





# Foundations & Healthy Food Finance: Investing in CDFIs to Improve Access to Healthy Foods in Low-Income Communities



#### **Introduction**

- Framing the Challenge
- CDFIs and Healthy Food Access
- CDFIs and Foundations: Powerful Partnerships
  - St. Luke's Health Initiatives
  - The California Endowment
  - The Colorado Health Foundation
- Finding a CDFI Near You



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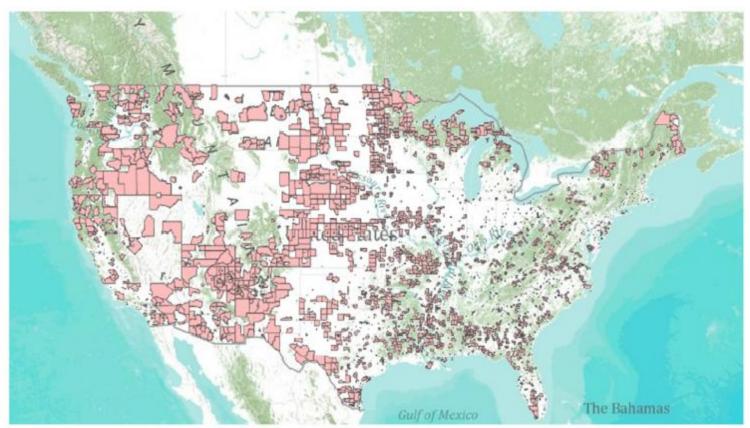
# **Framing the Challenge**







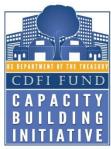
## **USDA Map of Food Desert Locations**



