

Proposed Hamilton Food Strategy Goals applied to the Food System Framework

Food System Components

Proposed Food Strategy Goals

Food Production

- Hamilton has infrastructure and policies that allow urban agriculture and other means for citizens to access healthy food
- Every ward in Hamilton has at least one publicly available community garden in place

Food Processing & Distribution

- Hamilton has the infrastructure required to support the food and farming industry
- Hamilton's agri-business and food processing sector is a priority
- Hamilton is a place to do food-related business

Food Buying & Selling

- Healthy food is readily available within reasonable walking, transit, and cycling distance for everyone in the City (grocery stores, convenience stores, farmers' markets, mobile farmers' markets, community gardens)
- All schools, workplaces, child care centres, institutions, and City-run facilities have healthy food and beverage choices

Consumption

- By 2023, people will have access to healthy food through means like food centres so that food banks are no longer necessary in Hamilton
- People who experience poverty have access to healthy food choices

Food Waste Management

- Hamilton has the infrastructure to support residential food waste management
- Hamilton is a leader in food waste management by keeping waste out of landfills, creating compost for use in private and community gardens, and preventing edible food and packaging from ending up as waste
- Hamilton has food waste management programs to empower residents with knowledge and skills about composting and reducing all forms of food waste