

REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

The Northern Food Network (est. 2010) supports and connects groups in northern and remote communities through sharing information and influencing policy.

Food Matters Manitoba (est. 2006) facilitates a provincial-level food charter, organizes and participates in multiple regional networks, stimulates policy change, coordinates regional programming.

Growing Food Security in Alberta (est. 2003) focuses on community-level actions, facilitates participatory conversations among rural populations.

Food Secure Saskatchewan (est. 2006) stimulates policy change, encourages a comprehensive, integrated food security strategy.

The British Columbia Food Systems Network (est. 1999) stimulates policy change, supports bioregional and thematic conversations, integrates Indigenous food sovereignty.

CANADIAN FOOD NETWORKS

Propagating the Food Movement

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Like a rhizome, Canada's food networks are heterogeneous, decentralized, and deeply interconnected. The networks demonstrate collaboration while encouraging diverse inter-related strategies that push the logics of system transformation. The map highlights some of these food initiatives and the regional organizations that are working to create connections across issues, sectors, and scales. Together, they are propagating a more just, sustainable, and democratic food system.

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Sustain Ontario: The Alliance for Healthy Food and Farming (est. 2008) facilitates working groups, stimulates policy changes, coordinates meetings and events.

La Coalition pour la souveraineté alimentaire (est. 2010) promotes policies and activities that further the self-determination of food production and consumption choices.

The Food Security Network of Newfoundland and Labrador (est. 1998) is involved in advocacy, consultations, collaborative projects, public awareness and education.

The New Brunswick Food Security Action Network (est. 2010) facilitates networking related to research, education and community engagement.

The Prince Edward Island Food Security Network (est. 2008) is involved in research and education, food costing, advocacy, improving producer livelihoods, supporting self-reliance.

The Nova Scotia Food Security Network (est. 2006) oversees multiple participatory food projects, and participates in other regional networks.



RHIZOMES Horizontal, underground plant stems that create complex root systems. Can expand relentlessly, lie dormant for years, and re-emerge as healthy plants in different locations when the internal and external conditions are right.

INITIATIVES

01 FarmFolk/CityFolk
VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA Supports community-based sustainable food systems by protecting food-growing lands, public education, advocacy, and alliance building

02 Healthy Eating and Active Living (HEAL)
NORTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA Combats chronic disease through network building in the North

03 Hinton Community Garden Society
HINTON, ALBERTA Runs an all-season, organic

community garden and two re-purposed greenhouses

04 Sustainable, Equitable, Local and Regional System for Food
CENTRAL ALBERTA Maps food resources to build an action plan for a more equitable and environmentally sound food system

05 Muskoday Organic Growers Co-op
MUSKODAY FIRST NATION, SASKATCHEWAN Works with youth and elders to reclaim First Nations food sovereignty by emphasizing indigenous agricultural heritage

06 The North End Food Security Network
WINNIPEG, MANITOBA Supports existing initiatives and provides education and resources to low income communities

07 Harvest Moon Society
CLEARWATER, MANITOBA Supports rural environments and sustainable agriculture through an annual festival, a local food-buying club, and a rural learning centre

08 Eat Local Sudbury Coop
SUDBURY, ONTARIO Operates a retail outlet and community working space to build relationships

between eaters and producers

09 The Stop Community Food Centre
TORONTO, ONTARIO Offers a comprehensive approach to addressing food issues through food access, food skills, education, and engagement

10 FarmStart
GUELPH, ONTARIO Supports the next generation of farmers to develop economically viable and ecological agricultural enterprises, through training, market research, and resources

11 Santropol Roulant
MONTREAL, QUEBEC Operates a community hub providing healthy food using urban agriculture

12 Équiterre
MONTREAL, QUEBEC Encourages ecological and equitable choices through ecological horticulture, transportation, fair trade, and responsible consumption

13 Landless Gardeners
FREDERICTON, NEW BRUNSWICK Cultivates organic vegetables communally on donated lawns of private landowners

14 The Ecology Action Centre's Food Action Committee
HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA Increases collective food access and self-reliance through research and action projects

15 Root Cellars Rock!
NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR Celebrates the province's unique agricultural heritage by storing the harvest in traditional ways

16 Yukon Hospital Traditional Diet Program
WHITEHORSE, YUKON Works with local hunters,

outfitters, and conservation officers to provide traditional foods to Indigenous patients

17 Inuvik Community Greenhouse
INUVIK, NORTHWEST TERRITORIES Runs a community hub providing fresh ecological produce along with events, information, and resources

18 Nunavut Country Food Market
IQALUIT, NUNAVUT Connects producers with consumers by giving hunters a venue to sell their catch directly to other community members