

Since 1999, focusing on comprehensive and integrative community development on Lansing's Eastside, while working in close collaboration with regional partners.

Food Resources Continuum

Breadbasket

Market

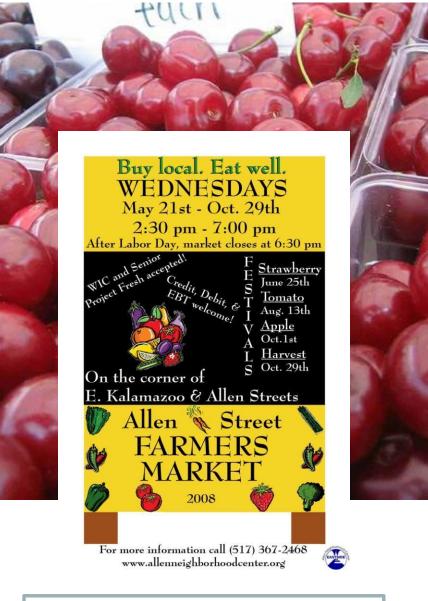
GardenHouse

Yard Gardening

Next Step: Allen Street Food Hub



Moving from emergency food to Self-Reliance



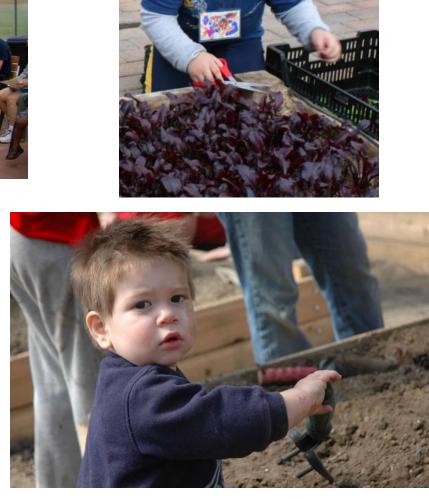
Allen Street Farmers Market



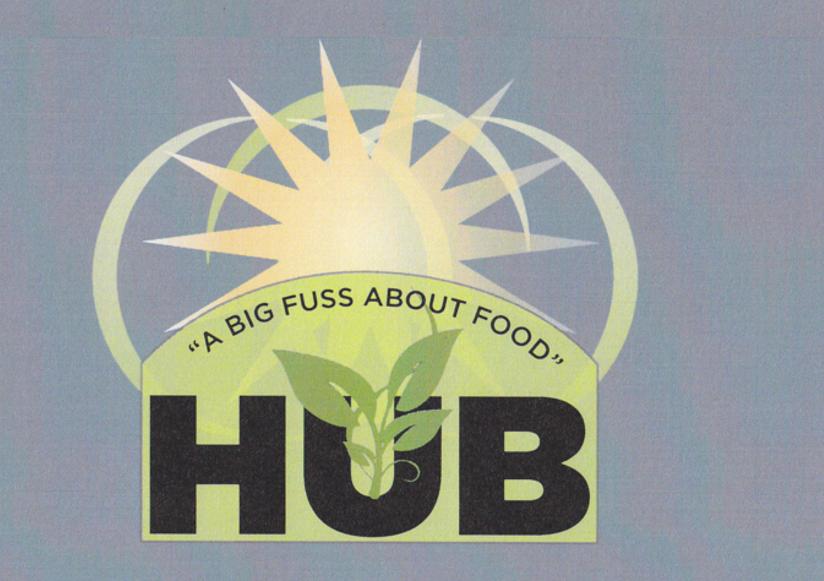


Hunter Park GardenHouse









Allen Street Food Hub

Year Round Farmers Market

Fresh food access for low-moderate income families

EBT, WIC, Debit/Credit friendly

Provides regional farmers with a year round venue for selling produce

Music, Kids Table, Food Chatter, Market Walk and other activities to create a lively, weekly gathering through the colder months

Incubator Community Kitchen

Low cost micro-business and value-added product creation

- Culinary arts apprenticeships and training
- Educational food preparation and preservation programs for vulnerable individuals and families

Food Storage

Large, rentable walk-in coolers available for:

- Yard and community gardeners
- Farmers and market vendors
- Rural and urban farmer co-ops

Aggregation and Distribution

"The Exchange"

Linking regional growers to food service managers, restaurateurs, caterers, hospitals, and others interested in buying local.



Food Hub – Outside during construction, September



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MDARD funding will support

- Completion of the Build-Out
- Purchase and Installation of Coolers/Wash Station
- Operations for Year 1 (Personnel, Promotion, Supplies)



The Allen Street Food Hub will catalyze a whole new set of food, health, energy, and entrepreneurial projects impacting the mid-Michigan Food System.

Thank you!