

Appendix A

Access to Affordable and Nutritious Food: Understanding Food Deserts

Workshop Agenda

Waugh Auditorium
Economic Research Service
1800 M Street, NW
October 9, 2008

- 8:00 – 8:30 Check-in and continental breakfast
- 8:30 – 9:00 Welcome, Introductions, and Goals of the Workshop
Laurian Unnevehr, Food Economics Division, ERS
Shelly Ver Ploeg, Food Assistance Branch, ERS
- 9:00 – 10:30 Session 1: Defining and Conceptualizing Areas of Low
Access to Affordable and Nutritious Food
Chair: Robert Gibbs, Farm and Rural Household Well-
Being Branch, ERS
Lois Morton, Iowa State University
Diego Rose, Tulane University
Joel Gittelsohn, Johns Hopkins University
- 10:30 – 10:45 Break
- 10:45 – 12:00 Session 2: Implications of Low Access for Food and
Nutrition Assistance
Programs
Chair: Steve Carlson, Food and Nutrition Service,
USDA
Carol Olander, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA
Anne Bartholomew, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA
Joel Berg, New York City Coalition Against Hunger
Lorette Picciano, Rural Coalition
- 12:00 – 12:45 pm Lunch at ERS
- 12:45 – 1:30 Luncheon Address: Food Deserts and Diet and Health
Outcomes
Judith Wylie-Rosett, Albert Einstein College of Medicine
and the American Heart Association
- 1:30 – 3:00 Session 3: Community Efforts to Reduce the Impact of
Areas of Low Access
Chair: Elizabeth Tuckermanty, Cooperative State
Research, Education, and Extension Service, USDA
Joel Gittelsohn, Johns Hopkins University

LaDonna Redmond, Institute for Community Resource
Development, Chicago, IL

Pamela Roy, Farm to Table & the New Mexico Food and
Agriculture Policy Council

Ken Meter, Crossroads Resource Center, Minneapolis,
MN

3:00 – 3:15

Break

3:15 – 4:45

Session 4: Roundtable Discussion of Program and Policy
Options

Chair: Neil Conklin, Farm Foundation

Tim Hammonds, Food Marketing Institute

John Weidman, The Food Trust

Andy Fisher, Community Food Security Coalition

Kami Pothukuchi, Wayne State University

4:45

Closing and Adjourn

Neil Conklin, Farm Foundation