

SHELLYE SUTTLES

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Agricultural Economics
August 2013, Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN

M.S. Agricultural Economics
May 2009, Purdue University
West Lafayette, IN

B.S. Environmental Studies – Biology
August 2003, University of Southern California
Los Angeles, CA

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, O’Neill School of Public & Environmental Affairs
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
August 2020 – Present

Assistant Research Scientist, Sustainable Food System Science (Ostrom Workshop)
Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
August 2019 – July 2020

Economist, Economic Research Service
United States Department of Agriculture, Washington D.C.
September 2013 – January 2016

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Intern Economist, Economic Research Service
United States Department of Agriculture, Washington D.C.
May 2009 – September 2013

Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Agricultural Economics
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
August 2007 – August 2013

Research Areas of Interest

Sustainability in global, regional, and local food systems

Socioeconomic and environmental sustainability in food distribution

Environmental, food safety, and animal welfare impacts of energy and transportation policy

Food, agricultural, and environmental policy of municipal governments

International trade in agricultural commodities and food products

Social-ecological systems

Common pool resources in access-focused community food projects

Current Research Projects

1. Environmental, food safety, and animal welfare impacts of the electronic logging device (ELD) mandate on food distribution systems. Co-PIs: **Suttles, S.**, Wade, T., and L. Walters.
2. County-level determinants of food manufacturing establishment growth in Indiana. Co-PIs: **Suttles, S.** and W. Zebrowski.
3. World agricultural baselines with Dynamic CGE modeling. PI: R. Sands. Co-PI: **S. Suttles.**
4. Diversity and Indiana's Food System. PIs: Babb, A. and **S. Suttles.** Co-PIs: C. Frohman.
5. Food insecurity in Indiana households with young children. PI: A. Babb. Co-PI: Knudsen, D. and **S. Suttles.**
6. Analysis of food and agriculture systems in Indianapolis and Indiana. PIs: **S. Suttles.** Co-PIs: Babb, A. and S. Giroux.
7. Effects of 2017 tax reforms on food donations. PIs: Duncan, D. and **S. Suttles.**
8. Food system mapping with duoethnography. Co-PIs: Biggs, H., Bardzell, J., Bardzell, S. and **S. Suttles.**
9. How state food policy affects minority and immigrant food environments and food business entrepreneurship. Co-PIs: Silva, A. and **S. Suttles.**
10. Beginning farmer tax credits in urban and peri-urban Minnesota. PI: **S. Suttles.**

Book Chapters

Sands, R.D. and **S.A. Suttles.** "Climate Economics, Bioenergy, and Land Use in a General Equilibrium Framework." WSPC Reference of Natural Resources and Environmental Policy: Volume 4 – Computable General Equilibrium Models. Ed. Ariel Dinar. Singapore: World Scientific Publishing Company. 2017.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Wade, T., **Suttles, S.** and L.M. Walters. "How Might the Electronic Logging Device Mandate Affect Fresh Produce Shipments and Costs?" *Choices*. 36(3): September 2021.

Robinson, J.M., Mzali, L., Knudsen, D., Farmer, J., Spiewak, R., **Suttles, S.**, Burris, M., Shattuck, A., Valiant, J. and A. Babb. (2021). "Food after the COVID-19 Pandemic and the Case for Change Posed by Alternative Food: A Case Study of the American Midwest." *Global Sustainability*. February 2021.

Walters, L., Wade, T. and **S. Suttles**. (2020). "Food and Agricultural Transportation Challenges Amid the COVID-19 Pandemic." *Choices*. 35(3): September 2020.

Fernhaber, S., Wada, T., Napier, P. and **S. Suttles**. (2018). "Engaging Diverse Community Stakeholders to Co-create Solutions in Food Deserts: A Design-thinking Approach." *Journal of Public Affairs*. 19(3): December 2018.

Sands, R., Malcolm, S., **Suttles, S.**, and E. Marshall. (2017). "Dedicated Energy Crops and Competition for Agricultural Land." USDA Economic Research Service. Economic Research Report No. 223 (ERR-223). 66 pp, January 2017.

Hitaj, C. and **S. Suttles**. (2016). "Trends in U.S. Agriculture's Consumption and Production of Energy: Renewable Power, Shale Energy, and Cellulosic Biomass." USDA Economic Research Service. Economic Information Bulletin No. 159 (EIB-159). 53 pp, August 2016.

