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News & Announcements

foodNEST 2.0 Research Published in BMC Public Health

Congratulations to foodNEST 2.0 researchers on their publication in BMC Public Health, published in July 2021. This research, conducted with partners from Nationwide Children's Hospital, is focused on the identification of factors related to food insecurity and the implications for social determinants of health screenings in healthcare settings. This study found that along with referrals to sign-up for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), healthcare providers can further address screening-identified food insecurity through provision of transportation supports and linkages to other social services while collaborating on community initiatives to promote convenient and easy access to healthy foods. [Read the full article here.](#)

Research Published in the Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development

Indicators of readiness and capacity for implementation of healthy food retail interventions was published in JAFSCD in May, 2021. Authors Jen Sanchez-Flack, PhD, Kakul Joshi, MPH, Eunlye Lee, PhD, MSW, and Darcy Freedman, PhD, MPH discuss healthy food retail (HFR) interventions and the tools needed to assess, tailor, and implement HFR plans in diverse environments. Research for this publication is supported by the Building Capacity for Obesity Prevention ([BCOP](#)) project and is synthesized into the [PSEREADI tool](#). Read the full paper [here](#).

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Events & Opportunities

August Swetland Seminar: A Relational Approach to Evaluate Food Environments Finds That the Proximate Food Environment Matters for Those Who Use It

August 24th | 9:00–10:00 am

Presenter Alannah Glickman is a PhD Candidate at the John Glenn College of Public Affairs at the Ohio State University and has worked with the Swetland Center on the foodNEST 2.0 project. She will be presenting on her research that aims to understand which public administration and policy mechanisms can help local and regional communities make their food systems more sustainable and more just. [Register today!](#)



Welcome to Our Newest Swetland Staff Affiliate!



The Swetland Center is excited to announce our newest faculty affiliate, [Brandy Phipps](#), PhD, MS! Dr. Phipps received her Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences with a focus on Nutrition, Oncology, and Molecular Biology and Biotechnology from Virginia Tech and is currently an Assistant Professor in the Department of Agricultural and Life Sciences at Central State University. She is passionate about providing educational equity, advanced experiential STEM learning opportunities, and personalized mentoring to PEER [Persons Excluded because of Ethnicity or Race] students and those who have been socially and economically disadvantaged.

Congratulations to The 2021 Community Food Systems Change Fellows!

At the [Showcase of Opportunities](#) this past Wednesday, the five Fellows shared their incredible visions for food systems change. Congratulations to Antunesia Harris, Lena Boswell, Michelle B. Jackson, Kellee Etheridge, and Marilyn Burns who were each presented with a Food Systems Change Showcase Award. Special congratulations to Lena Boswell and Kellee Etheridge for winning the KeyBank Reviewers' Choice Awards and to Lena Boswell for winning the Veale Institute People's Choice Award.

If you are interested in learning more or connecting directly with any of the Fellows, you can access their contact information in the one-pagers below.

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