# **Local Food Systems Community Engagement**

## Potential Stakeholders

#### **Agricultural Service Providers**

- o Cooperative Extension / Advisory Board members
- o Farm Service Agency staff / Advisory Board members
- Master Gardeners
- Natural Resource Conservation Service
- Soil and Water Conservation District / Advisory Board members
- Non-profit Agricultural Service Providers

## **Elected Officials / Government Offices / Volunteer Commissions**

- o City Manager / County Manager
- State Legislators
- Mayor
- o County/City Commissioners or Council members
- o Planning Department / Planning Commission members
- o Tourism Department
- o Public Health Department
- Environment/Sustainability Office
- Workforce Development Office
- o Parks and Recreation
- o Economic Development
- o Procurement Departments

## **Service / Community Groups**

- o Chamber of Commerce
- Community Development Commissions
- Civic clubs (e.g. Rotary, Kiwanis)
- Food Bank
- o Faith-based organizations
- o Farmworker advocates (e.g. Student Action for Farmworkers)
- Local Land Trust

## **Education Community**

- o Local High Schools (FFA)
- Community Colleges
  - w/agriculture education courses/curriculum
  - w/Small Business Centers
- o Institutions of Higher Education
- o Child Nutrition Directors

#### **Funders / Potential Funders**

- Community Foundations
- o Farm credit agencies/Banks
- o Local Philanthropic institutions

## **Local / Regional Farmers**

- Existing farmers
- Aspiring farmers

## **Community of Health**

- o County Health Department
- Health practitioners
- o Hospital

## **Gardening Groups**

- Community Gardens
- o Gardeners
- o Garden Clubs
- o FoodCorps

## **Local Food Groups**

- o Farmers markets
- o Food Hubs/Food Aggregators/Produce marketing groups
- Produce marketing cooperatives

#### **Local Businesses**

- o Banks
- o Chefs
- Grocery stores
- o Hardware / Home Improvement Store
- o Planners/Architects/Landscape Architects

### Media

- o Television / Radio stations
- Local Bloggers
- o Newspapers

#### Individuals

 Include citizens from diverse ethnic and economic backgrounds and of diverse ages