

TEAM
DUFFERIN 2025

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Share
&
Orangeville Food
Bank

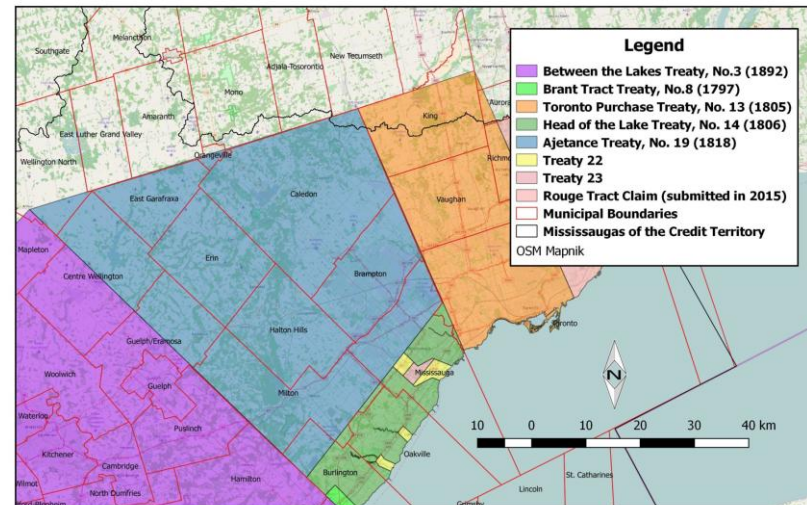
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RECONCILIATION

Aaniin Boozhoo – “Thank you” for having us
In the spirit of reconciliation, we learn a new Anishinaabe word to
honour the Treaty 18 & Treaty 19 lands we reside on.



Municipal Boundaries Related to the Ajetance Treaty, No. 19 (1818)



