



Food system equity and access in the age of COVID-19

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Presentation overview

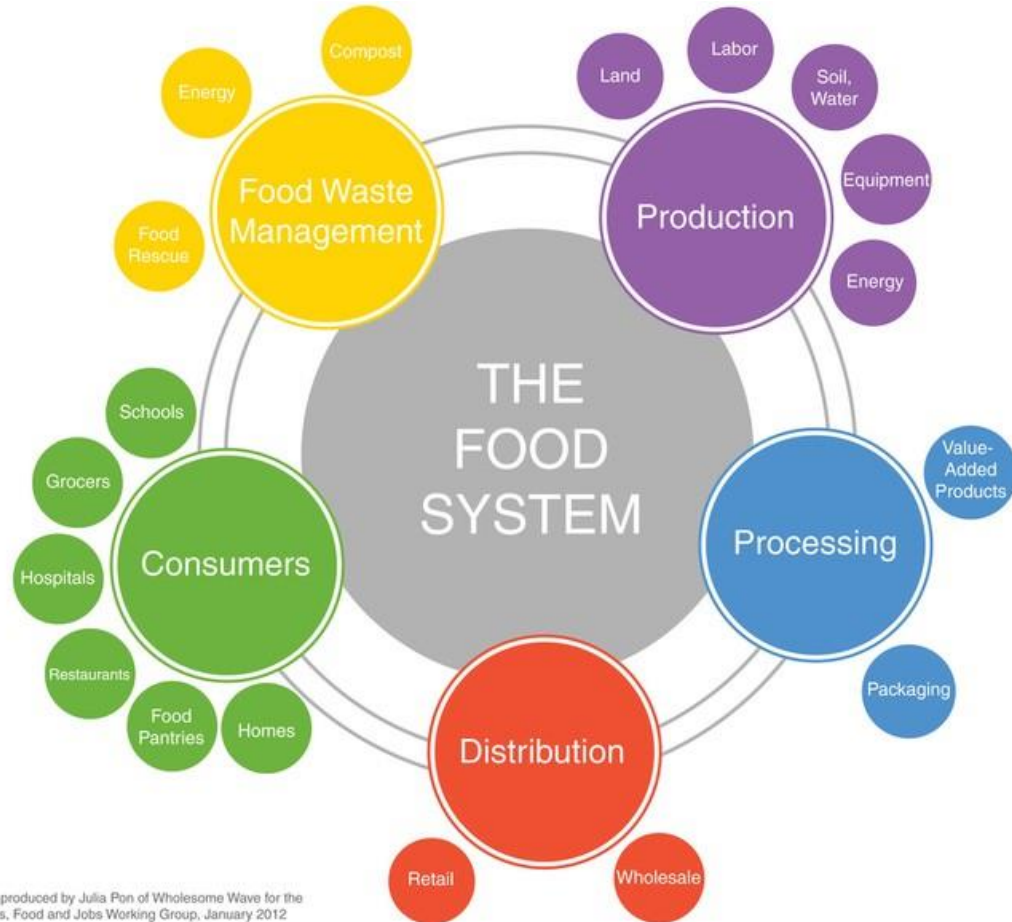
- Equity and access within the food system
 - Ongoing impacts of COVID-19
- Primary issues facing Richmond and surrounding areas
- What's next?
 - Policy
 - Action
 - Remaining questions



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Equity and access within the food system



