

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: Good afternoon, my name is Chloe Green and I am a Bill Emerson National Hunger Fellow from the Congressional Hunger Center. During my placement at the LA Food Policy Council, I have updated our Food System Dashboard, which is a comprehensive measurement tool comprised of both quantitative and qualitative data regarding the health, affordability, sustainability, and fairness of our local food system. We have tracked over 250 indicators over the past several years, and the data clearly shows that South LA is the only neighborhood to have more liquor stores and convenience stores that serve alcohol, cigarettes, and highly processed foods than grocery stores with healthy and nutrient dense food options. While this number continues to increase, it is no coincidence that these underserved neighborhoods - which are primarily made up of people of color - also have the highest rates of obesity and diet-related chronic diseases such as Type 2 Diabetes.