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Welcome! Your responses to this short questionnaire will help guide the Northwest Michigan Food & Farming Network Council members to set our region's outreach priorities and measures for success during the coming year -- 2011.

1. The Northwest Michigan Food and Farming Network held its 3rd annual "Our Farm Route to Prosperity" summit at the NMC Oleson Center, in Traverse City, on Friday, February 4. Did you attend this year's 2011 summit? [Actions](#) ▼

Yes		31	72%
No		12	28%
Total		43	100%

2. How did you hear about this year's February 4 summit? [Actions](#) ▼

email invitation from Jim Sluyter at MLUI and F&FNetwork		18	62%
The Ticker (daily email)		2	7%
Grand Vision email announcement		6	21%

friend or colleague		7	24%
Other source or communication? Please describe... View Responses		5	17%

3. Briefly tell us why you attended this year's summit?





Actions | ▼

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Take a moment to think about your participation at the February 4, 2011 Prosperity summit in two ways ... both BEFORE and AFTER you attended. How would you describe your understanding of the following local food and farming network topics?




4. BEFORE February 4 summit: My understanding of the personal impact that I can have to help build our local food system

Actions | ▼

no understanding		0	0%
little understanding		3	10%
some understanding		6	21%
quite a bit of understanding		18	62%
almost complete understanding		2	7%
Total		29	100%





5. AFTER February 4 summit: My understanding of the personal impact that I can have to help build our local food system

Actions | ▼

no understanding		0	0%
little understanding		0	0%
some understanding		3	10%
quite a bit of understanding		21	72%
almost complete understanding		5	17%
Total		29	100%




6. BEFORE February 4 summit: My understanding of resilience and its importance to food and farming in northwest Michigan

Actions | ▾

no understanding		0	0%
little understanding		4	14%
some understanding		14	50%
quite a bit of understanding		6	21%
almost complete understanding		4	14%
Total		28	100%

7. AFTER February 4 summit: My understanding of resilience and its importance to food and farming in northwest Michigan

Actions | ▾

no understanding		0	0%
little understanding		0	0%
some understanding		6	21%
quite a bit of understanding		19	66%
almost complete understanding		4	14%
Total		29	100%

Next, please share with us your feedback and reflections about the February 4 summit day and program ...

8. How valuable was the summit morning program that included...

Actions | ▾

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the option. Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.	not valuable	somewhat valuable	valuable overall	very valuable	exceptionally valuable
Resilience thinking and local food systems - with Bob Russell	0 0%	3 10%	7 24%	14 48%	5 17%
Measuring our progress - with Rob Serrine	0 0%	4 14%	8 28%	13 45%	4 14%
Michigan Good Food Charter and F&FNetwork common goals - with Don Coe	0 0%	2 7%	10 34%	13 45%	4 14%

Current state of the F&FNetwork - with Rob Sirrinc	0 0%	4 14%	11 38%	10 34%	4 14%
1 - 2 minute stories of progress, accomplishment and success - with Diane Conners and other summit reporters	0 0%	1 3%	12 41%	9 31%	7 24%

9. How valuable was the morning program that included...

Actions | ▾

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Full group discussion with a focus on F&FNetwork policy priorities, including local action steps and measures of progress - with Brian Bourdages & Diane Conners	0 0%	4 14%	11 38%	11 38%	3 10%

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10. Did you enjoy lunch and local growers' menu?

Actions | ▾

Yes		27	96%
No		1	4%
Total		28	100%

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11. Was the lunch networking and 60 minute visiting time of value to you?

Actions | ▾

Yes		27	96%
No		1	4%
Total		28	100%

12. How valuable was the afternoon program that included...

Actions | ▾

Top number is the count of respondents selecting the	not valuable	somewhat valuable	valuable overall	very valuable	exceptionally valuable
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option.
Bottom % is percent of the total respondents selecting the option.