Primary challenges in Richmond

-Ongoing impacts of systemic racism

-Redlining

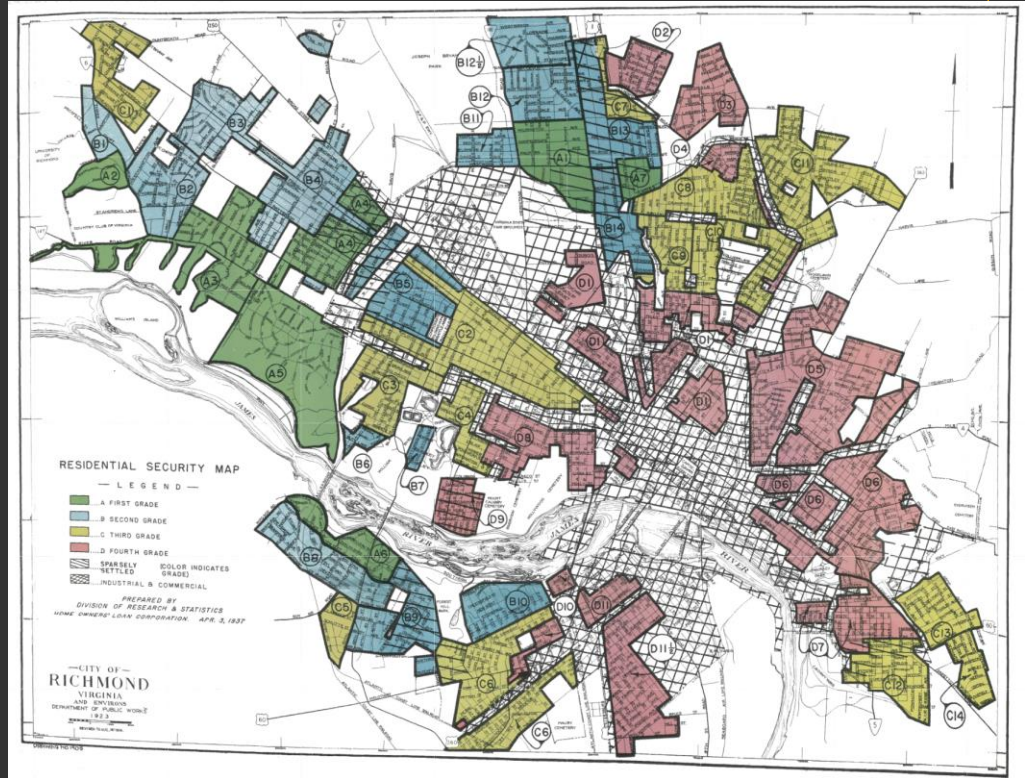
-Economic instability

-Accessibility

-Food deserts

-Transportation

Area	Grade
16%	A "Best"
26%	B "Still Desirable"
28%	C "Definitely Declining"
30%	D "Hazardous"



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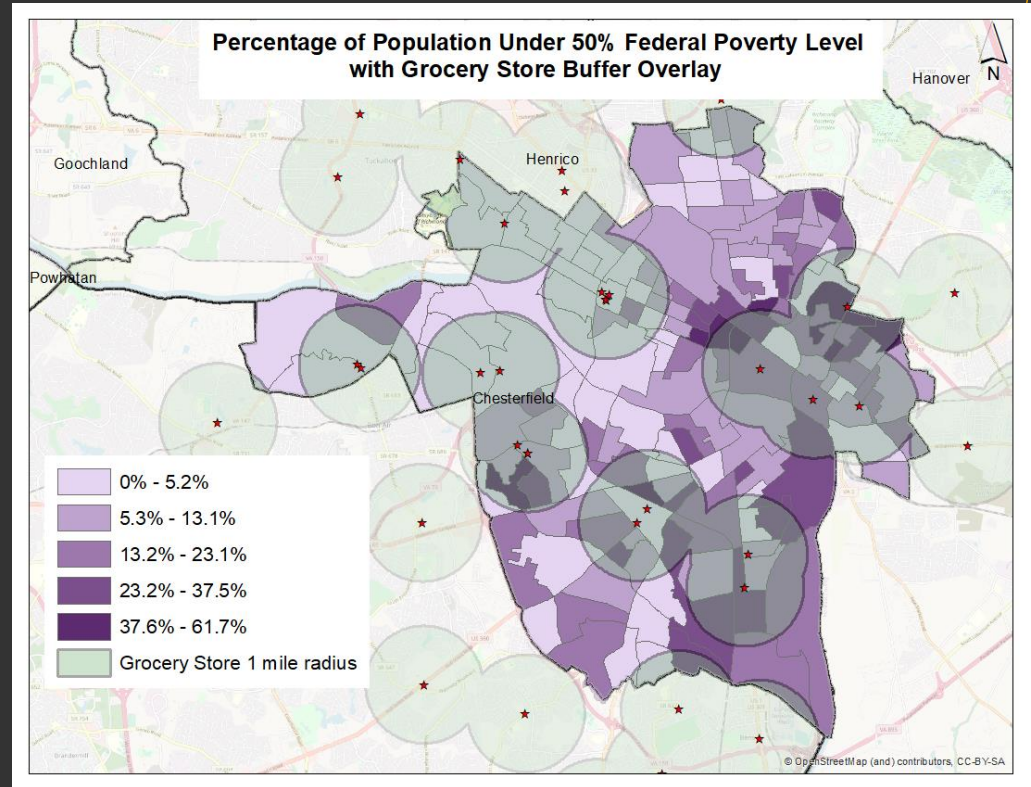
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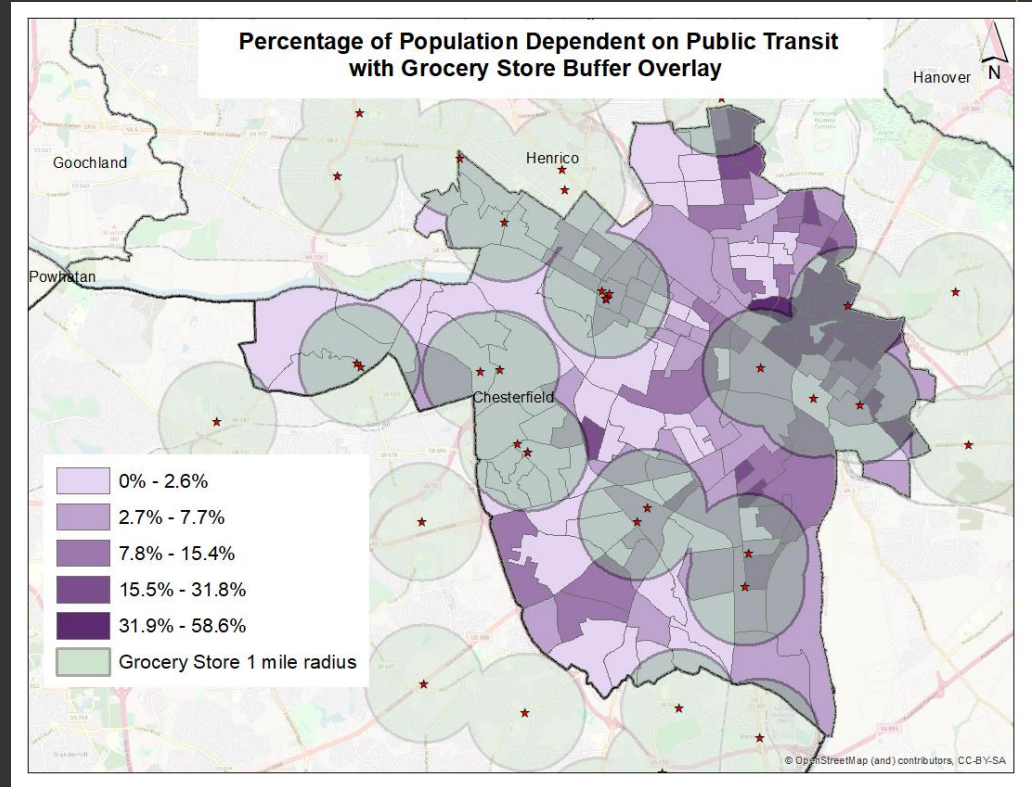
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Primary challenges in Richmond

