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Title: *Mapping the Proximities of Food Deserts in Northeast Florida to Community Gardens*

Abstract:

Populations located within food deserts exhibit negative health and well-being outcomes such as obesity, heart disease, and diabetes. This research analyzes the spatial distribution of food deserts in Northeast Florida. In addition, this research examines how community gardens can help decrease the negative impacts of food deserts in northeast Florida. The following data was analyzed using GIS: census tracts, community garden locations, and population density. The research was presented at the 2019 Environmental Planning Society of Florida (EPSF) conference in Orlando, Florida.