What opportunities or challenges do you see in your state/region that could (or already do) benefit from collaboration?

- collective purchasing/distribution
- food access, navigating challenges that all food relief partners are experiencing with supply chain shortages and increased cost of everything
- challenges: zoning for farms in urban areas

Opportunity: food as medicine programs bringing together local food, health, and nutrition ed sectors

Aggregation, storage, and distribution of local/regional food!

opportunities-many people with interest (growing demand)

shared marketing system direct to consumer

Food apartheid

In SD we have established a SD Local Foods Coalition made up of lots of GREAT partners in the state. We are meeting bi-monthly and have 4 Action Teams working.
What opportunities or challenges do you see in your state/region that could (or already do) benefit from collaboration?

- New market access for farmers
- Access to food that is culturally appropriate
- Expansion of new local food choices
- We have 2 counties in a regional effort. Our DSS is writing for a grant to develop regional hubs
- Challenges: contaminated soil in urban area
- Diversifying crops/farm products produced and collaborating with schools, restaurants, etc. would create more stable income for farms and improve water quality. Challenges - very heavy dairy area hard to switch farmers to new ideas.
- Challenges: volunteers stepping into leader role to make action happen
- Collaborative work across the county. Storage
- Is there an opportunity to establish not-for-profit grocery stores?