs, practices and regulatory systems that affect the food supply system while making recommendations to resolve the conflicts, fostering relationships between private and public entities of food production, ensure that state programs are efficient and are promoting locally grown foods

Maryland

- Maryland Food Policy Council
- Voluntary
- Housed: Governor's Office for Children, Partnership to End Childhood Hunger in Maryland
- Mission: Information unavailable

Massachusetts

- Massachusetts Food Policy Alliance
- Voluntary, non-profit
- Housed: Project Bread
- Mission: increasing local food production, sustaining and enhancing the Massachusetts and regional agricultural economy, expanding access and consumption of state and regionally produced foods, promoting sustainability in the food system, improving the health of citizens, protect farmland and support the next generation of food producers.

Mississippi

- Mississippi Statewide Policy Council
- Information regarding whether the councils mandatory or voluntary is unavailable
- Housed: Resources for Health and Economic Renewal in the Mississippi River Delta
- Mission: advocating for food and farm policies that build healthy communities and strengthen local food systems.

Missouri

- Missouri Sustainable Local Food Policy Council
- Mandatory
- Housed: Missouri Department of Agriculture
- Mission: assessing foods in the public school system, making sustainable local food available, evaluating the impacts that the production of sustainable local food would have on economic development, identifying local and regional efforts that can provide information and training programs to assist entrepreneurs and local farmers who are related to a sustainable local food economy.

Montana

- Montana Food System Council
- Voluntary
- Housed: Montana Food
- Mission: making a sustainable food system, ensure that citizens have affordable and consistent access to nutritious food and ensure that the food system sustains the region's ecology and becomes a source of economic development and job creation.

New Mexico

- New Mexico Food and Agriculture Policy Council
- Voluntary

- Housed: Farm to Table
- Mission: food service and food processing regulations, supporting the enactment of state Farm to School policies that have gained the state's family farmers access to new markets.

New York

- New York State Council
- Mandatory
- Housed: Information unavailable
- Mission: bringing together the public, producers and government together to improve food production and delivery systems and ensuring that citizens are equipped with fresh and safe, healthy foods

North Carolina

- North Carolina Sustainable Local Food Advisory Council
- Mandatory
- Housed: North Carolina Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services
- Mission: building the local food economy, stimulating economic development and circulation money from local food sales within local communities.

Oklahoma

- Oklahoma Food Policy Council
- Information regarding whether the council is voluntary or mandatory is unavailable.
- Housed: The Kerr Center for Sustainable Agriculture
- Mission: contributing to building the local food economy, stimulating economic development and circulation money from local food sales within local communities.

Oregon

- Central Oregon Food Policy Council
- Voluntary
- Housed: Information unavailable
- Mission: achieving a sustainable and just food system by promoting healthy food access, public policy advocacy and through networks and knowledge sharing.

South Carolina

- South Carolina Food Policy Council
- Voluntary
- Housed: South Carolina Department of Agriculture
- Mission: Information Unavailable

Virginia

- Virginia Food System Council
- Information regarding whether the council is voluntary or mandatory is unavailable.
- Housed: Virginia Food Security Summit
- Mission: advancing a locally grown, nutritious and safe food system for all income levels.