



## Healthy Food Connect

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### **Agenda for Kickoff Event**

Wednesday, March 30, 2016

- 8:30 Registration, breakfast, informal networking
- 9:00 Welcome  
**Florine Mark**  
Trustee  
Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan
- 9:05 Healthy Food Connect Overview  
**Melissa Smiley**  
Special Assistant and Strategy Officer  
Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan
- 9:10 Keynote Address  
“Equity: The Key to Growing a Sustainable and Just Food System”  
**Amanda Navarro**  
Director  
PolicyLink
- 10:20 Break
- 10:30 State and regional snapshots  
**Kate Krauss**  
Chief Operating Officer, Fair Food Network  
**Colleen Matts**  
Farm to Institution Specialist, MSU Center for Regional Food Systems  
**Megan Masson-Minock**  
Michigan Local Food Council Network



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- 11:30 Short talks about local activities  
**Dr. Gwendolyn Graddy-Dansby**  
Medical Director, PACE Southeast Michigan  
**Nicki Milgrom**  
Director, Sustainable Foods, Healthy Communities Program, Ecology Center  
**Willie Spivey**  
Farmer and Plum Street Market Coordinator, Keep Growing Detroit
- 12:00 Networking Lunch
- 12:45 Short talks about local activities  
**Noam Kimelman**  
Co-Founder and Board President, Detroit Food Academy  
**Sara Gold**  
Michigan No Kid Hungry Initiative Director, United Way of Southeastern Michigan  
**Kirk Mayes**  
CEO, Forgotten Harvest  
**Gerry Brisson**  
President, Gleaners Community Food Bank
- 1:15 Keynote Address  
"Collaboration, Breakthroughs and Regeneration:  
Getting Things Done and Doing It Joyfully"  
**Nikki Silvestri**  
Silvestri Strategies
- 2:20 Break
- 2:30 Healthy Food Connect Grant Guidelines  
**Melissa Smiley**  
Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan

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