With planetary urbanization fast approaching there is growing clarity regarding the unsustainability of cities, not least with respect to food consumption. Sharing, including food sharing, is increasingly being identified as one transformative mechanism for sustainable cities: reducing consumption, conserving resources, preventing waste, and providing new forms of socio-economic relations.

SHARECITY will open new research horizons to substantively improve our understanding of how, why and to what end people share food within cities in the 21st Century.
Aims & objectives
- Developing deeper theoretical understandings of contemporary food sharing
- Generating comparative international empirical data about food sharing activities
- Assessing the impact of food sharing activities
- Exploring how food sharing in cities might evolve in the future

Research phases
- 1 – Concepts and landscapes
- 2 – In-depth city ethnographies
- 3 – Co-designing impacts
- 4 – Visioning future food sharing landscapes
What do we mean by food sharing?

- Have a portion of FOOD with another or others; [shared consumption]
- Give a portion of FOOD to others; [gifting]
- Use, occupy, or enjoy FOOD jointly; [shared use of space & experiences]
- Possess an interest in FOOD in common; [shared interest]
- Tell someone about FOOD [shared knowledge/skills] (OED, 2014)

Our focus is on food sharing activities enabled by information and communications technologies (ICT)

Community gardens, CSAs, soup kitchens, food banks, potluck, meal sharing apps, collective buying schemes, food rescue, cooperatives, community kitchens, gleaning, foraging, dumpster diving, land and yard sharing, tool libraries, seed exchanges, food swaps, food education programs, skill shares, fermentation club, urban beekeeping guilds, meetup groups, food mapping sites.
SHARECITY 100 Global Picture

Top 10 Cities
- London 198
- NYC 188
- Melbourne 144
- Berlin 137
- Sydney 108
- Barcelona 107
- Philadelphia 82
- Chicago 72
- Buenos Aires 70
- Vancouver 68

Total Number of ifoodsharing enterprises: 4028
Interactive Searchable Database

Find out more: www.sharecity.ie/research/sharecity100-database/
## SHARECITY 100 - Melbourne

Scroll below the map to get more details about the food sharing activities matching your search.

For more information about food sharing the SHARECITY100 Database click here.


### 4 Food Sharing Activities in Melbourne

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Welcome to Melbourne!
Next step: Mapping Within the City

I need your help to map:
1. Hot spots of food sharing action
2. Urban agriculture and wasted space
3. Food deserts and emergency food relief
4. Food flows across the city
Theme #1: Hot Spots of Action

Where is food sharing happening?
What kinds of food sharing is happening where?
How far do these food sharing practices reach?

- Excel spreadsheet of 144 activities
- To geo-locate what you can of the activities on this sheet

To look at some case studies in more detail…
Ie. Permablitz Melbourne
http://www.permablitz.net/

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Join us for an afternoon in the sun as we thank the founders, the designers, the former hosts, the Collective members from both then and now, those that inspired us, and of course the volunteers that make it all possible.

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Theme #2: Urban agriculture & wasted space

What food is growing in Melbourne already?
What land is available to grow more food?
What other factors may benefit/disadvantage food growing in these areas?

3000 Acres
Melbourne Rooftop Mapping project
Australian Community Gardens & City Farms
Other food maps of Melbourne
Theme #3: Food deserts & emergency food relief

Concepts of:
- emergency food relief
- food deserts
- obesogenic environments
- food rescue
- food waste

Organisations to consider:
- Secondbite
- FareShare
- OzHarvest
- Foodbank Victoria
- Open Table
Theme #4: The city as a food system

Concepts of:
- urban metabolism
- social networks of resilience and social change

To consider:
- who’s connected to who
- the spatial arrangement of activities and what this means
- where does the food flow start, travel to, and stop
- what factors are essential for food in the city – ie. resources that are already present
- what factors limit food production / exchange in the city
Other thoughts

To think about:
• different types of maps you could use & draw from (Ie. Phil Howard’s work & others)
• write down your thoughts as you go to show what can & can’t be mapped
Thank you!

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