Your participation in one of the 11 small group topics based on the morning's full group F&FNetwork policy and action suggestions	2 7%	2 7%	9 33%	10 37%	4 15%
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13. Were the afternoon's concluding small group wrap-up reports and next steps of value to you? [Actions](#) | ▼

Yes		23	92%
No		2	8%
Total		25	100%

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14. This year's summit invited your ideas for advancing the F&FNetwork's goals, projects and measures for success. Between the February 4 program and now, you may have had additional ideas, suggestions, action steps and recommendations for the Network. If so, please briefly describe them here... [Actions](#) | ▼

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15. Did NMC's Oleson Center work for you as a meeting space and location for the February 4 summit? [Actions](#) | ▼

Yes		29	100%
No		0	0%
Total		29	100%








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16. For you, what was the most valuable take away message, outcome or action step from this year's February 4, 2011 summit ? [Actions](#) | ▼

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17. Which of these eight Food & Farming Network working groups represent your own food and farming interests, activities or initiatives? check ALL that apply [Actions](#) | ▼

Buyers		10	29%
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Producers		18	53%
Farmland Preservation		12	35%
Finance & Funding		8	24%
Infrastructure & Distribution		9	26%
Education & Training		16	47%
Health & Youth		13	38%
Governance & Public Policy		7	21%

18. What specific Northwest Michigan Food & Farming Network assistance, advice or resource would most help your food and farming-related work and activities to move forward during the coming year?

Actions | ▼

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19. What measures and benchmarks of food and farming success would you find most helpful in your own work and activities -- and that may also contribute to our 10 year regional network goal? (for example: dollars spent and volumes purchased for locally grown food by schools, stores, restaurants; numbers of community gardens; acreage of farm land preserved)

Actions | ▼

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20. What experience, skill, expertise or resource might you like to contribute to Northwest Michigan's food and farming community? Please describe briefly here...

Actions | ▼

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21. Do you plan to attend the F&FNetwork's winter/early spring 2012 summit (date and location to be announced)

Actions | ▼

Yes		27	84%
No		5	16%
Total		32	100%

We looking to receiving your completed survey no later that 7:00 pm, Monday evening, February 21. Thank you for taking time to help us to learn more about who you are, what you do, what you may need, and to help inform the Food & Farming Network's next steps toward our 10-year goal to increase the resilience and double the value of our region's food and agricultural system by 2019.

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2. How did you hear about this year's February 4 summit?	
#	Response
1	helped plan it
2	part of the planning committee
3	Internet
4	Diane Conners
5	Master Gardener Volunteer weekly update from Pam

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3. Briefly tell us why you attended this year's summit?	
#	Response
1	because I'm fully engaged in promoting and expanding the local food system in NW Mi
2	Concerned about 'passing the baton' to the next generation, REAL sustainability, and to find my niche
3	As distributors, we feel it is important to be part of the effort to grow & expand the agri-business in this region
4	Work related, but also personally support prosperity for the farming industry.
5	To continue learning how to help local foods initiatives and to support related networking
6	to network, find new opportunities for partnership
7	To see how my business could benefit from the summit and to see what is going on with our local farms.
8	Network with businesses and individuals
9	I am a beginning farmer and thought it would be useful to attend
10	Having recently moved back into the area, I was interested in the current entrepreneurial and marketing climate for localized food production and sustainability.
11	I am in complete agreement with the Grand Vision, and have been working independently for years trying to get more local foods consumed locally! Now we've got a team working on it, and the summit is a great way to get people motivated!
12	To go to a meeting.
13	Diane invited me to speak
14	Learn more about the Food & Farming Network
15	I need to change careers. I am interested in starting a new business related to growing and producing food or drink.
16	I am an agricultural and information entrepreneur and I am involved in our regional and national agriculture.
17	Networking, exploring new potential markets.
18	Networking opportunities
19	I am a current grower/distributor as well as a vendor at Farmer's Markets. We have such a vast array of items available in this area that I want to see us reaching out to the community and making that connection as much as possible.
20	There is interest in starting a community garden in Kingsley. I hoped to gain ideas, sources for help, etc. to bring back to the group working on the project.
21	An important project and the Summit provides the networking and information opportunities to keep interest and commitment high
22	Strong sense of need for a solid local food economy.
23	Because I am responsible for the WIC program and I am interested in making sure our families/neighbors have access to fresh, local food on their tables.
24	I believe in the local movement! We have to build community to have a prosperous economy and quality of life.
25	We are looking to expand our CSA with diversity of products and vegetables and opening up new markets for produce, planning to expand into 4 season farming
26	We attended last year, found it informative and a good networking opportunity
27	im very interested in its success