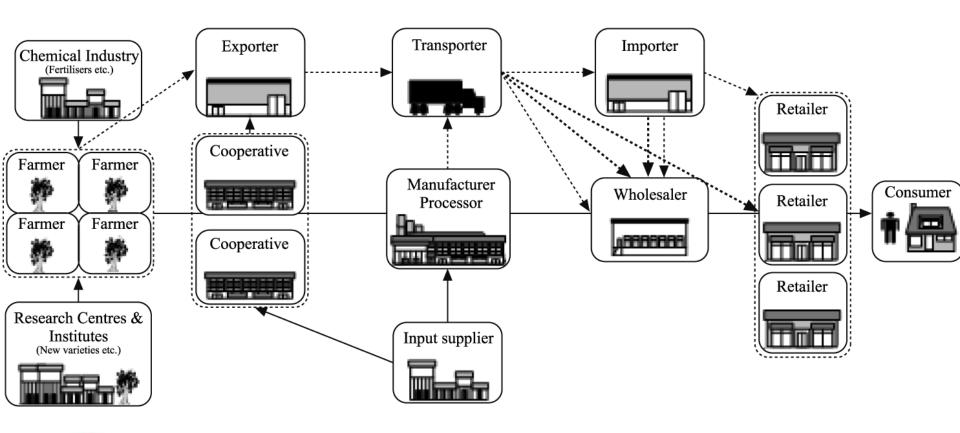


#### **Traditional Grocers have Fled Communities**



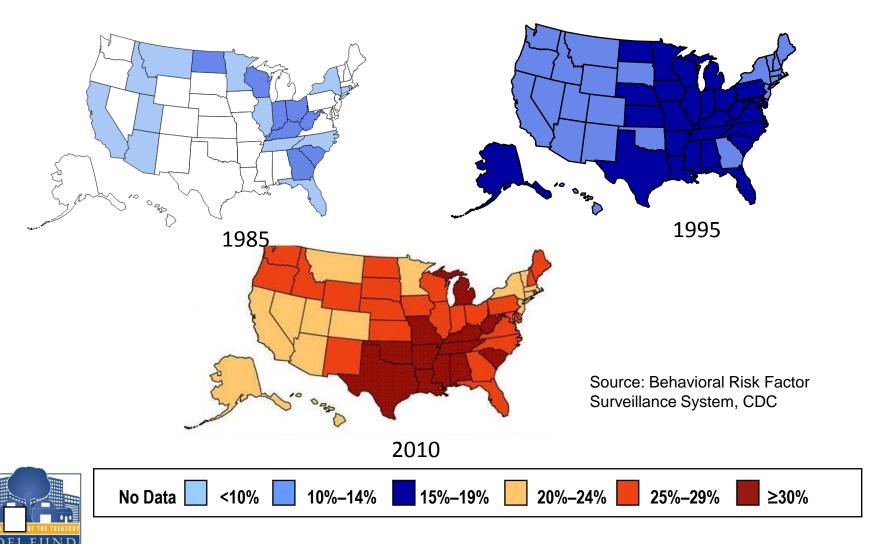


#### **Distances from Farm to Plate have Increased**





#### **Obesity Trends in the US**





#### Fresh Food Access: **A Critical Public Health Issue**

Public health experts – Increasing fresh food access necessary strategy to combat obesity

Growing evidence – Connection between increased access and better health outcomes



















# **CDFIs: Increasing Access to Healthy Food**



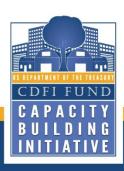
#### What is a CDFI?

- CDFI: Private financial institutions dedicated to delivering responsible, affordable lending to low-income communities
- Types: Banks, credit unions, loan funds, venture funds
- Financing Sectors: Small business, microenterprise, nonprofit organization, commercial real estate, and affordable housing



### Scope of the CDFI Industry

- 35 year track record of lending and impact
- 1,000 CDFIs in the United States
- 2010 industry statistics:
  - \$6 Billion of New Lending -- \$30 Billion Outstanding
  - >35,000 Jobs
  - >60,000 Units of Affordable Housing
  - >16,000 Responsible Mortgages
  - Average Charge-Off Rate of 2.5%



### **History of CDFIs and Healthy Food Access**

#### Pennsylvania Fresh Food Financing Initiative

- The Reinvestment Fund (CDFI)
- The Food Trust (Food Access Organization)
- State & City Governments
- Private Funders including Foundations

90 approved stores

\$190 million invested

Total Est. Project Costs for Approved Applicants

1.7 million sq. ft. Developed/Refreshed

Total Est. Sq. Ft. Developed/Refreshed

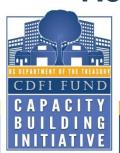
5,000 jobs

Total Est. Jobs Created/Retained



# **Healthy Food Finance: State & City Programs**

- Pennsylvania
- New York
- New Orleans
- California
- New Jersey
- Illinois
- Colorado/Denver
- Arizona
- Georgia
- South Carolina
- More







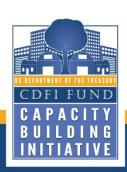




#### The CDFI Fund

The CDFI Fund, within the U.S. Department of Treasury, promotes economic revitalization and community development through investment in and assistance to community development financial institutions (CDFIs)

- Financial Assistance Awards
- New Markets Tax Credit Allocations
- Bank Enterprise Awards
- Native Initiatives
- Capacity Building Initiatives



# **CDFI Fund's CBI for Financing Healthy Food Options**

#### **Food Production**

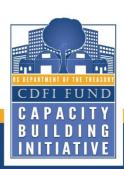
- Farms
- Ranches
- Fisheries
- New Kinds of **Farms**

#### Mid Food Chain Enterprises

- Value-Added **Production**
- Food Aggregation
- Food Distribution
- Waste Management

#### **Food Retailers**

- Grocery Stores
- Food Co-Operatives
- Public Markets
- Farmers' Markets
- Community Supported Agriculture
- Mobile Vendors



