Demographics:

1) Sex:
   - (1) Male
   - (2) Female

2) Race:
   - (1) African American
   - (2) Asian
   - (3) Caucasian
   - (4) Hispanic
   - (5) Native American
   - (5) Other: __________________

3) Age:
   - (1) Under 18
   - (2) 18 – 29
   - (3) 30 – 49
   - (4) 50 – 64
   - (5) 65 – 74
   - (6) 75+

4) Education level:
   - (1) Some high school
   - (2) High school Diploma
   - (3) Some college
   - (4) College degree
   - (5) Some graduate work
   - (6) Graduate degree

5) Are you the primary food shopper/buyer
   - (1) Yes
   - (2) No, who is?

6) Do you cook/prep food for the family?
   - (1) Yes
   - (2) No, who does?

7) Household income?
   - (1) Less than $10,000
   - (2) $10,000 - $20,000
   - (3) $20,000 - $30,000
   - (4) $30,000 - $50,000
   - (5) More than $50,000
   - (6) Unemployed
   - (7) Retired

8) Children (under 18 years old) in the home?
   - (1) Yes, how many?
   - (2) No

9) How many adults live in the household?
   - (1) 1
   - (2) 2
   - (3) 3-5
   - (4) More than 5

10) In general, would you say your health is:
    - (1) Excellent
    - (2) Very good
    - (3) Fair
    - (4) Poor

11) What Food Assistance Programs have you or your family used in the past year?
    - (1) Food Stamp Program
    - (2) Commodities Program
    - (3) WIC
    - (4) Free or reduced School Lunch Program
    - (5) Soup Kitchen
    - (6) Food Share: Catholic Charities
    - (7) Food Bank
    - (8) Other: __________________
    - (9) None
The Food You Eat:

12) Please select the **TOP THREE** factors that are most important to you when making food choices:
   - (1) Convenience
   - (2) Price
   - (3) Taste
   - (4) Locally-grown
   - (5) Safe
   - (6) Nutritious
   - (7) Brand name
   - (8) Certified organic
   - (9) Other: ____________________________________________

13) What does it mean to you to ‘eat well’? ____________________________________________

14) Why do you eat the way you do/What influences the way you eat? (**TOP THREE**)
   - (1) Family/culture
   - (2) Price
   - (3) Availability
   - (4) Education
   - (5) Friends
   - (6) Advertising/trends
   - (7) Special nutritional needs
   - (8) Other: ____________________________________________

15) Where do you purchase most of your food? ____________________________________________

16) How do you get there?
   - (1) Personal vehicle
   - (2) Walk/bike
   - (3) Public transportation/bus
   - (4) Other: ____________________________________________

17) Why do you shop there?
   - (1) Location/convenience
   - (2) Price
   - (3) Transportation
   - (4) Quality
   - (5) Other, please explain: ____________________________________________

18) What would you like to see more of in local grocery stores (**TOP THREE**)?
   - (1) Locally-grown foods
   - (2) Fresh fruits and vegetables
   - (3) Healthy foods
   - (4) Organic foods
   - (5) Bulk foods
   - (6) Ethnic foods
   - (7) Instant foods
   - (8) Other, please specify: ____________________________________________
19) How often do you eat outside of the home?
- (1) About every day
- (2) A few times a week
- (3) Once a week
- (4) A few times a month
- (5) Less than once a month

20) What three restaurants/establishments do you most frequent?
- (1) ________________________________
- (2) ________________________________
- (3) ________________________________

21) What about those places keeps you coming back?
- (1) Convenience/location
- (2) Price
- (3) Taste
- (4) Locally-grown ingredients
- (5) Certified organic ingredients
- (6) Other: __________________________

22) Do you feel the cost-of-living in La Plata County affects your ability to ‘eat well’?
- (1) Yes
- (2) No (skip to Q24)

23) What issues, relative to cost-of-living, affect to your ability to ‘eat well’ in La Plata County? (TOP THREE)
- (1) Personal income too low
- (2) High fuel/heating costs
- (3) High rent/lack of affordable housing
- (4) High mortgage payment
- (5) Transportation
- (6) Childcare costs/child related expenses
- (7) Other: __________________________

24) Do you ever feel that food is (generally) unaffordable?
- (1) Yes
- (2) No (skip to Q26)

25) If you have ever felt food is unaffordable, have you: (check all that apply)
- (1) Limited the size of a meal due to the lack of money?
- (2) Skipped a meal due to lack of money?
- (3) Worried about having enough to eat for yourself or your family?
- (4) Gone to the Food Bank or Soup Kitchen to get/eat food?
- (5) Shopped for the LEAST expensive food available?
- (7) Other: __________________________

26) Do you have any of the following concerns about the food you eat? (TOP THREE)
- (1) Pesticide residue
- (2) Food safety
- (3) Price
Variety/selection
(5) Transportation
(6) How far the food you eat travels
(7) Whether the food you eat is organic or not
(8) The amount of time it takes to prepare/cook meals
(9) Finding culturally appropriate foods
(10) Other: ______________________________________________________

Food Assets and Resources:
27) What would you consider a ‘food resource’ in our community? ________________
__________________________________________________________________

28) Do you grow/harvest any of your own food?
   (1) Yes, what do you grow/harvest? ____________________________________
__________________________________________________________________
   (2) No (skip to Q30)

29) Why do you grow your own food?
   (1) Like to garden/hobby
   (2) Freshness/taste
   (3) To feed myself and my family
   (4) For specific varieties I can’t find elsewhere
   (5) Cost of food from the grocery store
   (6) Control over growing practices/food safety
   (7) Other: ______________________________________________________

30) Which of the following ‘food programs’ would you like to see in our community?
   (1) Farm-to-School – local schools serving fresh, local produce
   (2) Community garden plots – affordable growing spaces for all community members
   (3) Community kitchens – affordable kitchen space for all community members
   (4) Horticultural therapy
   (5) Food buying clubs
   (6) A WIC Farmers’ Market Nutrition Program – issuing food coupons specifically for fresh, farmers’ market produce
   (7) Affordable food purchasing & cooking classes
   (8) Farm-to-chef – local restaurants receiving fresh, local produce through a grower-run distribution system
   (9) Other: ______________________________________________________

Thank you for participating in our survey.

Would you like to be notified about upcoming Growing Partners’ meetings and announcements?
E-mail/phone: _____________________________________

Community Food Security
...Means that ALL people in the community have access to safe, healthy, affordable, and culturally appropriate food.