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As a caterer, I work with a lot of local food because I like knowing my farmer and because it differentiates my company from other caterers. Well, it used to differentiate us from others. Local food is the hit now. Price and delivery are the only obstacles, but I've learned that, in some cases, price can be competitive with conventional and with a little cooperation, delivery is simple, especially if you contract the food well in advance. As the producer and promoter of the Green Plate Challenge, I'm interested in how it will impact the local food economy, our local culture and much much more. We intend compile hard data (on a voluntary basis, of course) from restaurants regarding the volume of their local purchases and their percentage of total purchases is local. Does F&F Network have an interest in any other data that could be acquired from participating restaurants? In fact, it would nice to get some sponsorship support from F&F Network or the Grand Vision in general for this program that reflects the general principles of the organization.

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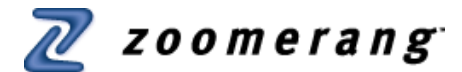
9. How valuable was the morning program that included...	
#	Response
1	Full group discussion with a focus on F&FNetwork policy priorities, including local action steps and measures of progress - with Brian Bourdages & Diane Conners All sessions were good and I found them interesting.
2	Full group discussion with a focus on F&FNetwork policy priorities, including local action steps and measures of progress - with Brian Bourdages & Diane Conners Good overall but problems with the microphone got in the way. The microphone needed to be used for all discussions as it was hard to hear in the back unless everyone else was completely quiet. People started not paying attention/loosing focus 15/20 minutes before lunch and side conversations took over.
3	Full group discussion with a focus on F&FNetwork policy priorities, including local action steps and measures of progress - with Brian Bourdages & Diane Conners The issue of clean/organic growing practices was completely missing. I feel that this should always be part of the conversation, and included in the goal.
4	Full group discussion with a focus on F&FNetwork policy priorities, including local action steps and measures of progress - with Brian Bourdages & Diane Conners I floated between three of them, and I would have liked to spend more time in a couple of them. I am not sure how you could make more time available without making the event longer.
5	Full group discussion with a focus on F&FNetwork policy priorities, including local action steps and measures of progress - with Brian Bourdages & Diane Conners A little unwieldy with the large number of people and ideas.
6	Full group discussion with a focus on F&FNetwork policy priorities, including local action steps and measures of progress - with Brian Bourdages & Diane Conners It did not really talk about connections with the farmer and outlets for his raw materials I heard to much from special interest groups

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#	Response
10.	Did you enjoy lunch and local growers' menu?
1	more of the same
2	I would have liked to see cherries in some of the offerings. Also, I would have appreciated decaf coffee and the room we ate in was extremely cold.
3	more detail on the ingredients and where the food specifically came from, side paragraph on the farm/growing techniques would add interest and spark conversation. Maybe add the recipies and a whole sample of the fruit/vegetable etc.
4	More fresh salad options.
5	Greens from a hoophouse!
6	I had to leave before lunch, but I bet it was wonderful.
7	Love the buffalo. It would be nice to get a grain grower in--there is one near or in Jackson that grows organic spelt and other wheat, but I can't remember the name.
8	The vegetable and the quinoa salad had no flavor and the veggies weren't cooked enough. The rest of the lunch was good.
9	Very healthy, very local, and very delicious.
10	would prefer a sandwich with soup

