Highlights from the District's Food System Assessment (2018)

The DC Food Policy Council's annual Food System Assessment reports on key indicators within the District's food system, highlights food policies and programs, and provides recommendations for advancing a more equitable, healthy, and sustainable food system.

Food insecure households
Then: 13.2% (2012-2014)  

Gardens
Then: 32 community gardens (2010)  
Now: 73 community gardens (2017)

127 school gardens (SY 15-16)  
Now: 134 school gardens (SY 17-18)

Percent of low-income students eating breakfast and lunch
Then: 66.6% (SY 14-15)  
Now: 67.7% (SY 16-17)

Summer meals served
Then: 947,700 (2015)  

Healthy Corners
Then: 33 (2011)  
Now: 71 (2017)

We're also tracking:

- Large, full-service grocery stores throughout the city 41 (2018)
- Urban farms in the District 18 (2018)
- Farmers markets in the District 62 (2017)
- Tons of food waste collected at Food Waste Drop Offs 170 (2018)
- Prevalence of diabetes across the city 7.7% (2016)

We will collect data on these key food indicators annually to report on trends over time.

These key findings are from the District's 2018 Food System Assessment. The full report will be available at dcffoodpolicy.org in spring 2019.