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## DETROIT'S FOOD SYSTEM: A 'SMALL PLANET' PERSPECTIVE

Famed Author Frances Moore-Lappe to join Detroit Food Leaders  
Discussion focuses on a healthier planet through a healthier food system

Detroit, MI, January 5, 2017– The Detroit Food Policy Council will host a visit from **Frances Moore Lappé**, author of the landmark book *Diet for a Small Planet* and 18 other books that explore the importance of sustainability from the perspective of food, the environment, and society. Moore Lappé is also the founder of the Small Planet Institute in Cambridge, Mass.

“We are absolutely thrilled Frances Moore Lappé is coming to Detroit,” said Detroit Food Policy Council Executive Director Winona Bynum. “Her philosophy has inspired the good food movement on both global and local levels and we are eager to show her how we’re reimagining Detroit through a healthy food system.”

The event will feature **Malik Yakini**, founder and executive director of the **Detroit Black Community Food Security Network** and **Ashley Atkinson**, co-director of **Keep Growing Detroit**, who will discuss the background and the impact of the local food movement in Detroit. Following their remarks, Moore Lappé will talk about the connections between what is happening locally and the global movement for social justice.

TIME: 8:30 AM  
DATE: JAN 18, 2017  
WHERE: 1420 Washington Blvd.  
Detroit, MI 48226  
RSVPs requested to [www.flipcause.com/secure/cause\\_pdetails/MTQxNTc](http://www.flipcause.com/secure/cause_pdetails/MTQxNTc)

Parking is available at metered street spaces and at nearby parking garages. Breakfast will be served.

The Detroit Food Policy Council was established in 2009 by unanimous approval of The Detroit City Council. The DFPC is an implementation, monitoring and advisory body and consists of twenty-one members, including thirteen (13) representatives from various sectors of the Food System, four (4) "at-large" representatives, one (1) youth representative and three (3) governmental representatives, one each from the Mayor's Office, City Council and The Department of Health and Wellness Promotion (DHWP).

DFPC is committed to nurturing the development and maintenance of a sustainable, localized food system and a food-secure City of Detroit in which all of its residents are hunger-free, healthy, and benefit economically from the food system that impacts their lives.

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