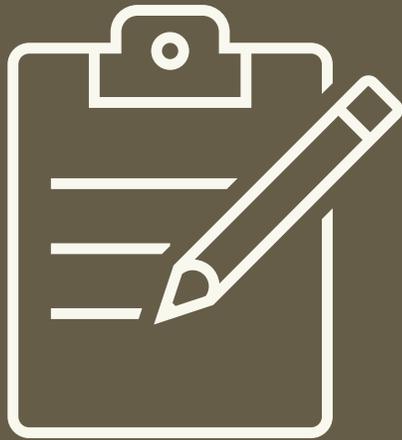


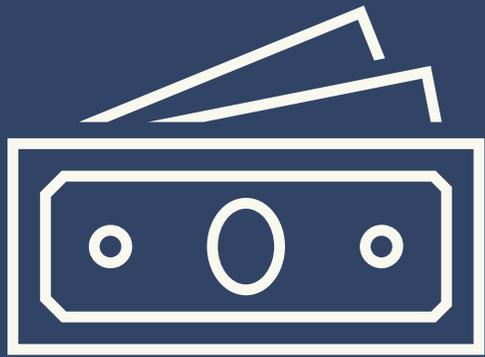
KEY PRACTICES & PRINCIPLES FOR ESTABLISHING EQUITABLE AND RESILIENT FOOD SYSTEMS

Local and Regional Food Systems Resilience Playbook





LRFS leaders must **identify systemic barriers** to ensure that those most impacted by a disruption can access resources and information.



Impacted communities must have **access to resources, markets, and expertise** to ensure flexible, redundant, and innovative adaptations in times of disruption.



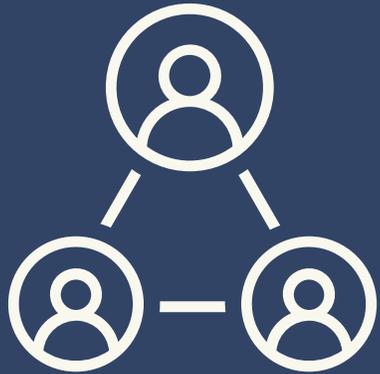
Resources and relationships must **incorporate different scales** of operations and diverse stakeholder groups to make sure that response efforts are aligned and efficient.



Share with and learn from related food system networks across market channels, regions, or other factors to introduce new expertise, examples, and resources in times of disruption and growth.



Ongoing and regular community dialogue is necessary to develop shared visions for vibrant, equitable food systems and identify and evaluate areas of change, growth, and needed adaptation.



Have connections with networks and partners who can adjust, innovate, and respond to geographically-specific supply chain needs, have a broad and skilled work force, and **leverage deep connections** with, and knowledge of communities.



Develop long-term preparedness, response and recovery strategies incorporating **cross-sector relationships**, public/private partnerships & grassroots/government initiatives that reinforce each other by sharing information, resources, and relationships.

Guiding Questions for Discussion

- Considering the current state of knowledge, resources, strategies, and relationships within our local or regional food system:
 - Which of these principles are strong or well realized?
 - Which of the principles are we in the process of enacting?
 - Are there any principles that are not at all present, and what can be done to address that absence?
- What are examples of what these principles look like in action for our community?
- Can we identify examples of a clear absence of one or more of these principles in our local or regional food system? Whose perspective or experience should we learn from to understand and address the issue?

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