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#	Response
12. How valuable was the afternoon program that included...	
1	Your participation in one of the 11 small group topics based on the morning's full group F&FNetwork policy and action suggestions I enjoyed the small groups and the way they were encouraged to stay on track.
2	Your participation in one of the 11 small group topics based on the morning's full group F&FNetwork policy and action suggestions Perhaps if each group had a flip chart and an actual written outline of what was expected we might have gotten more reliable information out of it. Better yet, a facilitator for each group.
3	Your participation in one of the 11 small group topics based on the morning's full group F&FNetwork policy and action suggestions One person pretty much dominated the conversation.
4	Your participation in one of the 11 small group topics based on the morning's full group F&FNetwork policy and action suggestions Hard to focus the group on the idea of presenting measurable action but the ideas exchange was very good.
5	Your participation in one of the 11 small group topics based on the morning's full group F&FNetwork policy and action suggestions I have not received the summary of my small group mtg and I did not write the name down of the one who gave the presentationDiane Conners sat in on that and the other person was from MSU Leelanau County along Someone from the Benzie Leelanau Hlth Dept.

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13. Were the afternoon's concluding small group wrap-up reports and next steps of value to you?	
#	Response
1	Wow, some really nice reports
2	As a member of the Branding - Group #9, I was disappointed that our group did not have any "action steps" by the end of our discussion. Actually, I thought there were not enough action steps at the end of the process for all the groups.
3	Yes. Some groups really seemed to have arrived at concrete next steps that seemed logical and feasible.
4	People were getting restless by the end of the day, and not everyone stayed on task with their reports.
5	I left early.
6	Not much substance was presented. Some reports were not on target at all.

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14. This year's summit invited your ideas for advancing the F&FNetwork's goals, projects and measures for success. Between the February 4 program and now, you may have had additional ideas, suggestions, action steps and recommendations for the Network. If so, please briefly describe them here...

#	Response
1	I am planning to attend the Feb. 22 meeting to see what can be done or is being done regarding the Branding/Marketing/Outreach for the Summit.
2	Additional thought would be to encourage stronger support by the State for the Conservation Districts and look to their expertise more.
3	Suggest the next Summit might be held at a local farm/winery/ and rotate from there. It could help spotlight the business and may generate business from people that had not visited before. We could ask for volunteers from the network that would like the focus on their business and would be willing and able to host 130 people on their farm etc.
4	Need to set aside more time for the small group wrap-ups and setting measurable agendas for the next steps.
5	Talked with Vicki Morrone, from MSU, and she will get with Jim Sluyter and Dan Busby about food safety/GAP stuff on what they've already accomplished at the state level.
6	Include progress towards clean growing practices, organic and better standards, and environmental restoration/regeneration in the goal and the data collection.
7	No ideas to offer at this time. Perhaps after our next Kingsley group meeting.
8	Bob's resilience talk was good but avoided a key issue the committee should address head on: looming peak oil and climate change which will totally undercut our present ag. system. If this issue is talked about directly, it will give needed urgency to the local food development we all want to see.
9	This year's summit was not as organized as last year's. Difficulty staying on schedule and topic.
10	I'm going to continuing doing what I do. I will make an effort to do it better than before.

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15. Did NMC's Oleson Center work for you as a meeting space and location for the February 4 summit?	
#	Response
1	As mentioned earlier, dining room was very cold.
2	Black Star was better.
3	The space seemed to work but it would make sense to rotate the venue
4	I liked Black Star Farms more.
5	I felt that the space was to confining and hard to get around to mingle.