Low, S.A., Adalja, A., Beaulieu, E., Key, N., Martinez, S., Melton, A., Perez, A., Ralston, K., Stewart, H., **Suttles, S.**, Vogel, S. and B.B.R. Jablonski. (2015). "Trends in U.S. Local and Regional Food Systems." USDA Economic Research Service. Administrative Publication No. 68 (AP-068). 89 pp, January 2015.

Suttles, S.A., Tyner, W.E., Shively, G., Sands, R.D. and B. Sohngen. (2014). "Economic Effects of Bioenergy Policy in the United States and Europe: A General Equilibrium Approach Focusing on Forest Biomass." *Renewable Energy*, 69. 428-436. 2014.

Martinez, S., Hand, M. Da Pra, M., Pollack, S., Ralston, K., Smith, T., Vogel, S., **Clark, S.**, Lohr, L., Low, S. and C. Newman. (2010). "Local Food Systems: Concepts, Impacts, and Issues." USDA Economic Research Service. Economic Research Report No. 97 (ERR-97). 87 pp, May 2010.

Peer-Reviewed Publications in Review

Suttles, S. and W. Zebrowski. "Is Indiana Ready to Take Advantage of New Food Manufacturing Trends? An Economic Analysis of Indiana's Recent Food Manufacturing Growth."

Sands, R. and **S. Suttles**. "World Agricultural Baselines to 2060."

Peer-reviewed Publications in Development

Suttles, S., Wade, T. and L. Walters. "Hiding in Plain Sight? Increased Emissions from Transportation Safety Policy."

Suttles, S., Frohman, C. and A. Babb. "The History of Discrimination and Diversity in Indiana's Food System"

Suttles, S., Babb, A., Frohman, C. and L. Lippmann. "A systematic study of equity in Indiana's food system and the potential use of equitable food system metrics."

Other Publications

Wade, T., **Suttles, S.** and D. Farnsworth. (2020). "The Electronic Logging Device Mandate and Costs for Refrigerated Citrus." UF/IFAS Extension. EDIS Document No. FE1086. November 2020.

Suttles, S. (2019). "The Time for Macroeconomics in Municipal Food Policy." *Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development*. March 28, 2019. Web.

Suttles, S. (2018). "Economy and Jobs Overview in Marion County" in Beverage, M. and E. Toner, *Indianapolis State of the Food System*. Indy Food Council. 2018.

Suttles, S. (2014). "Agricultural Energy Use and the Proposed Clean Power Plan." USDA Economic Research Service, Amber Waves. September 8, 2014. Web.

Suttles, S. and T. Capehart. (2014). "Energy: Title IX" in Claassen, R., *Agricultural Act of 2014: Highlights and Implications*. USDA Economic Research Service. 2014. Web.

Marshall, M.I., Quagraine, K. and **S. Clark.** (2008). "Aquaculture Small Business Startup Kit." Department of Agricultural Economics, Purdue University. June 2008.

Peer-reviewed Conference Abstracts, Proceedings, and Presentations

Suttles, S. and W. Zebrowski. (2020). "An Economic Analysis of Indiana's Recent Food Manufacturing Growth." Food Distribution Research Society Annual Conference. Virtual. October 13, 2020.

Walters, L., Wade, T. and **S. Suttles.** (2020). "Food and Agricultural Transportation Challenges Amid the COVID-19 Pandemic." Food Distribution Research Society Annual Conference. Virtual. October 13, 2020.

Wade, T., Walters, L.M. and **S. Suttles.** (2019). "The Electronic Logging Devices Mandate and Possible Implications for Fresh Produce Transportation." Food Distribution Research Society Annual Conference. Seattle, WA. October 21, 2019.

Suttles, S. and D. Marquardt. (2014). "Land Cover Change: The Nexus of Forestry, the Carbon Cycle, and Economics." 17th Annual Society for Conservation GIS International Conference. Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove, CA. July 12, 2014.

Sands, R.D., Jones, C. and **S. Suttles.** (2014). "The Role of Agricultural Productivity in Scenarios with Climate Impacts (FARM)." Forestry & Agriculture Greenhouse Gas Modeling Forum. Shepherdstown, WV. 2014.

Clark, S.A. and M.I. Marshall. (2010). "Women, goal orientation and success: A family business perspective." United States Association for Small Business and Entrepreneurship. Nashville, TN. USASBE, Nashville, 2010. 1193-1214.

