

Local Foods Local Places Action Plan - Goals, Actions, and Leads At-a-Glance - Current as of October 2020

Action #	Action Title	Lead First Name	Lead Last Name	Lead Organization/Business/Municipality
GOAL 1 - Strengthen Access To Local Food While Expanding Market Opportunities and Infrastructure for Farm and Food Businesses				
1.1	Conduct a feasibility study to determine the demand and need for a shared-use processing space, storage facility, and commercial kitchen.	Emmy Sherie	Anderson Blumenthal	Community Development Institute St. Mary's Nutrition Center
1.2	Conduct a feasibility study to determine the potential of renovating the Lewiston Middle School Kitchen for job training and school- and community-wide meals that feature locally sourced ingredients.	Lead Vacancy		
1.3	Identify and secure a year-round, indoor/outdoor, permanent location for the Lewiston Farmers Market that is walkable from downtown Lewiston-Auburn and holds the potential for growth and expansion.	Ben Sherie Joshua	Daley Blumenthal Nagine	Lewiston Farmers Market Lewiston Farmers' Market Lewiston Farmers' Market
1.4	Build awareness and increase use of existing and emerging direct-to-consumer food-connection platforms.	Lead Vacancy		
1.5	Conduct a feasibility study of a cooperatively run, low-cost, local foods store in the Tree Streets neighborhood.	Emmy Sherie	Andreson Blumenthal	Community Development Institute St. Mary's Nutrition Center
GOAL 2 - Integrate Local Food and Agriculture into City Planning and Economic Development Strategies				
2.1	Pass the Food Sovereignty Act in Lewiston	Jesse	Tannenbaum	Eli's Homestead Good Food Council of Lewiston-Auburn
2.2	Ensure that food and farm sectors are represented as critical to and integrated in Auburn's 2020-2030 comprehensive plan. This includes crafting a robust and inclusive community engagement process to identify priorities.	Good Food Council of Lewiston-Auburn Consultants hired by the City to Guide the Comprehensive Plan Process		
2.3	Pass urban agriculture ordinances in Lewiston and Auburn	Good Food Council of Lewiston-Auburn		
		Jesse Shelly	Tannenbaum Norton	Eli's Homestead Androscoggin Valley Council of Governments
2.4	Develop a regional economic growth strategy to support agricultural production, processing, and distribution to grow the agriculture sector and bring new business and jobs (e.g. new farmers).	Scott	Benson	Lewiston Auburn Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce
GOAL 3 - Build Food and Agriculture as a Defining Brand for Lewiston-Auburn				
3.1 & 3.2	Craft a Request for Proposal (RFP) and hire a consultant to co-create a local foods/ag brand identity for Lewiston-Auburn. Ensure the proposal selected encompasses a community-driven process to create the brand.	Scott	Benson	Lewiston Auburn Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce Good Food Council of Lewiston-Auburn
GOAL 4 - Increase equitable access, ownership, and preservation of land to grow food in Lewiston-Auburn				
4.1	4.1a: Assist New Roots Cooperative Farm, the Somali Bantu Community Association, and other potential farmland seekers to purchase and secure farmland. 4.1b: Record process of securing land so it may be used by other land seekers.	Ashley Muhidin Jim Omar	Bahlkow Libah Hanna Hassan	Somali-Bantu Community Association Somali-Bantu Community Association Somali-Bantu Community Association New Roots Cooperative Farm, & CDI
		Jonah Hussein	Fertig-Burd Muktar	Sewall Foundation Cultivating Community
4.2	Develop a local land fund that provides land loans and grants that are specifically interest-free loans.	Jonah	Fertig-Burd	Sewall Foundation
4.3	Increase awareness among landowners and land seekers about organizations that support land access, land transfer, land preservation, and land justice	Ethan	Miller	Land In Common
4.4	Create sustainable land access for subsistence farmers and gardeners who seek to grow food for their families and community.	Muhidin Ashley Sherie	Libah Bahlkow Blumenthal	Somali-Bantu Community Association Somali-Bantu Community Association St. Mary's Nutrition Center

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