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The Chicago Food Desert Progress Report

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Also see:

- The original *Examining the Impact of Food Deserts on Public Health in Chicago* released in 2006
- Our *2009 Food Desert Progress Report*
- Other related studies on Chicago and other cities which can all be found under “projects” at marigallagher.com



Special Update

Special thanks to:

The City of Chicago

The Illinois Retail Merchants Association

The Illinois Food Retailers Association

Grocers that opened or expanded stores in the Food Desert

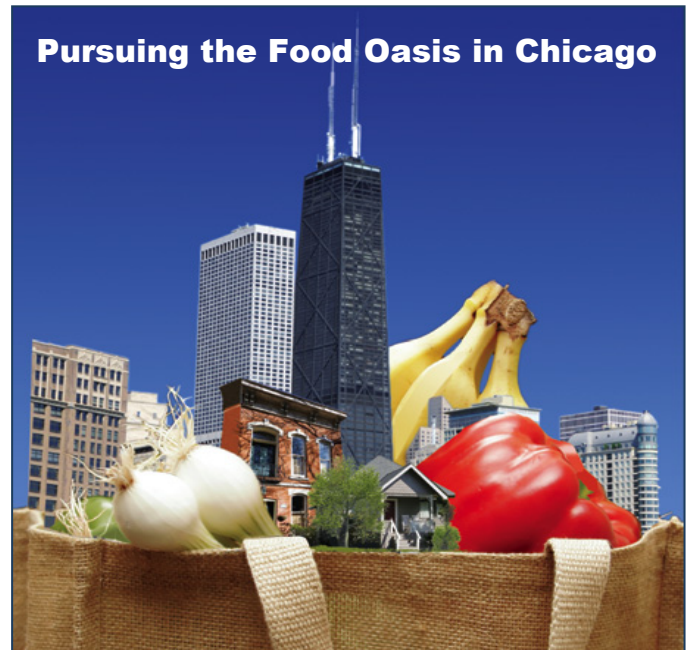
& The Searle Family Fund At The Chicago Community Trust

Change in Food Desert Conditions: 2009 to 2010 -Retail data current as of May, 2010-	Food desert reduction:
Land in square meters	9,428,206
Total population	58,652
White population	1,492
African American population	55,384
Latino population	2,306
Age 0 to 18 population	17,349
Disabled adult over 20 years old	13,528
Disabled child under 18 years old	1,497
Grandparents with primary responsibility of grandchildren under 18 years old	1,494
Incomes over 100,000 per year	1,095
Incomes over 75,000 per year	2,649
Incomes over 50,000 per year	6,241
Single women with children under 18 years old	10,213
Households without an automobile	6,234

Chicago continues to make progress in reducing the Food Desert.

For example, between 2006 and 2009, roughly 23,000 fewer people were in the Food Desert, and between 2009 and 2010, roughly 58,000 fewer people were in the Food Desert. This means that – since our original 2006 report – more than 80,000 Chicagoans transitioned from living in a Food Desert to a Food Oasis.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to this success story. We are on the right track but still have work ahead of us. The Food Desert remains large, affecting roughly 550,000 people today. Scroll down to view more tables and a map that details these conditions.





2010 Food Desert Conditions

-Retail data current as of May, 2010-

Land in square meters	103,869,982
Total population	550,382
White population	77,100
African American population	422,916
Latino population	54,557
Age 0 to 18 population	177,469
Disabled adult over 20 years old	111,649
Disabled child under 18 years old	15,980
Grandparents with primary responsibility of grandchildren under 18 years old	13,297
Incomes over 100,000 per year	12,510
Incomes over 75,000 per year	25,609
Incomes over 50,000 per year	54,684
Single women with children under 18 years old	98,951
Households without an automobile	57,758

Change in Food Desert Conditions: 2006 to 2009

Food desert reduction:

Land in square meters	3,712,709
Total population	23,940
White population	4,009
African American population	15,619
Latino population	6,705
Age 0 to 18 population	7,236
Disabled adult over 20 years old	4,571
Disabled child under 18 years old	768
Grandparents with primary responsibility of grandchildren under 18 years old	709
Incomes over 50,000 per year	2,430
Incomes over 75,000 per year	1,303
Incomes over 100,000 per year	589
Single women with children under 18 years old	1,391
Households without an automobile	1,312

Change in Chicago Food Desert Conditions