Clark, S. (2010). "Census of Agriculture & ARMS: Analysis of Farm Business and Household Participation in Local Food Economies." 49th Southern Regional Science Association Meeting. Crystal City Marriott Hotel, Washington, DC. March 26, 2010.

Ahearn, M., Johnson, J. and **S. Clark.** (2009). "Census of Agriculture & ARMS: Important Complements in Analyzing the Diversity of Farm Operators." AAEA & ACCI Joint Annual Meeting. Hyatt Regency, Milwaukee, WI. July 28, 2009.

Honors and Awards

O'Neill School of Public & Environmental Affairs, Indiana University. Faculty and Staff Merit Award for Exemplary Achievement During a Pandemic in Faculty Research. April 28, 2021.

United States Department of Agriculture. 2016 Abraham Lincoln Honor Award for "Trends in U.S. Local and Regional Food Systems." September 12, 2016.

Agricultural & Applied Economics Association. Quality of Communication Award – Honorable Mention for "Trends in U.S. Local and Regional Food Systems." August 1, 2016.

Economic Research Search, USDA. Helios Award – Research, Staff Analysis, & Outlook for "Highlights and Implications of the Agricultural Act of 2014 for Local and Regional Food Systems." May 21, 2015.

Grants and Fellowships

United States Department of Agriculture. Incentivizing Land Access for Small, Beginning and Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers: Research, Extension and Community of Practice. PI: J. Farmer. Co-PIs: Valliant, J., Babb, A., and **S. Suttles.** \$499,997

Indiana State Department of Agriculture. Indiana Tree Nuts: Pilot Research to Bolster Supply Chains for Indiana Grown Walnut, Chestnut, Pecan and Hazelnut. PI: J. Valliant. Co-PI: **S. Suttles.** \$82,954

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Equity-Focused Policy Research: Building Evidence on Nutrition Supports for Low-Income Families with Young Children. Co-PIs: Babb, A. and **S. Suttles.** \$183,202

City of Indianapolis. Food Policy Plan. PI: J. Farmer. Co-PIs: Babb, A., Ellet, J. and **S. Suttles.** \$249,893

Indianapolis Star. Our Children Grant, 2017. Co-PIs: **Suttles, S.** and L. Sipes. \$50,000

USDA. National Needs Fellowship in the Economics of Alternative Energy, 2009-2013.

Invited Presentations, Lectures, and Panels

Suttles, S. "Equity & Diversity in the U.S. Food System." SNAC, Indiana Department of Health. November 3, 2021.

Alexander, J., Brabson, B., Goehl, S. and **S. Suttles.** "What will Bloomington Look Like in 50 Years?" Bloomington Environmental Commission. Virtual. October 9, 2021.

Raturi, A., Rodriguez, J. and **S. Suttles**. Moderator: E. Hestir. "HCI and Food: Feeding 10 Billion People: Perspectives on Humans, Computers & AgTech." 5th Annual Women in Tech Symposium. Virtual. March 12, 2021.

Suttles, S. and B. Cosby. Indiana University Food Institute's Food and (anti-)Race(-ism) Seminar. Virtual. December 11, 2020.

Howe, K., Jannetta, K., Kennedy, M. and **S. Suttles**. "Using Technology to Improve Food Access." 2020 Hunger Free Communities Virtual Summit. Virtual. November 19, 2020.

Suttles, S. "Hiding in Plain Sight: Increased Emissions from Transportation Safety Policy." Indiana University Environmental Resilience Institute & Integrated Program in the Environment's Environmental Resilience Speakers Series. Virtual. November 6, 2020.

Cosby, B., Elliott, J., Shackelford, R. and **S. Suttles**. Understanding the Roots of Racism: Food Insecurity. Virtual. September 16, 2020.

Brinson, L., Gough, T., Gruver, J., Knight, J. and **S. Suttles**. Homeworks: Food Systems. Indy Design Week. Virtual. May 7, 2020.

Elliott, J., Fraiser, J., Howe, K., and **S. Suttles**. Food security panel discussion. Ivy Tech Community College Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Community Symposium. Indianapolis, IN. November 22, 2019.

Suttles, S. "The Food System & Food Access in the Context of Public Health." Indianapolis Chamber of Commerce. Indianapolis, IN. September 3, 2019.

Gunning-Francis, L., Miner, D., **Suttles, S.** and T.D. Williams. Public Forum on Childhood Hunger and Poverty. Church Women United. Indianapolis, IN. June 15, 2019.