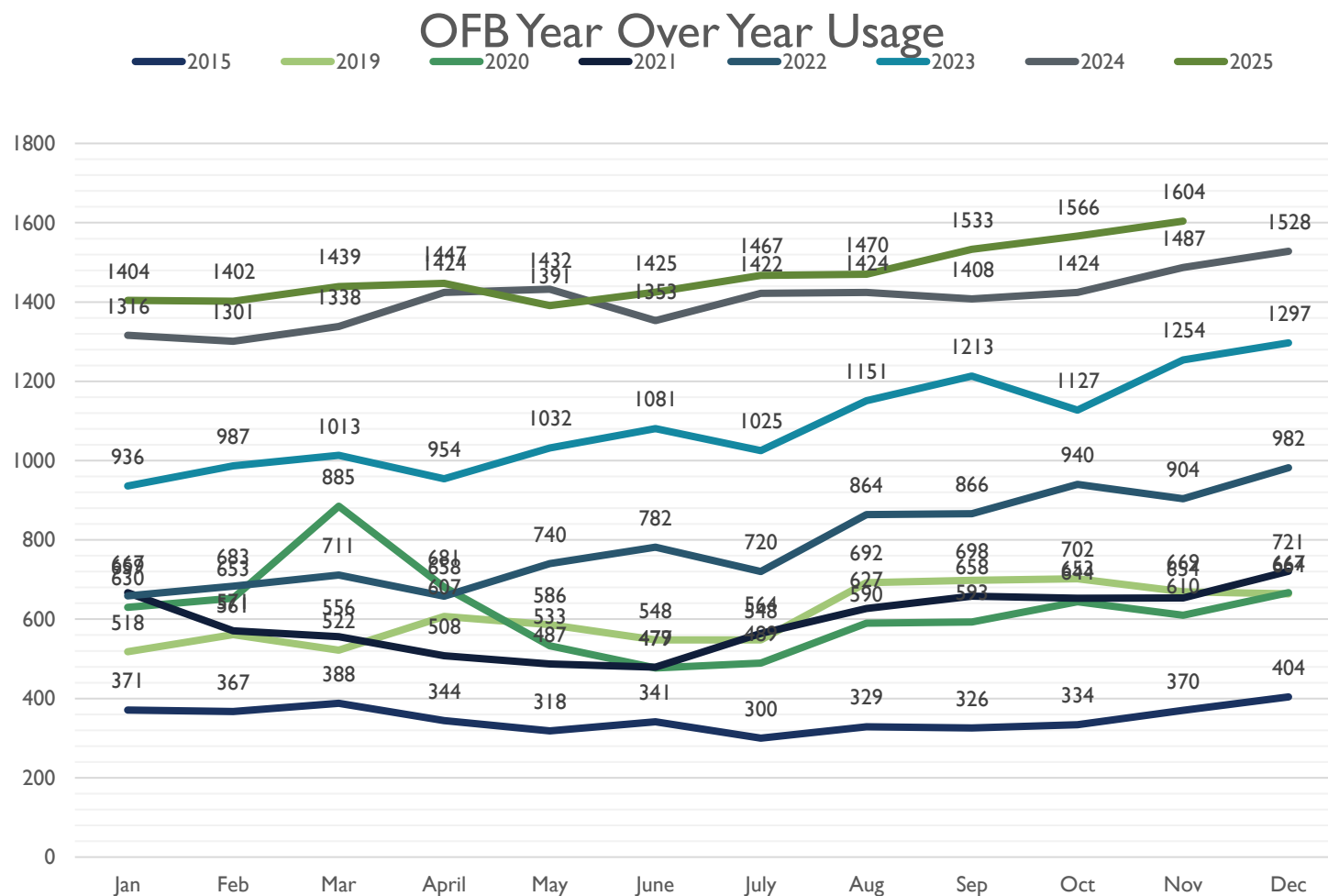
DUFFERIN FOOD SHARE GRAND VALLEY

We are pleased to announce our new location as of August 26th, 2025
27 Main St N – “the old schoolhouse”

This new location will have offices available to other not for profits to increase access to services for residents where they live

30,000 lbs. of food has been distributed through the shopping model, and we are striving to meet our goal of 50% perishables in the coming year.

