

FOOD ENVIRONMENT ANALYSIS UPDATE

Austin / Travis County Food Policy Board Meeting

Monday, 6pm – 8pm

June 12, 2017

**2017
City of Austin
Food Environment Typology**

 Major Lakes

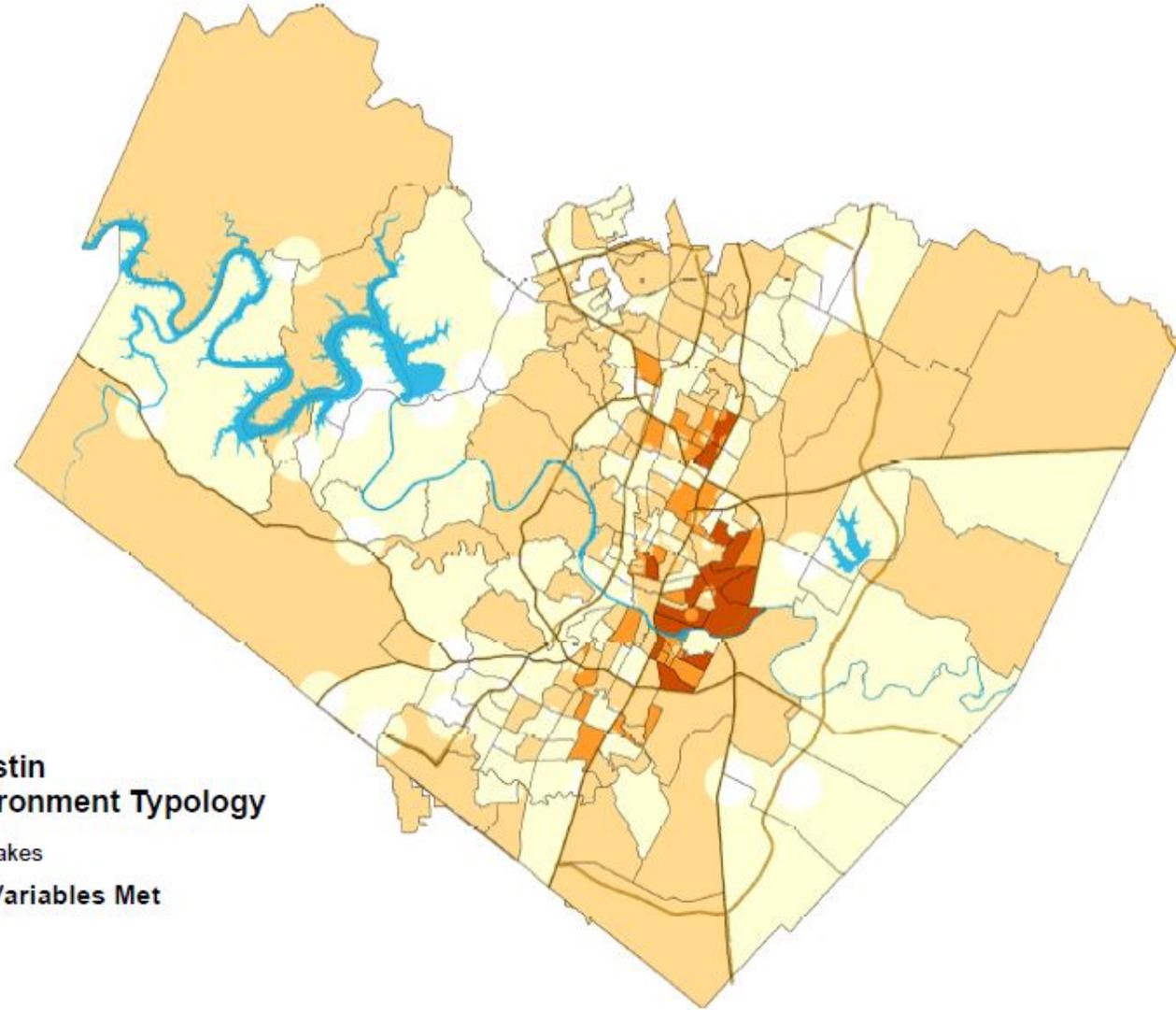
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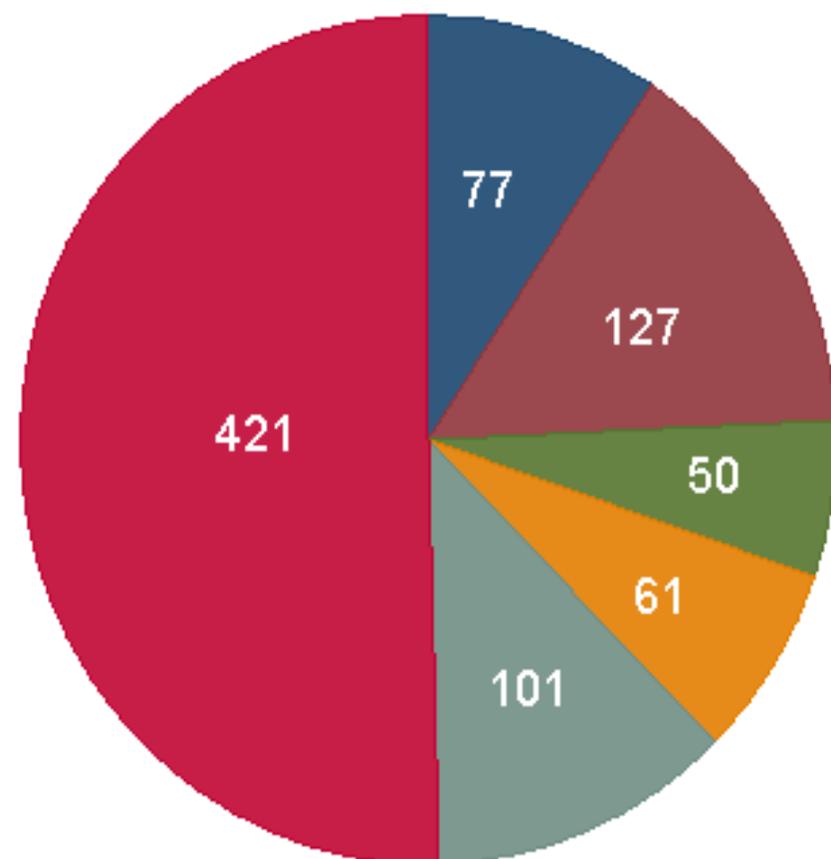
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Number of Stores Surveyed, by Type