Suttles, S. "Food Policy in the City of Indianapolis and Marion County." Opportunity Indianapolis. Leadership Indianapolis. Indianapolis, IN. April 11, 2019.

Haring-Cozzi, C. and **S. Suttles**. "Housing Insecurity and Food Insecurity in Marion County." Community Health Network's Eastside Leadership Program. Leadership Indianapolis. Indianapolis, IN. February 19, 2019.

Chappell, J., Steck, M., **Suttles, S.** and M. Weise. "Minding the Gap between Benefits and Prosperity." 2019 Prosperity Indiana Summit. Indianapolis, IN. January 30, 2019.

Criswell, A., Davies, C., Landis, J. and **S. Suttles**. Food Advocacy Panel. Madison County Local Food Summit. Anderson, IN. January 19, 2019.

Suttles, S. “Maternal and Childhood Health: Food Insecurity.” Stanley K. Lacy Executive Leadership Series XLIII. Leadership Indianapolis. Indianapolis, IN. December 18, 2018.

Suttles, S. “Food Policy in Indianapolis.” Concerned Clergy. Indianapolis, IN. November 10, 2018.

Suttles, S. “Food Policy in the City of Indianapolis and Marion County.” Opportunity Indianapolis. Leadership Indianapolis. Indianapolis, IN. August 16, 2018.

Brown, W., Lawler, J., Lu Williams, S. and **S. Suttles.** Panel discussion. Healthy Food Access in Indiana: Intersections and Opportunities. Indiana Healthy Food Access Coalition. Indianapolis, IN. June 21, 2018.

Suttles, S. “Anxiety: Food Insecurity.” Creative Mornings Indianapolis. Indianapolis, IN. January 26, 2017.

Katz, J., Mitchell, A. and **S. Suttles.** Sustainability, quality of place, economic development... and local food? Indiana Food Summit. Indianapolis, IN. September 26, 2017.

Fults, J., Osili, V., and **S. Suttles.** Testimony to Indiana Senate, Summer Study on the Healthy Food Financing Initiative. September 6, 2017.

Suttles, S. “Food Access in Indianapolis.” Indiana INTERNet Day. Indianapolis, IN. June 14, 2017.

Suttles, S. “Food Policy in the City of Indianapolis and Marion County.” Food Access Opportunity Indianapolis. Leadership Indianapolis. Indianapolis, IN. May 11, 2017.

Letherer, T., Markle, N., **Suttles, S.** and J. Quattrini. Food access panel. Southeast Neighborhood Congress. Indianapolis, IN. March 23, 2017.

Gardner, N., Ingram, R., and **S. Suttles.** “Strengthening Our Food System.” INRC Neighbor Power Indy. Indianapolis, IN. March 3, 2017.

Suttles, S. “Marion County’s Food System.” Marion County Soil and Water Conservation District Annual Meeting. Indianapolis, IN. February 28, 2017.

Miner, D., **Suttles, S.** and J. Vaughn. Equity Panel on Hunger. Kheprw Institute. Indianapolis, IN. February 26, 2017.

Burleson, C. and **S. Suttles.** Indianapolis Food Issues Panel Discussion. Indianapolis Urban League. Indianapolis, IN. February 20, 2017.

Adam, L., Cederquist, D., Davis, M. and **S. Suttles.** Indy Healthy Food Access Challenge: Kick-off Panel & Discussion. communityINNOVATE. Indianapolis, IN. February 7, 2017.

Professional Development

- Faculty Success Program. National Center for Faculty Development & Diversity. Fall 2021
- WINDC Short Summer Course. Virtual. July 19-23, 2021

- AAEA Research Mentorship Workshop. Virtual. August 4-5, 2021
- Power of Procurement. Chicago, IL. May 15-17, 2019
- Food Policy Advisors, U.S. Conference of Mayors Winter Meeting. Washington, DC. January 23-25, 2019
- Urban Agriculture Certificate. Purdue Extension – Marion County. Indianapolis, IN. 2018-2019
- Indiana Food Summit. Indianapolis, IN. September 26, 2017
- Advanced Techniques in General Equilibrium Modeling with GAMS. EcoMod Modeling School. Brussels, Belgium. July 18-22, 2011