- Challenges based on gender and age

 - Gender (data from USDA)

 - Food insecurity rates for women living alone: 14.7%

 - Child food insecurity rates for single mother households: 30.3%

 - Older individuals

 - Health challenges

 - Transportation/mobility

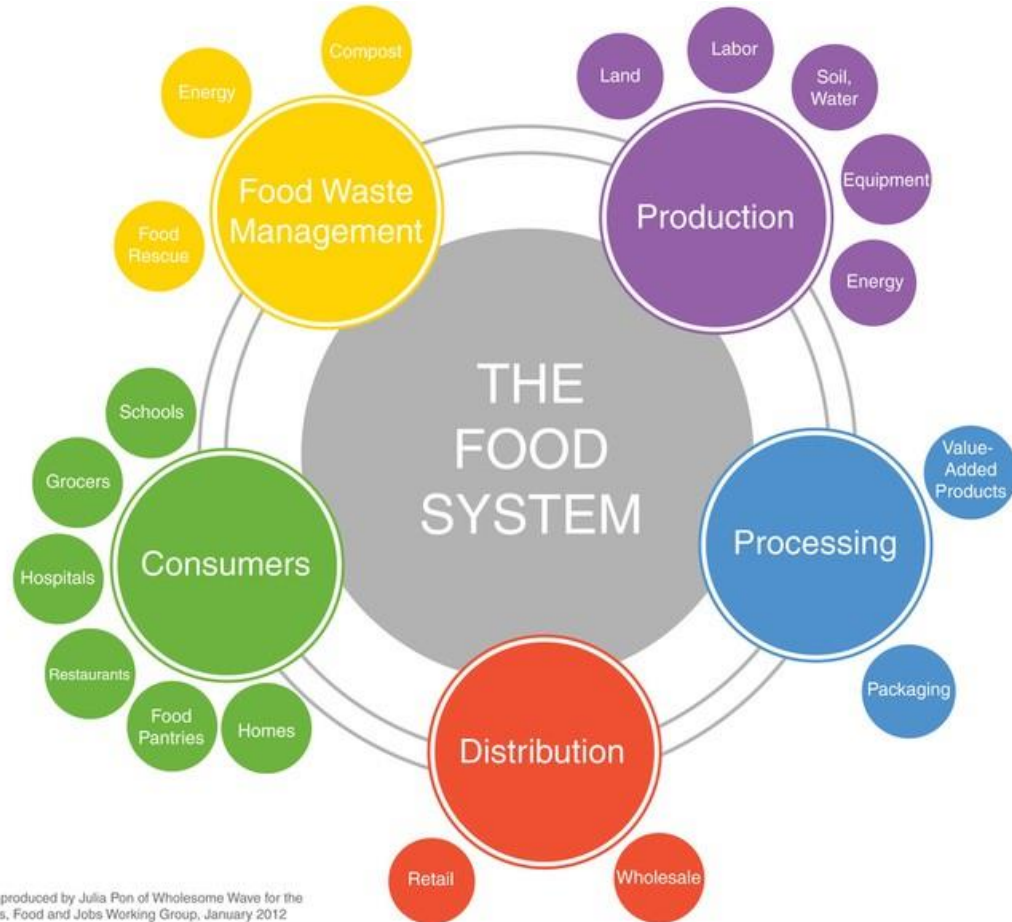
 - Isolation



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What's next?

-Policies and actions:

- Promoting equity, access, and collaboration in Richmond
- Addressing distribution, consumption, and food waste management
- Creating and strengthening programs

-Questions to consider:

- Who are the players and what are their roles?
- What resources are needed?
- How can we address new challenges caused by COVID-19?



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