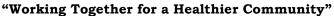
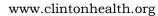


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A Food Action Plan for Clinton County

Plattsburgh, New York: The Clinton County Health Department (CCHD) has been working with ChangeLab Solutions, a national public health law and policy nonprofit, to develop a Food Action Plan (FAP) that will help guide Clinton County towards a healthy, equitable, and thriving food system over the next 10 years. This work was supported by the New York State Health Foundation.

Throughout 2021, a dedicated group of professionals identified gaps and opportunities in the local food system, spanning from food production to food waste management. The group also drafted proposed strategies to address these challenges. "We are ready to share the preliminary plan with the community at large and to get to work," says Mandy Snay, Director of Health Planning & Promotion for the Clinton County Health Department. "We are eager to share the ideas and results of many discussions and we encourage feedback and input from residents."

Clinton County's Food Action Plan will serve as a roadmap for local government agencies, hospitals, community-based organizations, businesses and resident groups to coordinate their efforts. This will allow the community to collectively strengthen and enhance the food system and sustain the realized improvements. Having shared goals and priorities will also better position Clinton County to take advantage of funding opportunities and participate in regional efforts.

The primary goals of the Clinton County Food Action Plan are to:

- 1. Increase access to healthy, nutritious, and affordable foods;
- 2. Reduce the amount of food waste and increase the recovery of unused, edible food for community use; and
- 3. Support the local food and agricultural economy.

Residents can view the Clinton County Food Action Plan here: http://www.clintonhealth.org/pdf%20files/ClintonCountyFoodActionPlan.pdf Feedback can be shared with CCHD through its website or social media platforms.

About the Clinton County Health Department:

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