- Gas Station – 423
- Small Grocery - 127
- Convenient Store – 101
- Supermarket – 77
- Pharmacy – 61
- Discount Store – 50
- **Total = 839**

Frequency of Store Type Surveyed



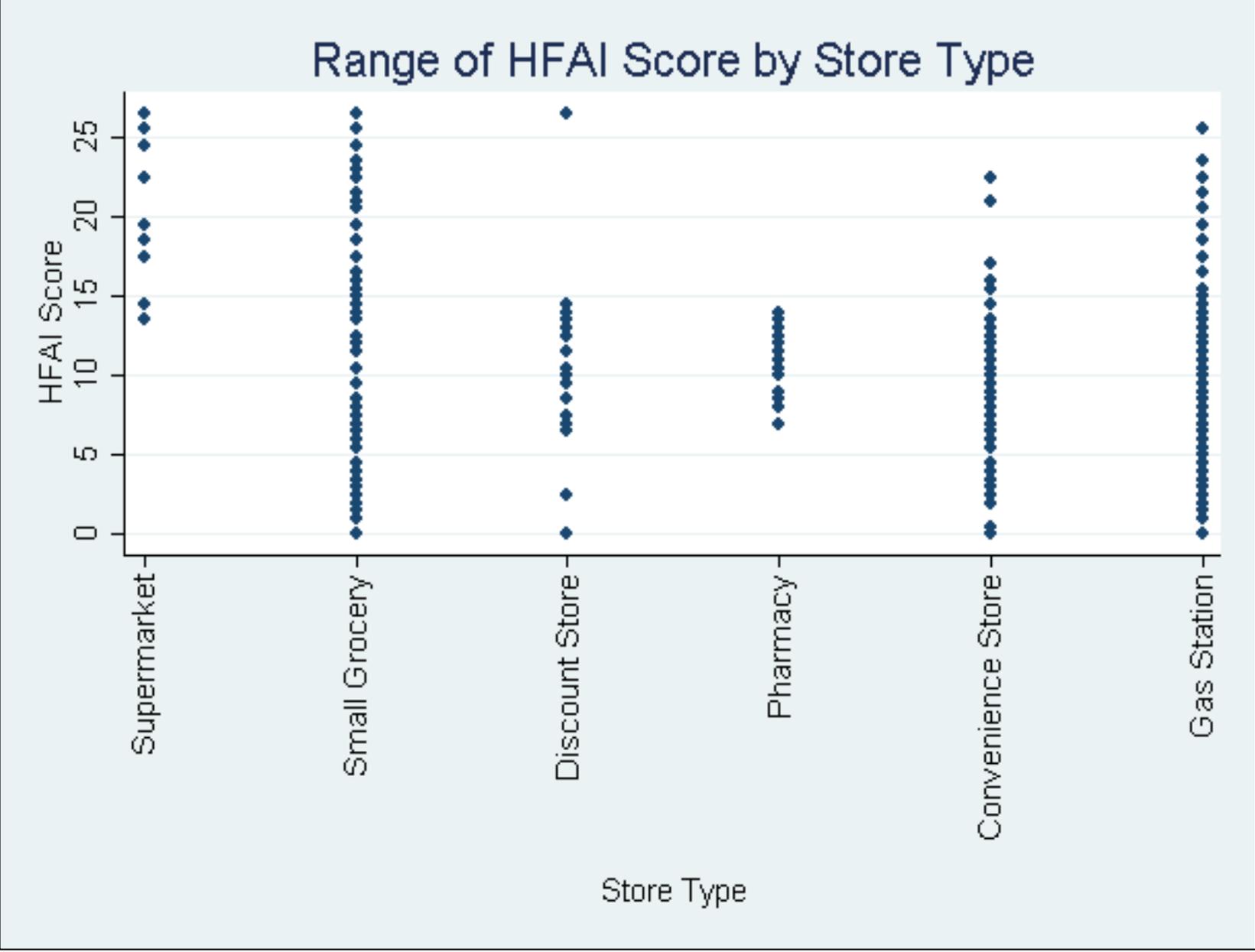
Characteristics of Stores

- **Accept WIC – 77 of 839**

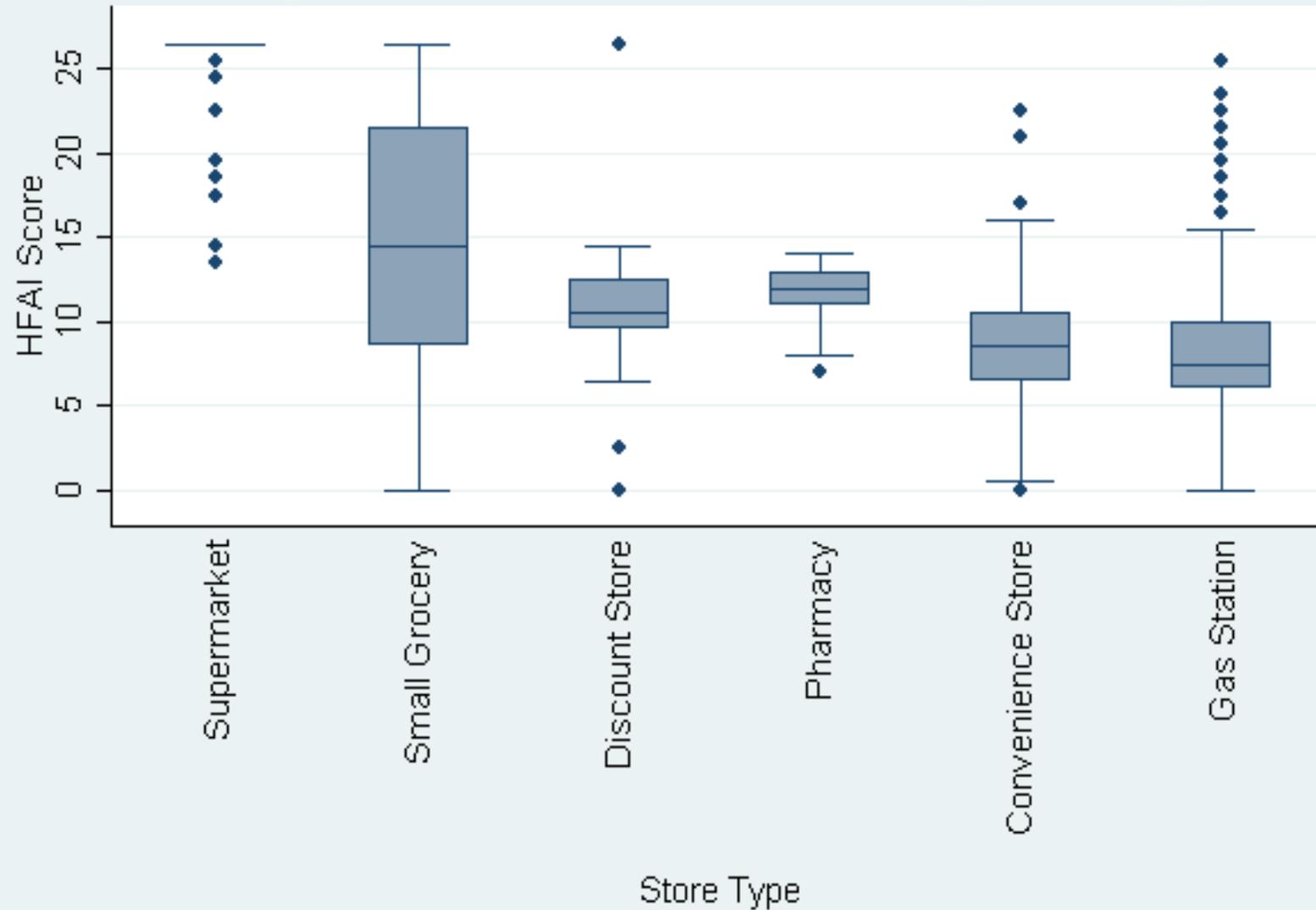
- 59 (of 77) supermarkets
- 16 (of 127) small grocery
- 0 (of 50) discount stores
- 0 (of 61) pharmacies
- 0 (of 101) convenience stores
- 2 (of 421) gas stations*
 - *these were larger supermarkets classified as gas station because they had pumps outside.

- **Accept SNAP – 646 of 839**

- 76 (of 77) supermarkets
- 89 (of 127) small grocery
- 48 (of 50) discount stores
- 58 (of 61) pharmacies
- 60 (of 101) convenience stores
- 315 (of 423) gas stations