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#	Response
16. For you, what was the most valuable take away message, outcome or action step from this year's February 4, 2011 summit ?	
1	Lets keep it moving!
2	Group support for a couple of ideas that I have been working on
3	Just the overall support for the farming industry and the need to get that message to our legislators. Good for Debbie Stabenow in having her representative there. Where was everyone else?
4	Much better networking related to the various community garden concepts is needed, and this meeting was a good step in that direction.
5	we need to find away to connect evryone - farmers, markets, producers, restaurants, and consumers in a easy accessable way to get the food from the farms to the right channels to bring it to market in a safe, fast, and possibly different way beyond the raw product.
6	Take steps to buy local and work that into routine as a weekly/daily event.
7	Networking with other people
8	Some great progress has been made and interest remains high; yet more local food education and initiatives are still necessary. Also, there appears to be a great need for a liaison between local farms and local restaurants. Educating people on how to prepare food and/or initiating new CSA farms needs more focus and consolidation.
9	I loved hearing the success stories. Gets everyone pumped up. Shows that by working together, things really are coming together. Next steps from the small group discussions need to be fleshed out in future committee meetings. Maybe one of the meetings can be surrounding who's going to do what.
10	There are allot more people with government and non-profit jobs than there are farmers.
11	Finding marketing resources and opportunities
12	The Summit made me very aware that I can be part of the Farmer/Producer community, and that it is very big and growing in Michigan.
13	networking to see what is working for others and to pool together resources.
14	Get out there and spread the word about the summit and all of the things we can do to continually increase the availability of our local produce.
15	We can do it!!
16	Get behind Michigan Good Food Charter
17	Interacting with the other people there.
18	Revitalization of ideas/actions from the previous summit. New members at the table to reinvigorate our work.
19	The energy that exists in all of us...dedicated to the local movement was fabulous. Read The Town That Food Saved!!!! Great book!!!! I am so excited to see what we can continue to do!
20	Farm hard seek my own markets and not rely on the State of Michigan for anything
21	Update on local initiatives and state policy/actions
22	there are many people moving forward with ideas developed there
23	I'm sorry, I my brain is frozen and I can't think of one. I need to be at a meeting in 15 minutes.

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18. What specific Northwest Michigan Food & Farming Network assistance, advice or resource would most help your food and farming-related work and activities to move forward during the coming year?

#	Response
1	grant and funding opportunities and grant writing assistance toward a regional farmer residency network.
2	Follow up on the "one stop data shop" idea, starting with a searchable online agency project/contact listing.
3	the networking is the best resource
4	na
5	Network meetings
6	classes, instruction on farming techniques
7	Not sure.
8	Farm to school connections
9	I don't know. I would like to build up my business to pay a living wage with some benefits. I would like to get my commercial kitchen certified. I would like to get Organic and Biodynamic Certification for our veggie operation. I would like to put up the hoop house we built the frame for last year. I would like to re-organize my packing area with a new larger, permanately located walk-in.
10	Connection to land-conservation-minded investors to help buy and protect the farm I currently rent
11	marketing of local food
12	A "one-stop" place that helps with information and resouces when one is starting a new enterprise.
13	Funding and a place to find specific resources as we discussed. And case studies.
14	Not being taxed on our property based on it's potential. If you are zoned ag, you should be taxed for ag. The taxes and other expenses really kill the small farms.
15	More info concerning community gardens.
16	Traverse City urban market
17	Taste the Local Difference website maintained and enhanced.
18	grant information for non profits
19	developing processors
20	Help create a culinary destination featuring locals foods AND local wines & beers!
21	grant writing for preserved farm owners and organic producers
22	advice on sharing basic cooking skills with people to help them see that cooking from scratch does not always take long or involve expensive ingredients.
23	I am not sure at this point.
24	Wild Leek Productions could use F&F Network assistance in awarding the restaurant that purchases the most local food throughout the season. Maybe F&F Network could be the sponsor of that award.
25	Support for Community Gardens
26	Farm to school and support for starting educational food gardens

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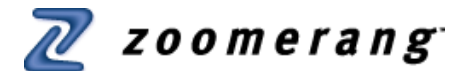
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19. What measures and benchmarks of food and farming success would you find most helpful in your own work and activities -- and that may also contribute to our 10 year regional network goal? (for example: dollars spent and volumes purchased for locally grown food by schools, stores, restaurants; numbers of community gardens; acreage of farm land preserved)