# **CDFI Fund's CBI for Financing Healthy Food Options**

- **Trainings**: 8 trainings nationwide; 195 individuals trained
  - 4 workshops in food retail
  - 2 workshops in mid-tier
  - 2 workshops in food production
- **1-to-1 Technical Assistance:** 44 CDFIs are receiving one-on-one TA from a roster of experts; over 1,800 hours of TA committed
- Technical Assistance Webinars: 600+ people have attended 22 original webinars
- **HFFI Assistance Awards:** Over \$43 million since FY 2011



### **Working With Foundations**

- Healthy Food Financing Initiative Financial Assistance Program (CDFI Fund)
  - Requires a 1:1 non-federal match
  - CDFI Fund makes the award in the same form as the eligible matching funds
  - Applicants are only required to present 25 percent of their match at the time of application











# **CDFIs and Foundations: Powerful Partnerships**



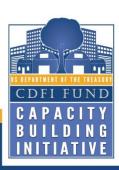
#### **Arizona Activities**



A Catalyst for Community Health

#### ARIZONA MULTIBANK

Community Development Corporation



#### St. Luke's Health Initiatives

- History and Mission
  - Conversion foundation/public charity
  - $\sim $100,000 \text{ in assets}$
  - 17 years ago began as traditional funder
  - Health policy research, technical assistance and strength based community development
  - Value based health care (VBHC) and healthy eating active living (HEAL)





# SLHI's Work to Improve Access to Health Foods

- Healthy Eating Active Living Initiative
  - Incorporating healthy community design in general plans and other municipal policies
  - Improving the built environment
  - Promoting access to healthy food
    - Urban agriculture policies
    - Reducing food deserts





# **Learnings and Insights**

- New Territory
  - New languages
  - New contacts and relationships
  - New work





## **Working with CDFIs**

- Making the Connection with CDFIs
  - Who are they? Or what are they?
  - It's all about relationships





### **CDFI Partnership Benefits**

- Opportunities/resources available
  - Technical assistance through Capacity Building Initiative (CDFI Fund & OFN)
    - Workshops
    - Webinars/online training materials
    - PolicyMap
    - Jeff Brown
    - Extensive network of contacts





# **Complementary Relationship**

- Mutual benefit for CDFI and Foundation
  - CDFIs have the business and finance side
  - Foundations have the community connections
- Good partnership





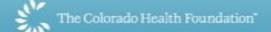




# Together

# Colorado's Fresh Food Financing Effort

September 27, 2012





#### Our Vision

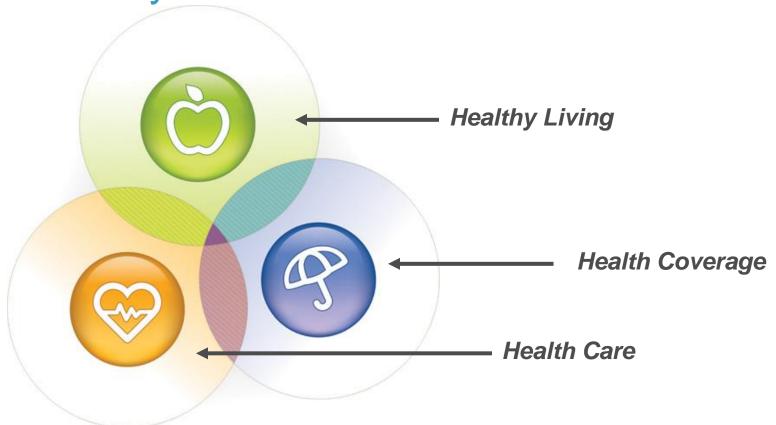
Together, we will make Colorado the healthiest state in the nation.