Range & Median of HFAI Scores, by Store Type

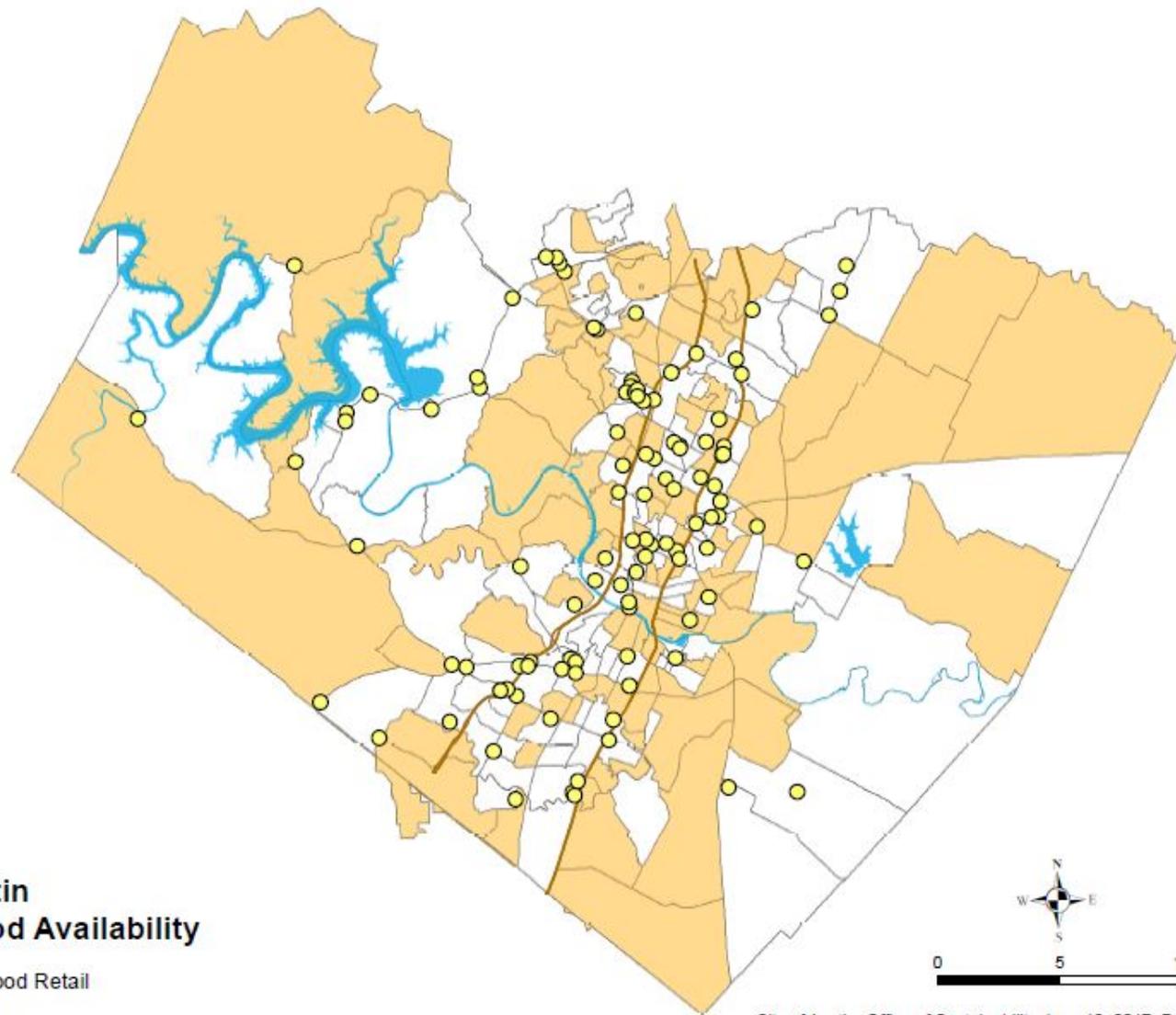


Healthy Food Availability

- 109 stores classified as healthy
 - Score 23.5 or higher on the HFAl index; or,
 - Classified as a Supermarket by our data collectors
- 107 census tracts with average HFAl scores between 0 – 9.5*
 - *Classified as low for our analysis