Advisory Committees

- LISC Indianapolis. Equitable Food Access Initiative (EFAI) Advisory Committee. 2021 – Present
- Indiana Clinical and Translational Sciences Institute (CTSI). Community Health Partnerships (CHeP) Advisory Board. 2021 – Present
- Elanco Animal Health Inc. Food-Secure Indy, Executive Steering Committee. 2020 – Present
- Indy Chamber. Business Equity for Indy (BEI), Impediments to Health taskforce, Access to Healthy Food workstream. 2020 – Present

Research Consultation

- IUPUI Polis Center. SAVI Community Trends report food access and food security. 2019
- Central Michigan University. NSF Sustainable Urban Systems: Food and Innovation Sustainable Urban Cities Rural-Urban Linkages. 2019
- Eastside Catholic Community. Food insecurity on the Eastside Indianapolis. 2018 – 2020
- Stephanie Fernhaber, Butler University. Indy Healthy Food Access Challenge. 2017

News Interviews and Media Coverage

Fox59 (2021). "Indy Night Market pushes to supply healthy food options." September 23, 2021.

Gibson, L. (2020). "Tricky this year!: How to help the planet while gift shopping during the pandemic." Indianapolis Star. December 21, 2020.

Gibson, L. (2020). "7 tips for sustainable gift giving during the most wonderful (and wasteful) time of year." Indianapolis Star. December 21, 2020.

ALL IN. (2019). "Food deserts." WFYI Indianapolis. September 3, 2019.

No Limits. (2019). "Food access." WFYI Indianapolis. June 20, 2019.

Community Connection with Tina Cosby. (2019). "Food Deserts in Indianapolis and the Mayor's Plan." AM 1310/92.7 FM The Light. June 18, 2019.

Newman, J. (2019). "City expands pilot program in reaction to Walmart closure." Indianapolis Business Journal. June 13, 2019.

Woolley, M. (2019). "I'm just sayin': Getting rid of food deserts." Indianapolis Recorder. June 13, 2019.

- Hays, H.V. (2018). "Is seeking food assistance with an app easier than a phone call? Indy program coming next year could find out." Indianapolis Star. December 27, 2018.
- Sheridan, J. (2018). "App aims to connect food insecure residents to resources." Indiana Public Media. December 26, 2018.
- WISH TV 8. (2018). "2018 People's Food Summit." WISH TV 8. October 19, 2018.
- Schlegelmilch, E. (2018). "Shellye Suttles and the fight for food security in Indianapolis." Edible Indy. September 27, 2018.
- Hopkins, E. (2018). "The solution to Indianapolis food deserts looks a lot like our farm-to-table movement." Indianapolis Star. September 4, 2018.
- King, B. (2018). "Three years after major grocery store closures, some Indy neighborhoods still struggle." Indianapolis Recorder. August 30, 2018.
- Reese, E. (2017). "Making Food Insecurity a Thing of the Past." Johns Hopkins Center for Government Excellence (GovEx). November 20, 2017.
- No Limits. (2017). "Side effects: Food access." WFYI Indianapolis. August 29, 2017.
- Columbo, H. (2017). "City to steer \$500K into grocery development in low-income areas." Indianapolis Business Journal. August 17, 2017.
- DeNoon, L. (2017). "A growing movement tries to tackle an East Side food desert." Side Effects, WFYI Indianapolis. June 6, 2017.
- Stall, S. (2017). "Butler prof gets out of classroom, puts theories to test on food issues." Indianapolis Business Journal. May 25, 2017.
- Van Winkle, T. (2017). "Community collaboration key to food security." Indianapolis Star. February 18, 2017.
- No Limits. (2017). "Indy Healthy Food Access Challenge." WFYI Indianapolis. February 7, 2017.
- Hackney, S. (2016). "A new approach — feeding Indy from city hall." Indianapolis Star. September 9, 2016.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, O'Neill School of Public & Environmental Affairs

Courses: Statistical Analysis for Effective Decision Making, Food Policy in a Changing World

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN
August 2019 – Present

Instructor, Resource Economics and Policy
Course: Resource Economics
Inner Mongolian Agricultural University, Hohhot, China
June 2012

Tutor, Intercollegiate Athletics
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
August 2008 – August 2012

Teaching Assistant, 2008 Purdue Top Farmer Crop Workshop
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN
July 2008

