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As part of IHDA's project application process, applicants are required to provide proof that projects are within an acceptable distance from fresh, healthy food.

- Projects in **Chicago, Metro Chicago or Other Metro** areas must be within at least **1 mile** of a full-service grocery store, farmers' or produce market.
- **Non-metro** area projects must be within **5 miles** of a grocery store or market.
- Applicants can provide proof of acceptable food access using the Food Access tool on IHDA's webpage at <https://www.ihda.org/developers/market-research/food-access-ppa-verification-process/>



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- The Food Access tool can be found by hovering over **Developers** in the main menu and clicking on **Market Research**.

The screenshot shows the IHDA website with a blue header. The navigation menu includes: HOMEOWNERSHIP, RENTAL HOUSING, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, **DEVELOPERS** (highlighted with a red box), LEGAL, LENDERS & REALTORS, and ABOUT US. A dropdown menu is open under DEVELOPERS, listing various programs. A blue box labeled 'Developers' is overlaid on the main image. Below the main image, there is a section titled 'Rental Developer' with a red box highlighting 'Market Research' in the dropdown menu. A URL is provided at the bottom left: <https://www.ihda.org/developers/#top>.

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Housing for Justice Involved Individuals
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Statewide Referral Network
Rental Assistance
Healthy Housing, Healthy Communities (H3C) Partnership Initiative
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- From the options on the page, click on **Food Access PPA Verification Process** link

Housing for Justice Involved Individuals (HJIIP) Program
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Quality of Life Index (QOLI)
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Revitalization Impact Areas (RIA)
Affordable Rental Unit Survey (ARUS)
Preliminary Project Assessment

Market Research Section Links

[IHDA Market Analysis Application \(IMAA\)](#)

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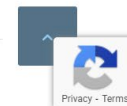
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- You will be directed to a page containing information about the Food Access tool.



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- Click on the map image for the Food Access tool.

2024-2025 Food Access PPA
Verification Process

Quality of Life Index (QOLI)

Affordability Risk Index (ARI)

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Areas (RIA)

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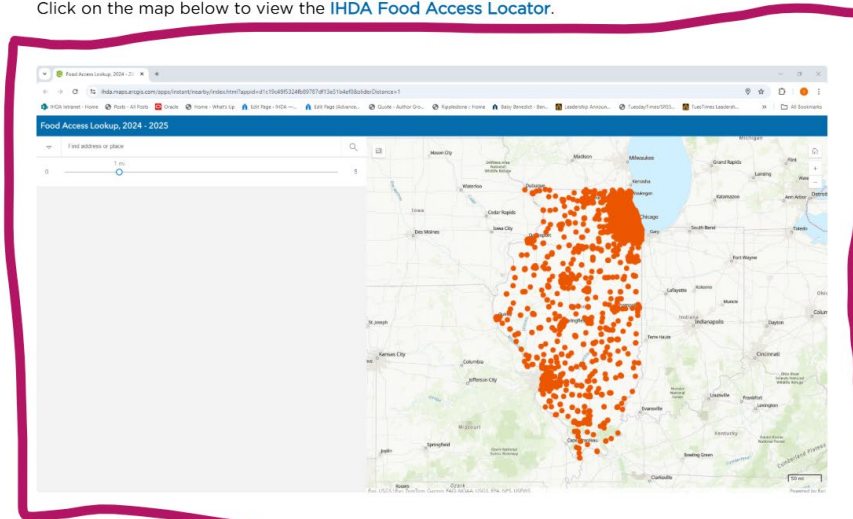
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documentation. Please note that IHDA will verify this documentation as part of its PPA review process.

For a video tutorial of how to use this tool, [please click here](#).

Click on the map below to view the [IHDA Food Access Locator](#).



