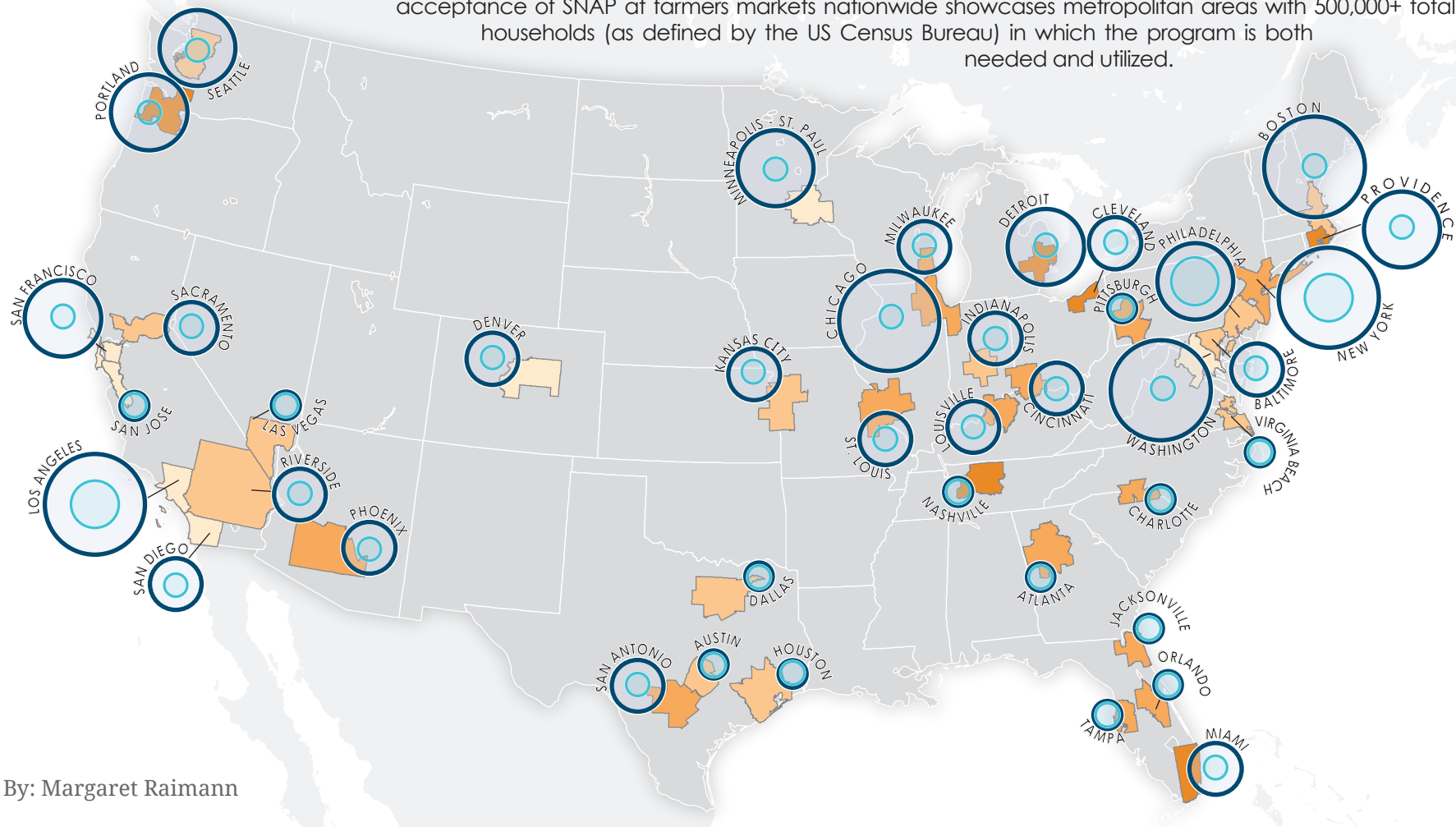


FARMERS MARKETS: ACCESSIBLE TO ALL?

Farmers markets across the United States are increasingly offering opportunities for lower-income citizens to benefit from fresh, local, and healthy food options. Those who qualify for food stamps, or specifically the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), are benefitting from their neighborhood markets that accept the program. This geographic representation of the acceptance of SNAP at farmers markets nationwide showcases metropolitan areas with 500,000+ total households (as defined by the US Census Bureau) in which the program is both needed and utilized.



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METROPOLITAN AREAS WITH HIGHEST SNAP ENROLLMENT (by total households)

1	DETROIT	16.5%	20.8%
		households enrolled in SNAP	markets accept SNAP
2	PORTLAND	15.8%	35.4%
		households registered in SNAP	markets accept SNAP
3	PROVIDENCE	15.1%	20%
		households registered in SNAP	markets accept SNAP
4	CLEVELAND	14%	34%
		households registered in SNAP	markets accept SNAP
5	NASHVILLE	13.9%	5%
		households registered in SNAP	markets accept SNAP
6	MIAMI	13.8%	3%
		households registered in SNAP	markets accept SNAP

