The impact of a Hyper Local Farmers Market in Old Brooklyn Shivani Agrawal **Amber Jones Case Western Reserve University Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation**

Background

The following MPH Practicum Experience involved a survey conduction at the Old Brooklyn Farmers Market (OBFM) and data analysis in partnership with Old Brooklyn Community Development Corporation (OBCDC).

> **Research Setting:** 4274 Pearl Rd. Suite F, Cleveland OH

Farmers Market Setting: Old Brooklyn at 4200 Pearl Rd, Cleveland, OH

Population of Focus:

Anyone who came to the Old Brooklyn Farmers Market, was not limited to Old Brooklyn residents

Learning Objectives

Objective 1: Survey Development- understanding how to create an efficient survey that is easy to take and provides the surveyor with the information needed.

Objective 2: Survey implementation and engagementapplying skills learned in training in how to respectfully approach members of the community to engage and take our survey

Objective 3: Analysis of data collected- analyzing and evaluating the results of the survey; seeing how having a hyper local farmers market has affected in the Old Brooklyn community

Activities

- Weekly attendance at the Old Brooklyn Farmers Market from June 18, 2022- September 24, 2022
- Administering the survey to all people willing
- Entering data into Qualtrics every week after the Farmers Market

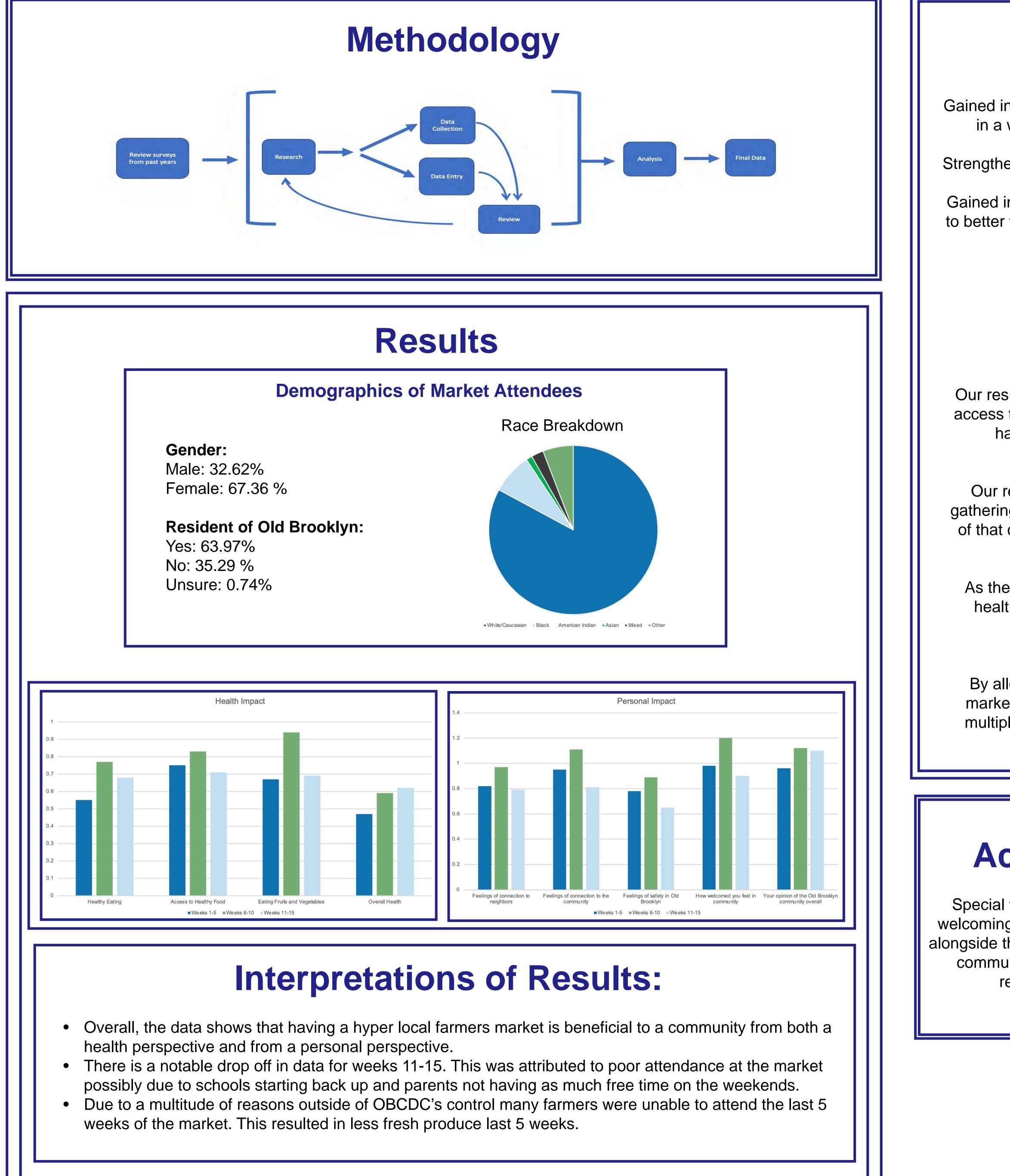
Deliverables

Deliverable 1: Survey created for the Old Brooklyn Farmer's Market **Deliverable 2:** Analyzed data collected from the survey



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Lessons Learned

Gained insight into how to design and administer a survey in a way that is culturally sensitive and respectful

Strengthened qualitative data collection and analysis skills

Gained insight into how a survey allow local communities to better themselves and provide better resources to their residents

Public Health Implications

Health Implications:

Our results showed a clear correlation between having access to healthy foods makes people feel healthy and has a positive impact on their overall health

Personal Implications:

Our results also showed that by having a common gathering place for a community allows for the residents of that community to feel closer to their neighbors and increases feelings of belonging.

As the farmers market continued, feelings regarding health and personal feelings toward Old Brooklyn Improved

Future Implications:

By allowing a community access to a local farmers market on a weekly basis benefits the community in multiple ways both physically, mentally, and socially.

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