OFB & DUFFERIN FOOD SHARE YEAR OVER YEAR USAGE



Year over Year Increases

2020/2021 = - 4%

2021/2022 = +28%

2022/2023 = +37%

2023/2024 = +38%

2024/2025 = +13%

Nov 24 vs Nov 25 = +8%

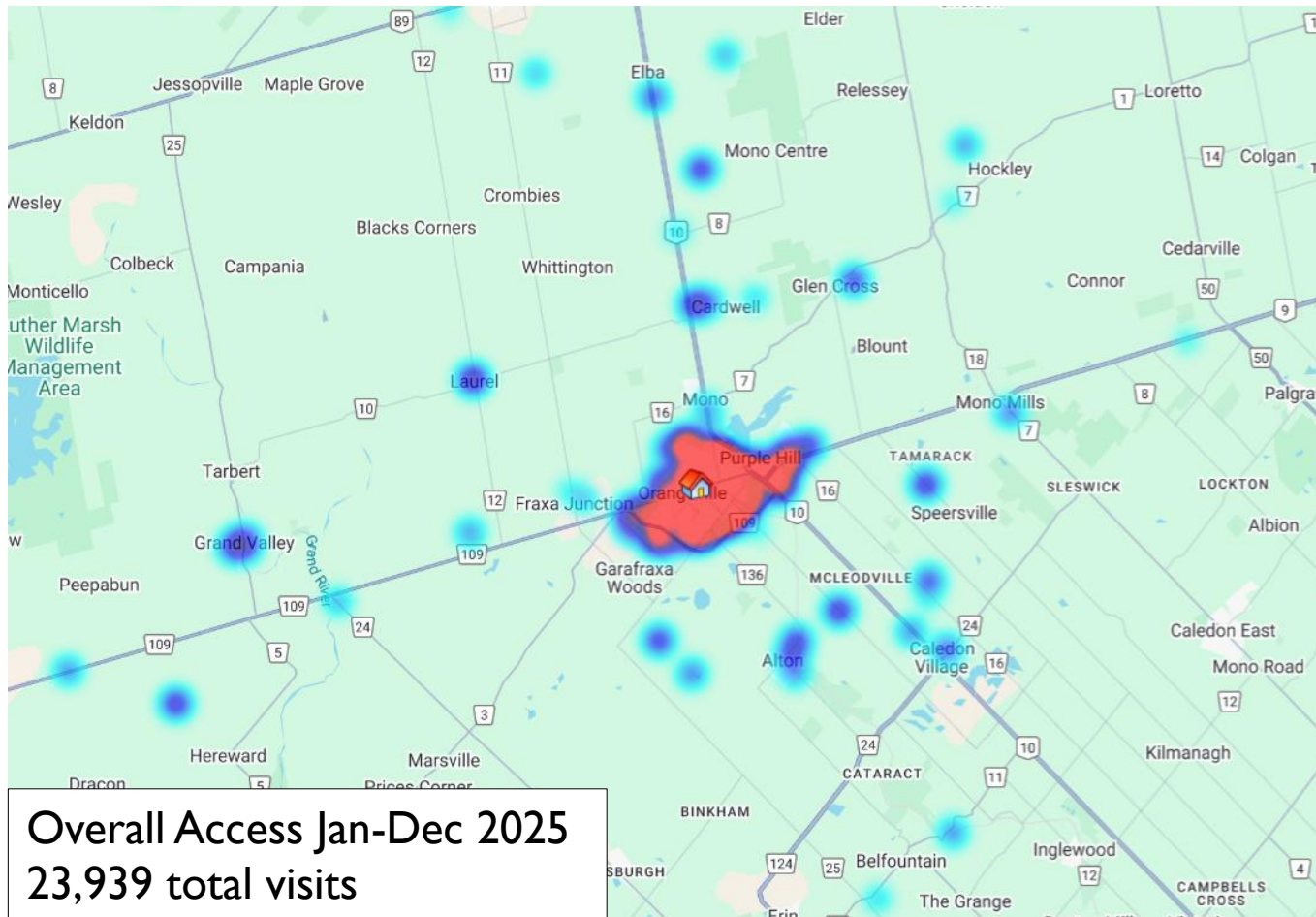
Nov 2015 vs Nov 2025 = +333%

Food donations are down 22%

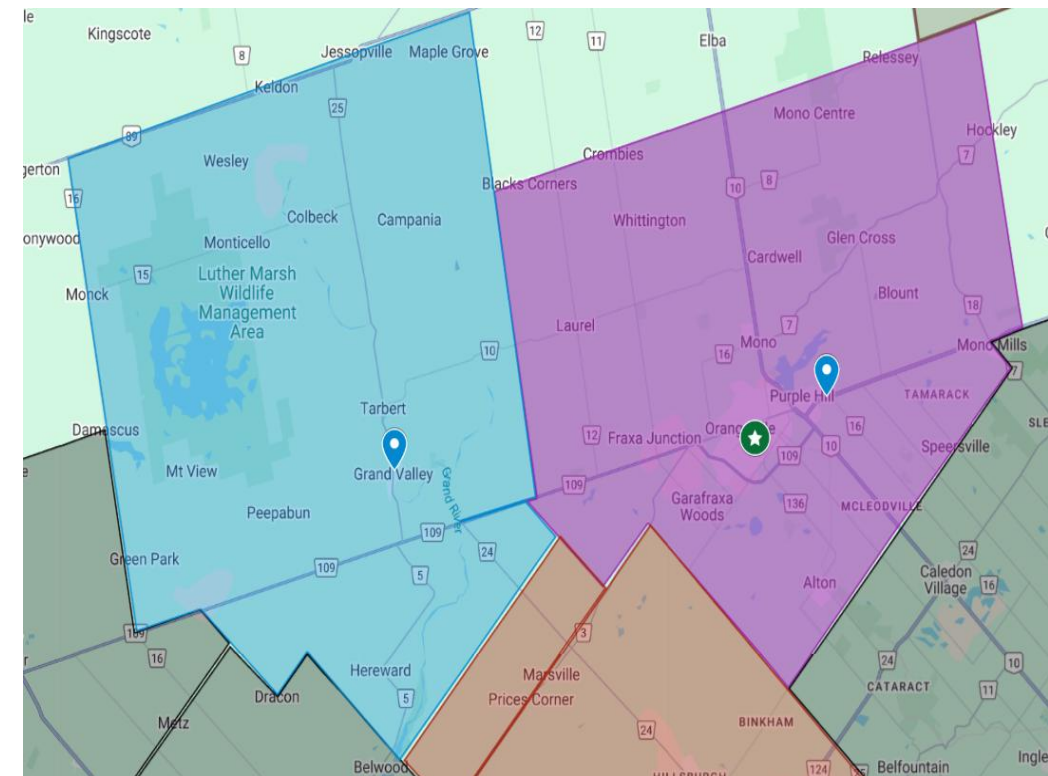
