

Vancouver Park Board Local Food Action Plan Update Survey

We are seeking your feedback as we update the Vancouver Park Board 2013 Local Food Action Plan (plan).

The plan was adopted in 2013 to help guide the Park Board to become a leader in supporting and growing local, sustainable food. It was written by a Task Force including staff, community leaders, community organizations, and advisory councils. The plan had 4 priorities, 8 goals and 55 actions and provided a framework for the management and enhancement of park-based food assets and services such as: community or learning gardens, urban orchards, native berry shrubs, food and gardening programs, community kitchens, food access programs, markets, concession stands, partnerships, funding, and food events.

All of this helps people to grow, prepare, share, buy, or learn about food locally.

The new plan will guide how Park Board parks, community centres, programs, and community connections contribute to a just and sustainable local food system. We hope the new plan will also reflect several City of Vancouver and Park Board priorities that have emerged since 2013 including: a commitment to Truth and Reconciliation and an increased focus on Indigenous food systems; an equity and access-based approach; a focus on resilience to climate change, emergencies and the COVID-19 pandemic.

We want to know what you value and envision for the future when it comes to park-based food assets and services. Your feedback will help us determine priorities, goals and actions for the next 5-year plan. Please complete this survey by **January 28, 2021** and mail it back to:

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Alternatively, you can scan or take a photo of the survey and email it to pbgreen@vancouver.ca.

Please flip this page over to start the survey.



1. Which types of Park Board food assets and services have you visited or been involved with in the past year? (check all that apply)



Community garden plot (gardens with private plots for each family or individual)



Shared or educational food garden (gardens shared by a group)



Urban orchard (fruit trees)



Native berry shrubs in a park



Community composting



Concession stand at a park or beach



Restaurant in a park or golf course



Farmers market



Community kitchen or a food, cooking, or gardening program or event at a community centre



Meal program (free or low cost meals provided) at a community centre



Fieldhouse food event or workshop (fieldhouses are little houses in parks with community groups who offer events and workshops to the public)

Others (please specify):

2. Thinking about your neighbourhood, how easy is it to access the following Park Board food assets and services? (Please rate below 1 to 5)

	Very difficult to access	Difficult to access	Don't know	Easy to access	Very easy to access
Community garden plot (gardens with private plots for each family or individual)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Shared or educational food garden (gardens shared by a group)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Urban orchard (fruit trees)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Native berry shrubs in a park	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community composting	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Concession stand at a park or beach	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Restaurant in a park or golf course	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Farmers market	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community kitchen or a food, cooking, or gardening program or event at a community centre	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Meal program (free or low cost meals provided) at a community centre	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fieldhouse food event or workshop (fieldhouses are little houses in parks with community groups who offer events and workshops to the public)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Others (please specify):	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

3. If you rated any food assets and services as difficult or very difficult to access, please share your thoughts on what makes it difficult to access (e.g. distance from home, transportation, financial limitations, wait lists, etc.).

4. What types of existing food assets and services do you think should be expanded or prioritized in Park Board land, facilities, and programs? Check your top 5.

- Shared or educational food garden (gardens shared by a group)
- Urban orchard (fruit trees)
- Native berry shrubs in a park
- Community composting
- Concession stand at a park or beach
- Restaurant in a park or golf course
- Farmers market
- Community kitchen or a food, cooking, or gardening program or event at a community centre
- Meal program (free or low cost meals provided) at a community centre
- Fieldhouse food event or workshop (fieldhouses are little houses in parks with community groups who offer events and workshops to the public)
- Others (please specify):

5. Why did you choose the above food assets and services as your top choices?

6. What types of new food assets and services (not mentioned above) do you think are important to add to Park Board land, facilities, and programs?

7. What do you think can help increase access to Park Board food assets and services including for historically underserved communities in the Vancouver?

8. How has the pandemic affected access and involvement with local food and/or Park Board food assets and services (for you personally or for other people or communities you know)?

9. How can Park Board food assets and services support food resiliency (people being able to access appropriate food even during emergencies) during the current pandemic and future emergencies?

10. Any other comments or ideas you would like to share?

Demographics

It's important to us that we hear from a diverse group of people and perspectives. The following questions help us determine how the feedback we receive represents the community.

Do you rent or own your home?

- Own
- Rent
- Prefer not to say
- Other (please specify): _____

What is your postal code? *Note: if you do not have a postal code you can use one for a neighbourhood you spend time in* _____

How do you describe your gender identity?

- Woman
- Man
- Non-binary/gender diverse
- None of the above. I identify as: _____
- Prefer not to say

Do you have children under the age of 19 in your household?

- Yes
- No

Which age group do you belong to?

- 19 yrs and under
- 20-29 yrs
- 30-39 yrs
- 40-49 yrs
- 50-59 yrs
- 60-69 yrs
- 70+yrs

Residents of Vancouver and those connected to the city in other ways, come from many different backgrounds. This question helps us understand if we're hearing from and reflecting the diversity that is Vancouver.

What do you consider your main ethnic origin or that of your ancestors? Check up to two.

- Indigenous (First Nations, Metis, Inuit)
- European (e.g. British Isles, German, French, Greek, etc.)
- Asian (e.g. Chinese, Filipino, Korean, etc.)
- South Asian (e.g. Punjabi, Indian, Pakistani, etc.)
- Central/South American (e.g. Mexican, El Salvadorian, Argentinian, etc.)
- African (e.g. Moroccan, Ghanaian, South African, etc.)
- Middle Eastern (e.g. Lebanese, Iranian, Syrian, etc.)
- Caribbean (e.g. Cuban, Jamaican, Bajan, etc.)
- Oceanian (e.g. Australian, New Zealander, etc.)
- None of the above. I identify as: _____
- Prefer not to say