# **Community Outcomes**







# Colorado Fresh Food Financing: how did we get here?

- The Food Trust/Pennsylvania Fresh Food Financing Initiative
- Held a Supermarket Summit
- Commissioned Supermarket Report
- Grant to Denver Environmental Health
  - Denver Healthy Food Access Task Force Recommendations

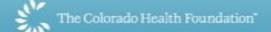




#### Colorado Fresh Food Financing Fund

Working group on healthy food financing with representation from:

- Colorado Housing and Financing Authority
- Mile High Community Loan Fund
- Colorado Enterprise Fund
- City of Denver's Office of Economic Development
- Rocky Mountain Farmer's Union
- The Colorado Health Foundation



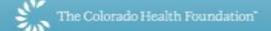


#### Colorado Fresh Food Financing Fund

Launch: early 2013

**Purpose:** to help remove <u>financing</u> obstacles from the construction, expansion and renovation of grocery stores and supermarkets in underserved areas

Partnerships: local CDFIs, foundations and lenders
Intended outcomes: improved health outcomes and community/economic development





#### Our partnership with CDFIs

- Fresh food financing will serve as test case
- Aligned goals and target population
- Reach the non-choir
- Additional benefits such as economic development



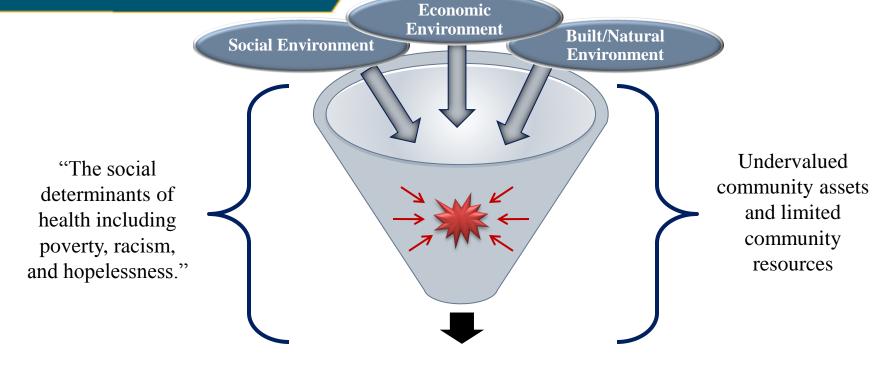
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# Health Happens Here...



### **Poor Health Outcomes**

How do we make investments to create healthy social, economic, and built/natural environments?



# **Building Healthy Communities**



Building Healthy Communities is a 10-year, \$1 billion program of The California Endowment. 14 communities across the state are taking action to make where they live healthier. They're doing this by improving employment opportunities, education, housing, neighborhood safety, unhealthy environmental conditions, access to healthy foods and more. The goal: to create places where children are healthy, safe and ready to learn. Ultimately, we're aiming at nothing less than a revolution in the way all of us think about and support health for all Californians.







#### **The Communities**

Boyle Heights City Heights East Oakland Richmond South Los Angeles

Central Santa Ana Del Norte County and Adjacent Tribal Lands East Salinas (Alisal) Sacramento Southwest Merced/

East Merced County

Central/Southeast/ Eastern Coachella Valley Long Beach South Kern Southwest Fresno



# The California FreshWorks Fund

The California FreshWorks Fund is a public-private partnership loan and grant fund created to finance grocery stores and other forms of healthy food retail and distribution in underserved communities throughout California. It is modeled after the PA Fresh Food Financing Initiative and has been developed to align with the National Healthy Food Financing Initiative.



Healthy Food. Closer To Home.

**Fund Size:** \$272.8 million

**Uses of Capital:** Loans & Grants

Capitalization: Debt & Grants

**Program Eligibility:** CA Healthy Food Retailers & Distributors

Must serve low/moderate income

communities with low access to healthy food

retail

# California FreshWorks Fund Goals

Access



Increase access to healthy food as a means to improve health outcomes.