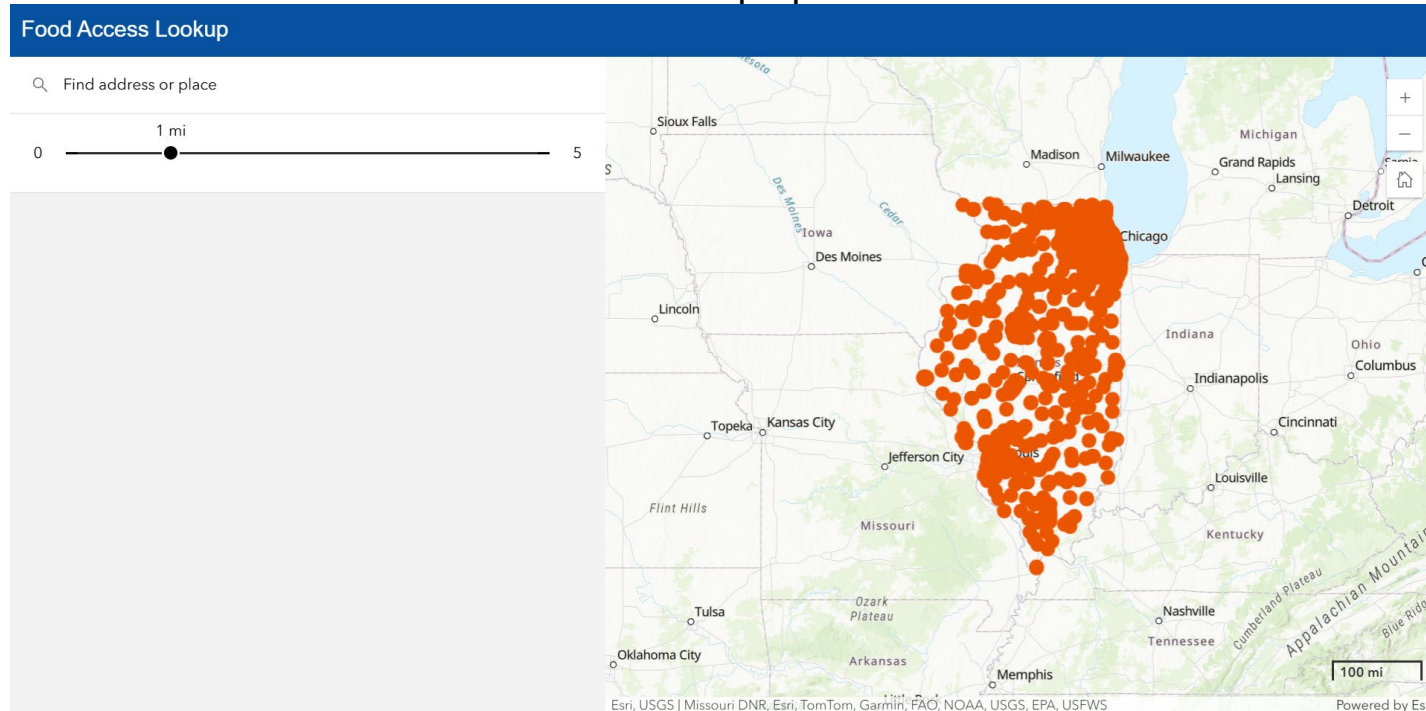
Grocery stores, farmer's markets/produce markets shown on the map above have been updated as of September 2024 utilizing the most current available ESRI data. IHDA will update this information on an annual basis or if there is a substantial change in the data sources used for





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- Once the Food Access Locator has opened, you will see a map on the right-hand side of the screen with search and map options on the left.



- The map shows orange dots representing locations of food access sites throughout the state of Illinois.



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You can select the location of your project and find food access points near it in a couple ways:

- You can zoom in on the map to its location and click the project site
- Or enter your project location address in the search bar in the top of the left-hand side of the map.

Once you have selected your project location, the tool will automatically draw a circle with the predetermined radius around the point and select all food access points within the circle.