#	Response
1	# of new farmers in stable, long-term production enterprises
2	Number of current or new farmers that are becoming more profitable.
3	Increase in NW MI products sent / delivered to other parts of the state / region.
4	Numbers of people served as food recipients (by growing or receiving donations), trainees, community service providers, by community gardens
5	number of farmers/capita (should climb) petroleum/acre (should diminish)
6	na
7	Dollars spent and volumes purchased for locally grown food by schools, institutions, % of overall food budget. Dollars spent and volumes purchased for locally grown food by restaurants, stores, % of overall food budget. Which local foods have a large % of use and which local equivalents are not being purchased?
8	Not certain.
9	Numbers of acres of abandoned cropland returning to production, new farmers, and all of the above things you mentioned. Don't know how we'd measure this, but farmers increasing the amount of food sold locally that used to be sold to the "commodity market".
10	Numbers of tons of toxic agricultural chemicals not used. Not put on the crops, not washed off onto the ground, not flowed into our watersheds and Lake Michigan.
11	number of new farmers
12	Number of new small enterprises started and the number of them that become viable businesses.
13	dollars spent and volumes purchased by restaurants, stores and what kind of stores. Case studies of various scenarios.
14	Farmland Preservation and grants for small farms
15	Numbers of community gardens and locations of the gardens. Locally grown food in schools #'s, \$, etc. and what schools participate in farm to school purchases.
16	Establishment of incubator kitchens and innproved local food processing
17	See our notes from the community garden/access in schools workgroup!
18	schools and restaurants utilizing locally grown foods - both fresh and preserved!!!! % of total used. I would really like to get our schools in my community growing and processing their own food for the students in their school!
19	Increase in regional products grown and produces.
20	acreage of farm land preserved, # of preserved farms receiving grants for growing organic products
21	This will be our first year to measure how much we can grow for the schools.
22	We will taking the measurements as discussed in the previous question. The information will be provided on a voluntary basis and the winner in each category will verify its claim with purchase receipts.
23	Numbers of community gardens
24	I want to know how much locally produced food is getting consumed by kids in local schools compared to "processed" food.

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#	Response
20.	What experience, skill, expertise or resource might you like to contribute to Northwest Michigan's food and farming community? Please describe briefly here...
1	work through MSUE
2	point person/coordinator/advisor for farmer residency network
3	I have board member experience and some marketing experience. The regional branding has been on the "to do list" for the 2010 & 2011 Summits and while members feel it is important, it would appear that we either don't know about current efforts or some effort needs to be made.
4	- General (simple) assistance to MSUE, MLUI - Assisting people in learning vegetable gardening (data, instruction, design, answering questions, limited construction, e.g., raised beds)
5	na
6	finance and funding information
7	Organizational, marketing and educational initiatives.
8	Conservation planning, networking, assisting with community gardens and farm to school (both education and consumption)
9	I don't know, after all these years of doing this, I do not feel like anything has changed much. Perhaps, that allot more people can get their industrial Organic food at Walmart.
10	farmer mentor to young farmers/apprentices (not that I'm all that experienced or old, but I enjoy teaching)
11	I have design and project management skills in both agri-machinery and building construction.
12	Information and youth farming/gardening market education.
13	My knowledge of growing fruits and vegetables
14	Help establish our local community garden in Kingsley.
15	Personal involvement on Traverse City urban Markiet project
16	passion...I believe in the local movement! The more \$\$ that are spent here on local products and services the more sustainable we all are!
17	Infrastructure improvements/enhancements Business growth
18	Don't know
19	This is Grow Benzie's first year with our green house and we hope it will be a learning center for the county whereby they can take what is learned there and plant a garden at home or have a plot at GB and have the health benefit of fresh food.
20	Culinary skill and passion as well as Green Plate Challenge production and promoting efforts.
21	I already work with a local community garden and childrens activitys related to growing food

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