

# Using "Smart Growth" Strategies to Create Incentivized "Priority Areas" for Urban Agriculture - Ann Prevas

## Why Urban Agriculture Priority Zones?

- Smart growth! Food security, Opportunity, Efficiency

## Why schools?

- Opportunity, infrastructure, education, sustainability, population, inspiring the next generation of farmers

## How would this look?

- New kinds of farms, meeting demand of most consumed foods, foods that grow well in the area, vacant lots program (DC)
- Preferences for small/indoor farms, sustainable farms

## What kinds of incentives work?

- Property tax reduction (CA, LA), Land appraisal (KS), Water Incentives (MO)
- Entrepreneurial approach: Time frames on agricultural uses, Loan/grant program



East Capitol Urban Farm in Washington, DC

