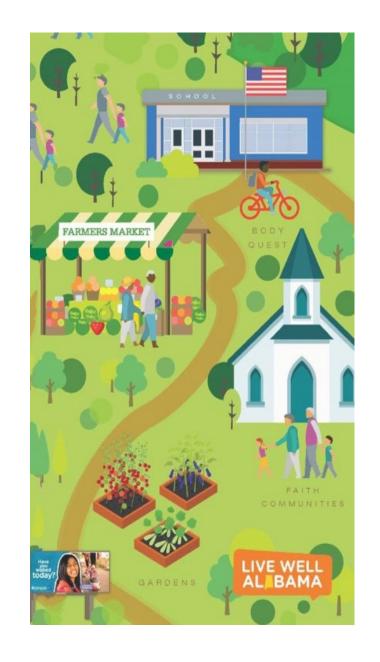
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## Why Extension Works

#### Infrastructure

- Presence in every county
- Connections at the local level
- Multi-component staff
  - State Specialist
  - County Extension Coordinator
  - Regional Extension Agent
    - Human Nutrition, Diet and Health
    - Home Grounds, Gardens and Pests
  - EFNEP Educators
  - SNAP-Ed Educators



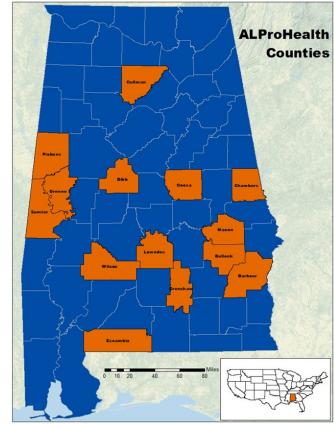


## ALProHealth 2014 - 2018

Alabama Preventing and Reducing Obesity: Helping to Engage Alabamians for Long-Term Health

#### Multi-component strategies

- Collaborative and grassroots-led PSE strategies
  - Increase availability and appeal of healthy foods
  - Increase access to and affordability of places for physical activity
- Direct education strategies
  - Youth and adults
  - Series classes, recipe demonstrations, recipes and informational materials





## ALProHealth: Changing Lives in Alabama



## Bringing it all together.

## 4 Years of ALProHealth

Alabama Preventing and Reducing Obesity: Helping Engage Alabamians for Long-Term Health





#### **Needs Assessment**

Focus groups with asset mapping **Environmental audits** Healthy eating Physical activity



#### **Work Plan**

Direct education

Access to heathy and affordable food and beverages

Access to safe and affordable places to be physically active



#### **Leverage Funds**

Volunteer hours

\$1,083,875

Partner contributions

\$1,006,567

Grants

\$987,070

Total leveraged funds

\$3,077,512

(67% of 4-year total funding)

