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Additional Resources

For Learning More about Key Food Issues:

The Public Health Law Center: www.publichealthlawcenter.org

Food Politics by Marion Nestle: www.foodpolitics.com

Center for Science in the Public Interest: www.cspinet.org

Eat Drink Politics: www.eatdrinkpolitics.com/blog

Civil Eats: civileats.com

Food Tank: foodtank.com

For Understanding Food Policy:

Food Policy Networks at the Center for a Livable Future at John’s Hopkins University: www.foodpolicynetworks.org

Harvard Food Law Policy Clinic: blogs.law.harvard.edu/foodpolicyinitiative/

- Good Laws, Good Food: Putting Local Food Policy to Work for Our Communities
- Good Laws, Good Food: Putting State Food Policy to Work for Our Communities

Food Policy in the United States: An Introduction by Dr. Parke Wilde, available at: www.routledge.com/books/details/9781849714297/

Closing the Food Gap: Resetting the Table in the Land of Plenty by Mark Winne, available at: www.beacon.org/Closing-the-Food-Gap-P726.aspx

For Tracking Policy:

The Rudd Center for Obesity and Food Policy Legislation Database: www.yaleruddcenter.org/legislation/
The Rudd Center is currently at Yale, but is moving to the University of Connecticut in January 2015

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s Chronic Disease State Policy Tracking System:
nccd.cdc.gov/CDPHPolicySearch//Default.aspx

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Federal legislation database: beta.congress.gov

Food Policy Action’s policy scorecard: www.foodpolicyaction.org/whyitmatters.php

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation County Health Rankings Policy Database: www.countyhealthrankings.org/policies

For Using Evidence-Based Information

UCS publications on healthy food and farms: www.ucsusa.org/food_and_agriculture

The Healthy Food Access Portal: www.healthyfoodaccess.org

Healthy Eating Research: healthyeatingresearch.org

ChangeLab Solutions changelabsolutions.org/landing-page/creating-healthier-food-environments

The Science Network at the Union of Concerned Scientists: www.ucsusa.org/action/science_network/

For Visualizing the Data

Examples of Food System maps

Maryland Food Systems Map: mdfoodsysteamsmap.org

Vermont Food System Atlas: www.vfoodatlas.com/atlas


Robert Wood Johnson Foundation County Health Rankings and Roadmaps: www.countyhealthrankings.org

For Getting Organized

UCS Activist Resource Center www.ucsusa.org/action/activist-resource-center.html

The University of Kansas Community Tool Box: ctb.ku.edu

The Midwest Academy’s Organizing for Social Change: www.midwestacademy.com

The Democracy Center: democracyctr.org/citizenadvocacy