**Economic Development** 



Spur economic development that supports healthy communities

Innovation

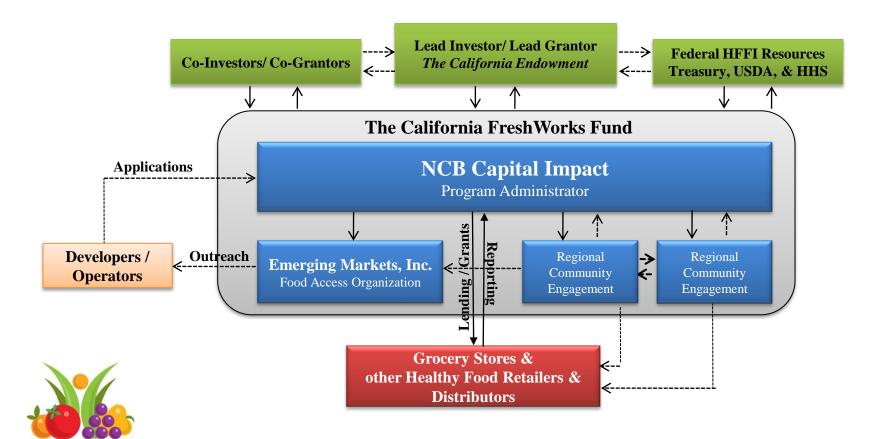


Encourage innovation in healthy food retailing and distribution

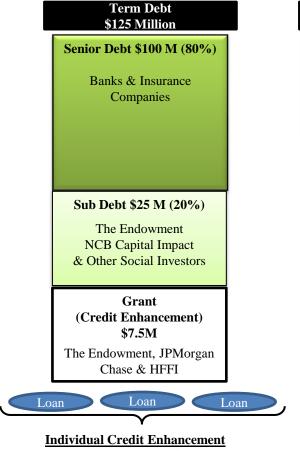


# **Initiative Structure**

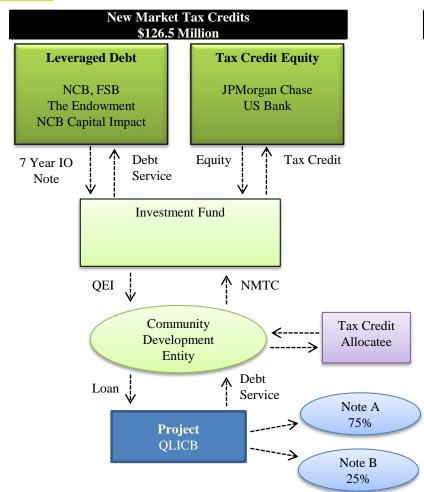
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# Capital Structure



SBA 7a, USDA B&I, CalCap, Etc.



#### Other Lending \$12.7 Million

#### PRI \$4.5M

NCB Capital Impact & **Foundations** 

#### **Grant \$8.2M**

HFFI, The Endowment & Other Foundations

Higher risk capital for innovative projects and/or projects that have the ability to repay but are not traditionally underwriteable.



# **Partners**

#### **Industry**

Unified Grocers
CA Grocers Association
Emerging Markets, Inc.

#### Nonprofit

PolicyLink
Community Health Councils
Social Compact

#### Government

State of California
CRA of Los Angeles
USDA Rural Development
CDFI Fund

#### **Investors**

The California Endowment
NCB Capital Impact
JP Morgan Chase
Kaiser Permanente
Kellogg Foundation
National Healthy Food
Financing Initiative (HFFI)

Bank of America
Bank of America Foundation
Calvert Foundation
Charles Schwab Bank
Citi
Dignity Health
First 5 LA

JPMorgan Chase Foundation

MetLife

Morgan Stanley

NCB, FSB

Opportunity Finance Network

US Bancorp CDC



# CAFWF Initiative Community Investment Note

The California FreshWorks Fund Initiative provides investors with a way to support CAFWF through the purchase of Calvert Foundation's Community Investment Note.\* This will allow stakeholders across California to support healthy food access and economic development in underserved communities. Notes are available online, in brokerage accounts, and with a check and application.