Non-perishable food spending up 77%

Perishable spending up 23%

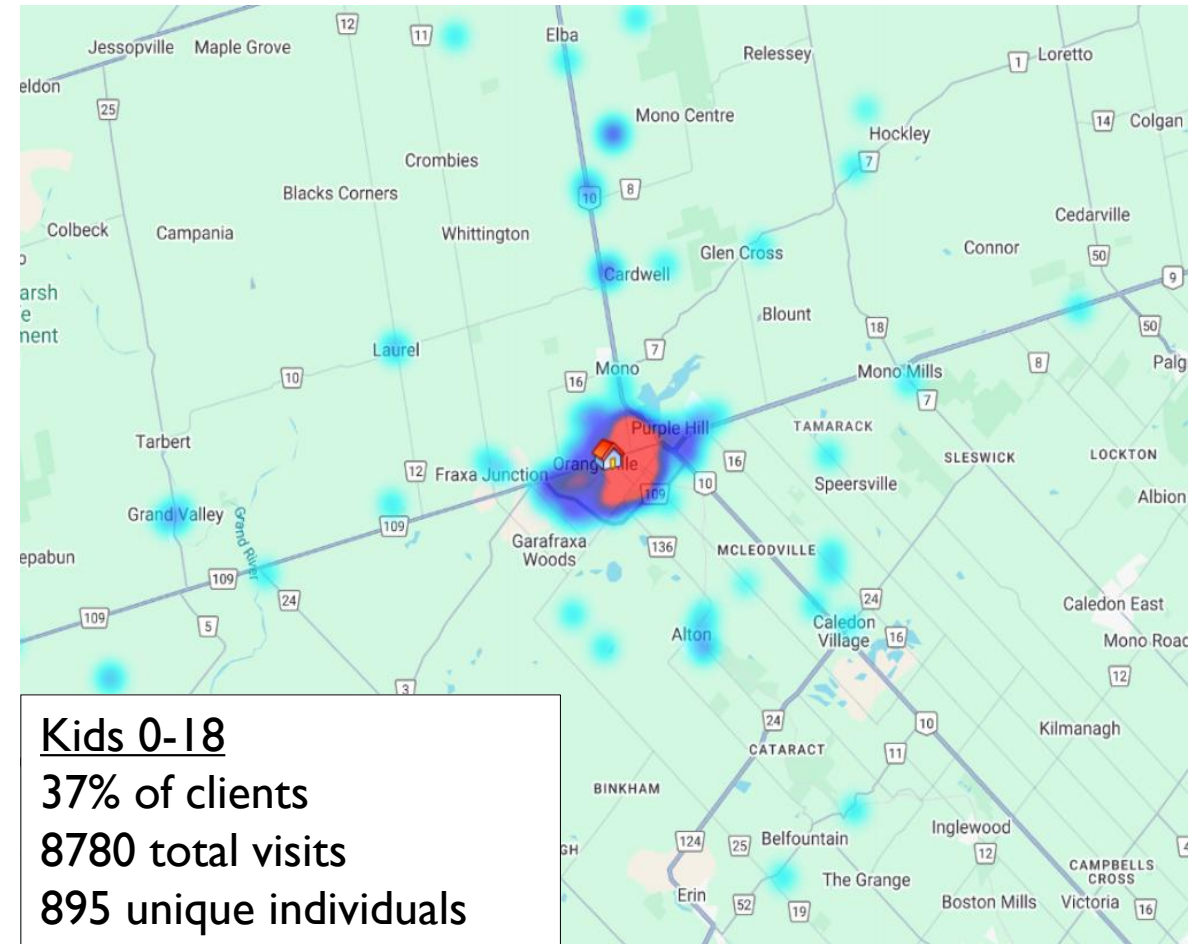
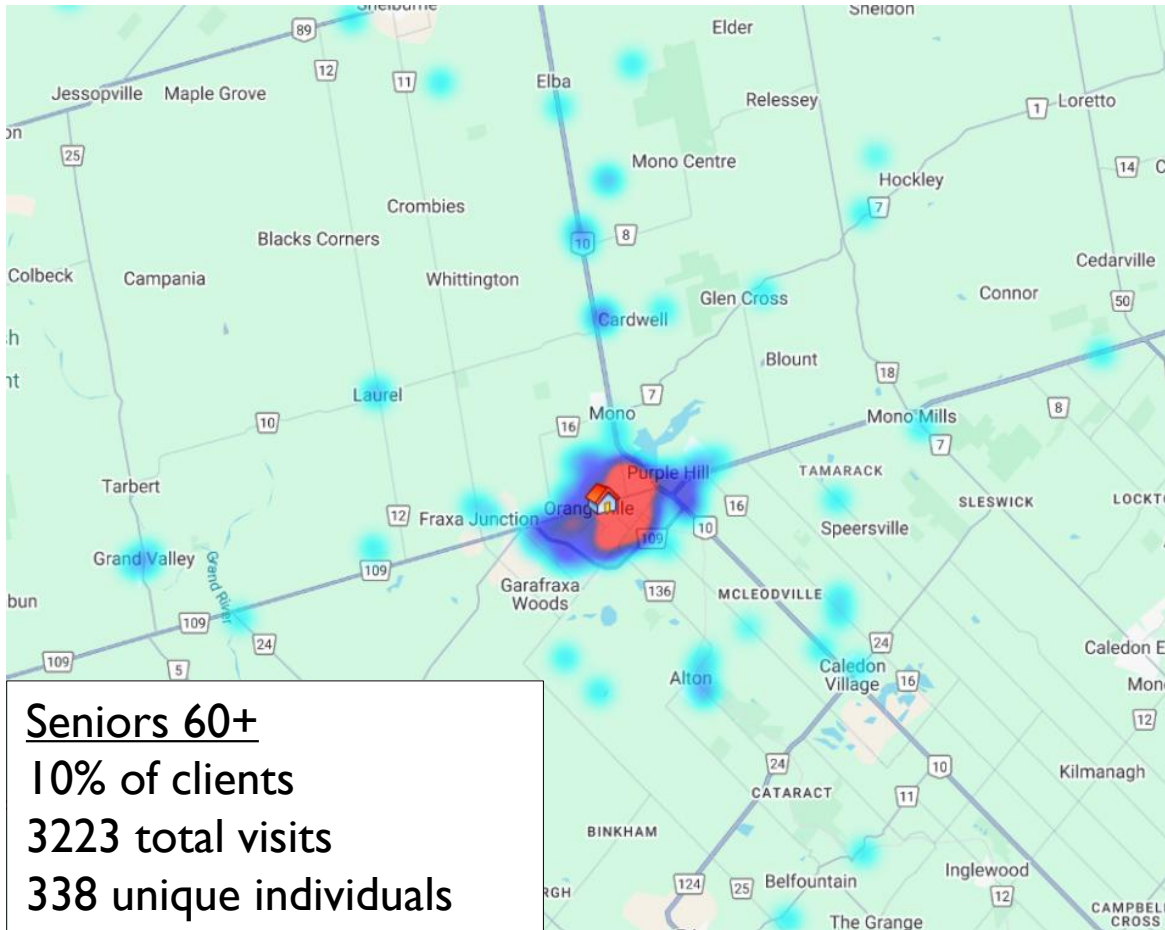
OVERALL USE HEAT MAP