2017 City of Austin Healthy Food Availability

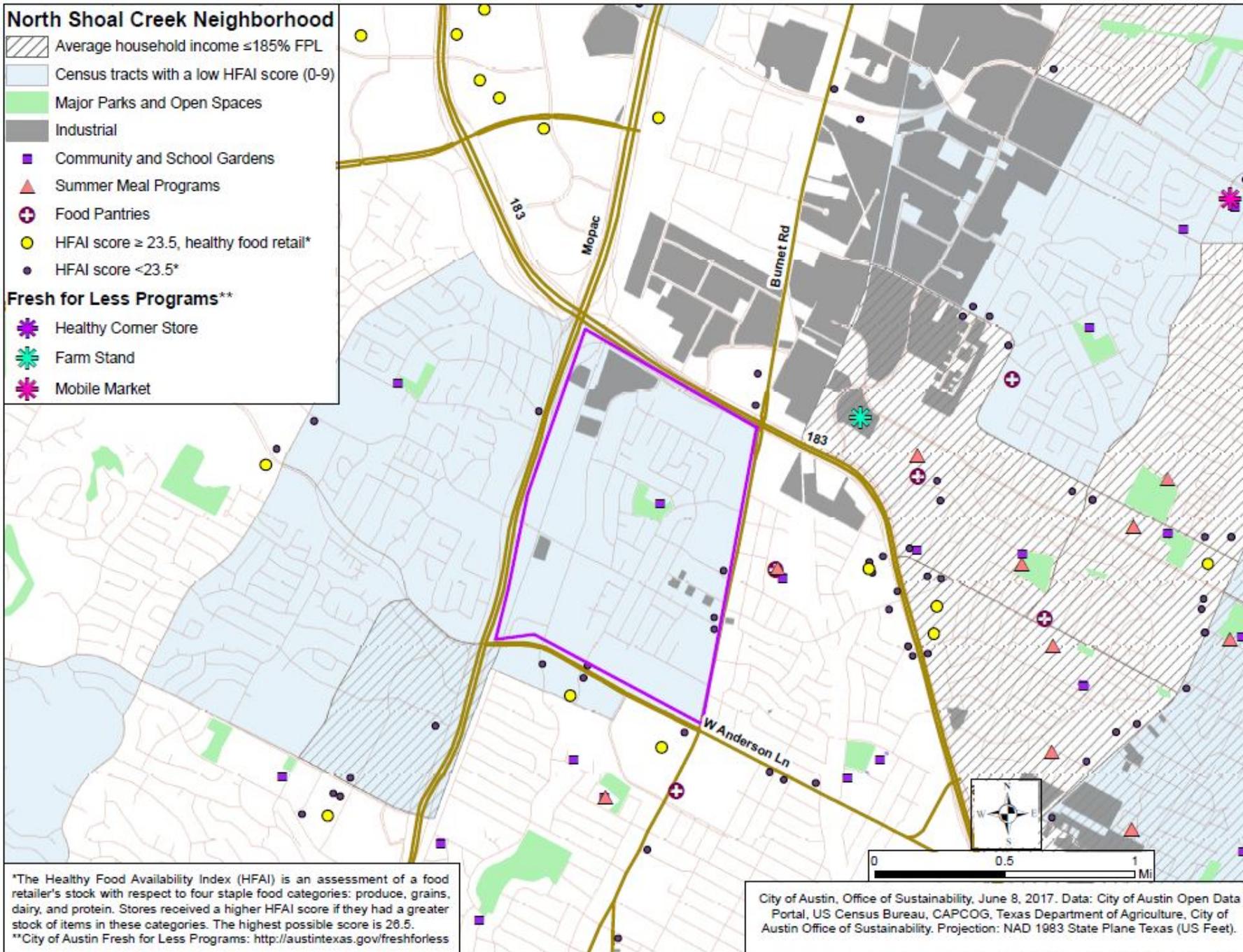
-  Healthy Food Retail
-  Major Lakes
-  Census tracts with a low HFAI score (0 - 9.5)



City of Austin, Office of Sustainability June 12, 2017. Data: City of Austin Open Data Portal, US Census Bureau, CAPCOG, City of Austin Office of Sustainability. Projection: NAD 1983 State Plane Texas (US Feet).

North Shoal Creek Neighborhood

-  Average household income \leq 185% FPL
 -  Census tracts with a low HFAI score (0-9)
 -  Major Parks and Open Spaces
 -  Industrial
 -  Community and School Gardens
 -  Summer Meal Programs
 -  Food Pantries
 -  HFAI score \geq 23.5, healthy food retail*
 -  HFAI score $<$ 23.5*
- Fresh for Less Programs****
-  Healthy Corner Store
 -  Farm Stand
 -  Mobile Market



*The Healthy Food Availability Index (HFAI) is an assessment of a food retailer's stock with respect to four staple food categories: produce, grains, dairy, and protein. Stores received a higher HFAI score if they had a greater stock of items in these categories. The highest possible score is 28.5.

**City of Austin Fresh for Less Programs: <http://austintexas.gov/freshforless>

City of Austin, Office of Sustainability, June 8, 2017. Data: City of Austin Open Data Portal, US Census Bureau, CAPCOG, Texas Department of Agriculture, City of Austin Office of Sustainability. Projection: NAD 1983 State Plane Texas (US Feet).

Timeline

- Maps to be completed by Sept. 1st, 2017
- Final report to be complete by Dec. 2017
- Consumer Behavior Survey – ongoing; preliminary results by July 1st
- Food Pantry Survey – ongoing