

the alliance for healthy food & farming

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## LOCAL ISSUES ARE ON OUR PLATE

Here are a few issues we are focusing on this summer:

- Local Food Procurement
- Food Waste
- Urban & Residential Agriculture
- Evaluation & Collective Impact Map
- Policy follow up on Land Use Planning, Flocking Options and more

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## **GET INVOLVED WITH LOCAL FOOD WEEK - JUNE 6-12, 2016!**

You won't want to miss the action! Stay tuned throughout Local Food Week for exciting updates from <u>Sustain Ontario</u>, our members, and food champions across the province!

Edible Education **Download** fun curriculum linked class activities!

Local Food News Check our blog for daily local food news!

Local Sustainable Food Procurement Look at our toolkit!

Food Waste Exciting new resources to be released during local food week!

Join the Social Media Campaign #loveONTfood

## WHAT IS LOCAL FOOD WEEK?

Local Food Week was established under the <u>Local Food Act</u>, 2013, with input from hundreds of food and farming champions including Sustain Ontario. According to the <u>Ministry of Agriculture and Rural Affairs</u>, the Local Food Act, Bill 36, was passed to support resilient local food economies and systems in Ontario, increase awareness of local food and develop new markets for local food. The first ever <u>Local Food Report</u> was released last year focusing on increasing food literacy goals.

Sustain Ontario has an active history with the local food act. Sustain Ontario's joint Member letter to the Ministry in 2013 included recommendations for strengthening Bill 36 by extending its focus to include food literacy, food access, regional economic development, and environmentally sustainable practices.

Working with you and our members, Sustain Ontario is a strong voice for a food system that is healthy, equitable, ecologically resilient, and financially viable.

Join us during Local Food Week to learn more!