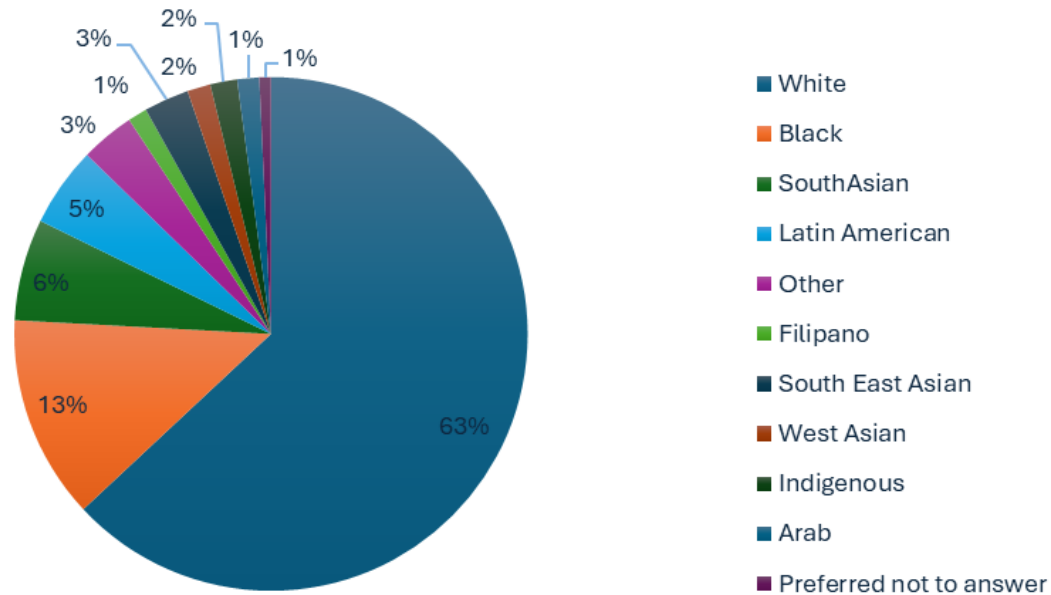
Service Area



HEAT MAP JAN-DEC 2025



Ethnicity



As the demographics of those accessing services changes so do the food needs of the food bank.


- Dried legumes
- Ginger root
- Hot peppers
- Halal Proteins
- Okra
- Tomatoes

Finding products to meet the dietary requirements increases costs and local options are harder to source

ETHNICITY

2024/2025 STAT'S

- 605,000 lbs. of food distributed to clients --- increase of 15% over last year
- 225,000 lbs. of that was purchased – an increase of 50,000 lbs.
- Purchasing from local farms including Peace Valley Ranch, Lone Lane Acres, Fiddlefoot Farms, Lennox Farms, Grand River, Besleys, Wild Meadows and Chicken Thika
- 51% of what we distribute is perishable including milk, eggs, produce and proteins
- 60% increase in number of employed people accessing the food bank over 2024-MHC (March Hunger Count) *1900% + increase since 2015
- 124%+ in the number of seniors accessing the food bank over 2024 MHC
- 37% of those accessing our services are children

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- Food Banks are in crisis across Canada with 1 in 4 individuals being food insecure
 - Food Banks are not funded by provincial or federal governments
 - Food banks are primarily donor funded
 - Provincial Ag Organizations already donate to food banks
 - Provincial & National Partnerships already exist reclaiming food from every major grocery chain and most food banks partner with local producers to reclaim products as well
 - As the crisis grows, we will not be able to donate our way out of the crisis

Policy change is the only solution

Land Use Planning & Food Insecurity

Food insecurity is defined as, “inadequate or insecure access to food due to financial constraints.”

Funds are at the heart of the issue, but Food Security is a spectrum of need and ensuring that we have an integrated approach to food access across the county benefits all the residents.

Supportive Policy Options:

Importance of Local Food Systems: Ensuring that community gardens and urban farms are included in zoning and planning for grocery stores/farmers' markets in all neighborhoods improves access to nutritious food, especially in underserved areas.

Urban Sprawl vs Dense Development: Protecting farmland often pushes development into denser, compact forms, which can support sustainability and local food, whereas sprawl consumes prime agricultural land.

Economic vs. Public Health Goals: Land-use planning often prioritizes economic development, sometimes at the expense of food security, environmental health, and access to nutritious food, creating gaps in policy.

Land Acquisition/Expropriation: Large-scale land acquisition for development can displace rural communities, restrict their access to productive land and water, and negatively impact local food security and livelihoods



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