Guest Lectures

- ACE 199, Sustainable Food Systems. *Equity & Diversity in U.S. Food Systems*. Agricultural and Consumer Economics, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign. April 16, 2021.
- PSUS 6235, Food & Cities. *Local Food Policy*. Sustainable Urban Planning, College of Professional Studies, George Washington University. July 23, 2020.
- AMST 602, American Studies in Practice. *Food System Research & Policy Analysis*. IUPUI. April 14, 2019.
- GEOG 352, Food and Poverty in America. *Food & Poverty in Indianapolis*. IU Bloomington. December 4, 2019.
- SPEA E591/R591, Climate Change Impacts on Natural Resources. *The Agriculture-Energy-Environment Nexus*. IU Bloomington. September 24, 2019.
- Urban Agriculture Certificate. *Using urban agriculture to improve community food access*. Purdue Extension - Marion County. March 6, 2018.
- Urban Agriculture Certificate. *Using urban agriculture to improve community food access*. Purdue Extension - Marion County. March 13, 2017.

Mentorship

- IUPUI Scholarly Concentration in Public Health. 2021-Present
- IU O'Neill School Undergraduate Honors Thesis. 2020

SERVICE EXPERIENCE

Institutional Service

The O'Neill School of Public & Environmental Affairs, Indiana University

- Masters of Environmental Sustainability (MES) Curriculum Committee

United States Department of Agriculture, Washington, D.C.

- USDA NIFA’s Capacity building grant for Non Land Grant Colleges of Agriculture review panel, 2017
- Office of Energy Policy and New Uses, USDA Office of the Chief Economic, steering committee on Agricultural, Energy, and Development. “Powering Prosperity: Bioeconomy Policy to Stimulate Growth,” 2015
- USDA NIFA’s Capacity Building Grant for Non Land Grant Colleges of Agriculture review panel, 2014
- USDA NIFA’s Alaska Native-Serving and Native Hawaiian-Serving Institutions Education competitive grant program review panel, 2014
- USDA OAO’s Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Ranchers and Veteran Farmers and Ranchers grant review panel, 2014
- USDA ERS’s Rural and Resource Economics Division summer intern coordinator, 2014

Professional Service

Editorial Council Member
AAEA Choices, Milwaukee, WI
2015 – 2016

Community Service

Board Member
Felege Hiywot Center, Indianapolis, IN
2017 – Present

- Finance chair

Board Member
Indy Hunger Network, Indianapolis, IN
2017 – Present

- Secretary, Executive committee
- Interim chair, Projects committee

Board Member
Marion County Farm Bureau, Indianapolis, IN
2019 – Present

- Urban agriculture committee chair
- Steering committee member, Urban County Farm Bureau Coalition

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Food Policy & Program Coordinator, Office of Public Health & Safety
City of Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN
August 2016 – June 2019

- Develop strategic food policy for the City of Indianapolis to improve food access and reduce food insecurity, focusing on equity and sustainability

- Examine the community and economic development potential of the City of Indianapolis and Marion County, including the economics of alternative grocery and urban agriculture
- Develop programs to increase capacity of farm and food businesses, including opportunities for agricultural land ownership and supply chain integration
- Research the role of municipal government in food policy in partnership with the Johns Hopkins Center for Government Excellence (GovEx) and Center for a Livable Future
- Administer county-wide food policy council, Indy Food Council, through providing organizational and strategic planning leadership

Regional Recruiter, Peace Corps Los Angeles Regional Office

Peace Corps, El Segundo, CA

April 2006 – August 2007

- Evaluate applicants on based motivation, commitment, emotional maturity and cultural awareness to nominate qualified individuals to sector-specific service
- Deliver presentations to community members and students on the benefits of service
- Coordinate diversity recruitment in Southern California and Arizona
- Conduct targeted recruitment of agricultural sectors

Animal Husbandry Volunteer, Sustainable Agriculture

Peace Corps, Santa María Visitación, Guatemala

September 2003 – December 2005

- Develop micro-financed chicken breeding projects to ensure food security and income generation
- Organize and instruct children to maintain household rabbit breeding to improve dietary intake
- Implement micro-financed small business project by training women's group in veterinary medicine
- Design Spanish-language veterinary materials with emphasis on preventative medicine

Professional Associations

Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA)

Committee on the Opportunities and Status of Blacks in Agricultural Economics (COSBAE)

Committee on Women in Agricultural Economics (CWAE)

Community and Regional Economics Network

Econometrics

Food Safety and Nutrition

Land, Water, and Environmental Economics

Food Distribution Research Society (FDRS)