

Massachusetts Envirothon 2019  
**Community RESEARCH Award**  
Checklist

*To submit:* Please fax (413/545-6555) or scan/email ([wsnyder@umext.umass.edu](mailto:wsnyder@umext.umass.edu)) completed form by May 10, 2019.

School/Organization \_\_\_\_\_

**To qualify for this award, please complete this checklist and**

- Use the spaces below to record the research that your team has done in preparation for your Current Issue presentation. **The items below are the minimum required for the Community Research award.**
- **Submit this checklist with a completed signature sheet by Friday, May 10, 2019.**
- Come to the Envirothon ready for a conversation about your research: people you met, places you visited, new perspectives on food and agriculture. Be ready to explain how the things you list below contributed to your understanding.
- Bring your Envirothon map and a folder with any pictures, news clippings, emails, additional information, etc. that will help you tell the story of your research trek.
- **If your team departs from this checklist in your research, be ready to explain why you have still earned the award, and what you learned.**
- **Questions? Contact Will Snyder, [wsnyder@umext.umass.edu](mailto:wsnyder@umext.umass.edu) or 413/545-3876.**

**1. PEOPLE:** We interviewed (at least) **FIVE people** concerned with abundant, affordable, healthy food in our community. Write name and organizational affiliation. Be ready to recount what you learned from each:

Someone involved in farming/food production \_\_\_\_\_

Someone involved in ensuring food access for all \_\_\_\_\_

Someone involved in food waste reduction \_\_\_\_\_

Someone involved in natural resource conservation relating to food \_\_\_\_\_

Another person involved in the food system \_\_\_\_\_

Another person involved in the food system \_\_\_\_\_

**2. PLACES:** We visited the following **TWO different kinds of places** that are important for abundant, affordable, healthy food in our community. Be ready to show where they are on your map, and to explain why they are significant.

1. Farming/food production:

2. Food distribution:

**3. COLLECTIVE ACTION.** We became familiar with these **TWO projects, activities, or organizational efforts** with a presence in our community that aim for abundant, affordable, and/or healthy food. Be ready to tell the story of what you learned and explain whether they are achieving their goals:

1.

2.

(over)

**4. TECHNOLOGY.** Describe a tool that you encountered that you believe holds promise for your local food system's contribution to abundant, affordable, healthy food in 2050. Be ready to explain.

**5. SUSTAINABLE PRACTICE.** Describe a method, system, or ongoing action that you encountered in your community that you believe holds promise for your local food system's contribution to abundant, affordable, healthy food in 2050. Be ready to explain.

**6. ENVIROTHON MAP.** How did you use the map of your community provided by Mass Envirothon?

**7. MEDIA REPORTS.** Please bring paper versions of these pieces, and be ready to explain their importance:

We found this **NEWS STORY** to be relevant to our community research and findings:

Headline \_\_\_\_\_

News Source or URL \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

We found this **OPINION PIECE** related to our local food system issues to be particularly clear and convincing

Headline \_\_\_\_\_

News Source or URL \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

**8. AN UNEXPECTED FIND!** We found the following person or place or publication or other resource to be significant in our community research. (Name the resource so someone else could find it)

**9. SUMMARY.** Below is a summary of the main point(s) of our Mass Envirothon 2019 Current Issue presentation in **2 - 3 sentences**:

**BONUS #1:** \_\_\_ We found this **media image or message**, which illustrates an essential **problem OR solution** in the question of abundant, affordable, and/or healthy food for 2050. Be ready to show and explain.

**BONUS #2:** \_\_\_ We engaged in our own scientific data collection and analysis related to abundant, affordable, healthy food. On a separate sheet of paper, please describe your research and any findings.