#### **Coalition Building**

16 Coalitions 122 Partners



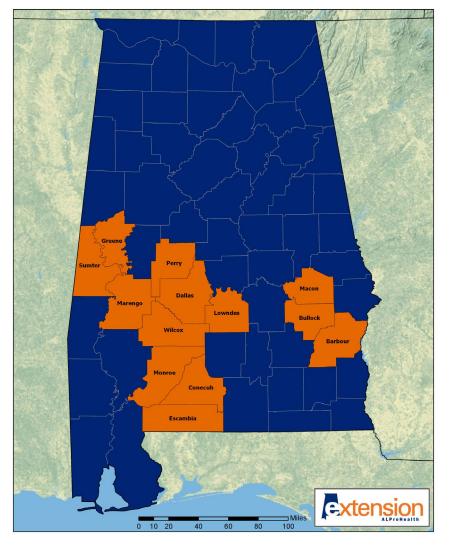




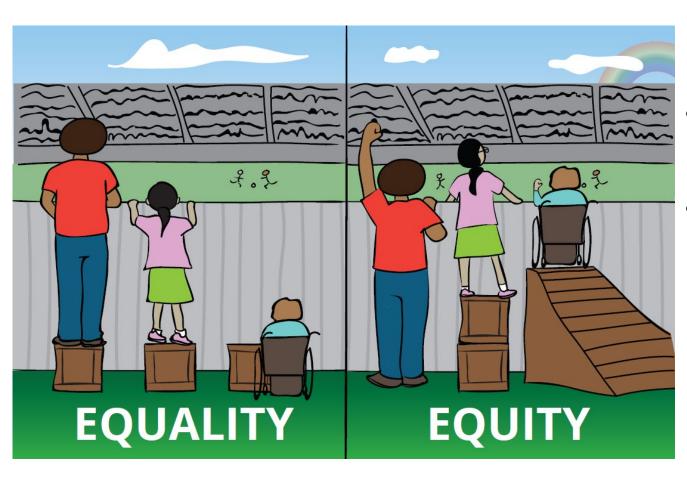
## ALProHealth 2018 - 2023

- Funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- A five-year project
- Working with community coalitions in 13 counties with adult obesity rates greater than 40%
- Implementing research-based interventions proven to reduce obesity
  - Increase access to healthy foods and places for physical activity

#### **ALProHealth Counties 2018-2023**



## Who is Involved?



- Equality
  - Population-wide activities
- Equity
  - Priority population activities

## **SNAP-Ed Communication**



High cholesterol can run in the family, but you can work together to lower your risk. This #HeartMonth, start the conversation with your family about how to manage cholesterol. https://www.cdc.gov/cholesterol/risk\_factors.htm



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Knowing Your Risk: High Cholesterol
High cholesterol can run in families.



Getting enough physical activity each week is just one way to prevent heart disease. During American Heart Month, find out how living a healthy lifestyle can help lower your risk for heart disease and heart attack. #MoveMore https://bit.ly/2gCBbfg

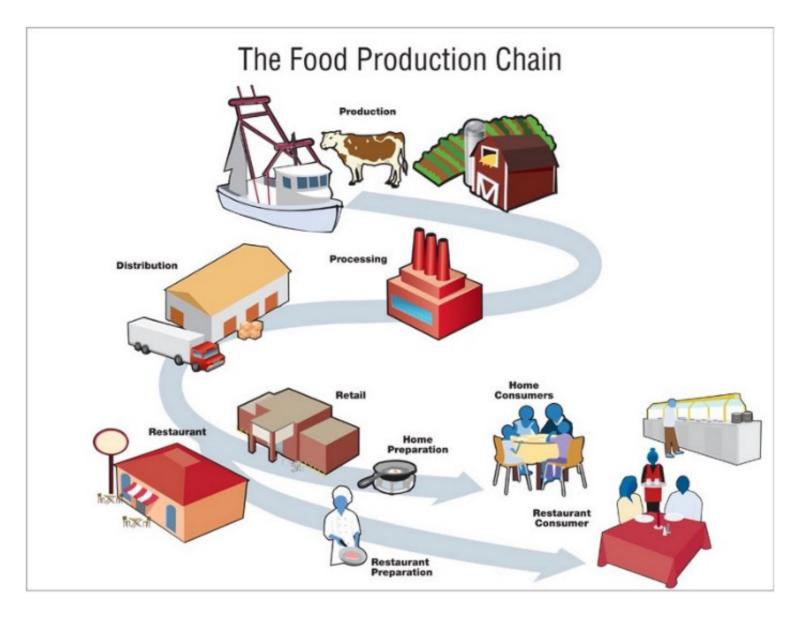


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## Food Systems Approach





## **Current Progress to Address Inactivity**

#### **Built Environment Approaches**

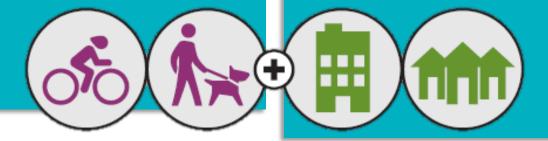
**U.S. Community Preventive Services Task Force** 

#### **Activity-Friendly Routes**

- Street pattern design and connectivity
- Bicycle and Pedestrian infrastructure
- Public transit infrastructure and access

#### **Everyday Destinations**

- Proximity to destinations
- Mixed land use
- Residential density
- Parks and recreational facilities





## The How...



## **ALProHealth Community Conversations**



# CDC High Obesity Program Initiative in Alabama: Working with Other CDC Partners

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