Min Investment: \$20

Rate & Terms: 0.5% for 1 yr

1.0% for 3 yrs



Min Investment: \$1000

Rate & Terms: 0.5% for 1 yr

1.0% for 3 yrs

NCB Capital Impact

Program Administrator

Lending / Reporting Grants

Grocery Stores & other Healthy Food Retailers & Distributors

www.calvertfoundation.org/healthyfood



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# FreshWorks Fund Lending Overview

Loans up to \$8 million to finance projects that create or expand healthy food retail in low access areas:

**Capital Projects** 

- Building / land acquisition, to 90% LTV based on 1st DoT
- New Construction / Expansion, to 90% LTV based on 1st DoT
- Tenant Improvements, to 60% LTV, based on leasehold collateral value

Equipment

- New equipment, up to 100% of cost
- Used equipment, up to 60% of appraised value

**Working Capital** 

- Inventory, up to 35% of gross value
- Other working capital, based on demonstrated need, ability to repay, and available collateral



# FreshWorks Fund Grants Overview

Grants from \$25,000 - \$50,000 for projects with demonstrated need, to support priority areas:

Innovation

- Innovative projects with high potential to increase food access
- Innovations in product placement and merchandizing
- Write down costs for projects that are otherwise infeasible

Workforce
Development and
Local Hiring

- Outreach, recruitment and hiring activities for local hiring
- Employee training programs for local hiring

Predevelopment

- Early costs for capital projects, such as market studies, appraisals
- Predevelopment grants may be recoverable for projects that successfully obtain permanent financing



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# What Roles can CDFIs Play?

Innovative partner to solve problems in low-income communities

- Convener
- Catalyst
- Source of financing
- Risk capital
- Conduit to leverage public or private grant dollars
- Link between stakeholders



# What Roles can Foundations Play?

- Convener & facilitator
- Grants (research, planning, evaluation, re-granting)
- Program Related Investments (PRIs)
- Mission Related Investments (MRIs)
- Matching Funds for Federal Finance Programs







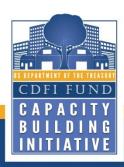


# **Additional Resources**



# Finding a CDFI Near You

- U.S. Treasury, CDFI Fund <a href="http://www.cdfifund.gov/what-we-do/programs-id.asp?programID=9">http://www.cdfifund.gov/what-we-do/programs-id.asp?programID=9</a>
- Opportunity Finance Network http://www.opportunityfinance.net/industry/industry\_locator.asp



## **Financing Healthy Food Options Resource Bank**

http://www.cdfifund.gov/what we do/FinancingHealthyFoodOptionsResourceBank.asp





#### Financing Healthy Food Options Resource Bank

#### I. Training Curriculum

- \_
  - Healthy Food Retail Financing

Food Systems Overview

- Financial Services for Mid-Tier Food Chain Enterprises
- NMTC & Urban Supermarkets
- Understanding the Grocery Industry
- Underwriting Supermarkets & Grocery Stores
- Mid-Tier Food Chain Enterprises Overview & Underwriting
- Capitalizing Healthy Food Retail Initiatives
- Identifying Optimal Areas for Supermarket Development
- Understanding the Food Production Sector
- Credit Skills for Lending to the Food Production Sector
- Food Producers Case Studies
- Identifying Partners and Convening Stakeholders

#### II. Training Webinars

#### III. Additional Resources

- Searching for Markets: The Geography of Inequitable Access to Healthy and Affordable Food
  - Executive Summary
  - Full Report
- Financial Resources Catalogue

#### **IV. Food Desert Mapping Tools**

- USDA Food Desert Locator
- PolicyMap





## **Financing Healthy Food Options Webinar Archive**

http://www.cdfifund.gov/what we do/FHFOResourceBankWebinars.asp



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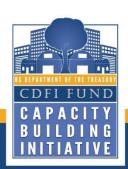
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