

Healthy Food Financing:
Advancing Health &
Equity through Policy

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The Food Trust helps make healthy food affordable and easy to find in supermarkets, corner stores and farmers' markets.

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The Food Trust makes food education a priority for **children** and **adults**, encouraging health in the classroom, at home and in the community.

The Food Trust promotes wellness through community health and youth leadership, and celebrates the joy of food with Night Market Philadelphia.

The Food Trust connects local farmers to the people they serve through farm to school initiatives and healthy food incentive programs.



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Healthy Food Financing: Improves Health, Creates Jobs



Fresh Grocer opens at Progress Plaza in North Philadelphia, December 2009

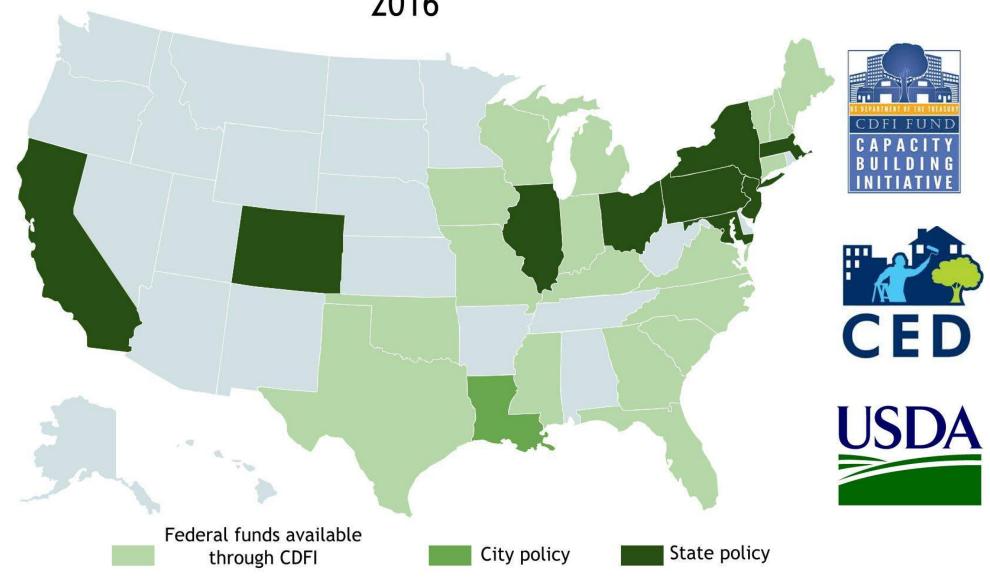




Pennsylvania Success Story

- \$30m state seed investment → \$190m total project costs
- 88 projects statewide
- 5k jobs created/retained
- 400,000 people with improved food access
- Store development, expansion, and renovation

Healthy Food Financing 2016



Statewide Campaign for the Massachusetts Food Trust



"The Commonwealth of Massachusetts should develop and seed a flexible financing program that provides grants, loans and technical assistance to support the development, renovation and expansion of supermarkets and other retailers selling healthy foods in underserved communities."

MA Grocery Access Task Force, 2012

- 2010 MA Mapping Report
- 2012 MA Policy Recommendations
- Authorization in 2014 Environmental Bond Bill
 - \$2m at Dept. of Ag; program at Office of Business Development
- Asks in 2016:
 - \$500,000 in the FY17 budget
 - \$10 million authorized over 5 years (bond funds) in Economic Development Bill

Support the Healthy Food in MA

CALL your state and US legislators:

- Massachusetts Food Trust
- Federal Healthy Food Financing Initiative

ATTEND the upcoming State House event:

- The Massachusetts Food Trust: From Concept to Impact
- March 29th from 11AM-12PM
- House Member's Lounge

SIGN ON in support:

http://tinyurl.com/HealthyFoodFinancing

Healthy Food Access Portal





www.healthyfoodaccess.org

