



Society of Practitioners of Health Impact Assessment

## MODEL HIA REPORTS

Welcome to SOPHIA's Living Library of model HIA reports. The library is intended to showcase examples of high-quality HIA reporting practice. This library complements the HIA repositories listed on the [Online HIA Resources page](#).

This list of model HIA reports reflects the selection process of the SOPHIA Living Library committee. Periodically, the committee invites HIA practitioners, including both SOPHIA members and non-members, to send suggestions of well-done HIA reports. Submitted reports are reviewed by at least two different committee members using a report selection tool. The goal is to help identify HIA reports of sufficiently high quality to be held up as examples of good HIA practice.

For details about the process and the selection tool for reviewing reports, download the methodology [here](#).

If you are interested in submitting an HIA report for consideration to join this list, please click [Model HIA Reports Submission](#) (please note that this page is only available to SOPHIA members).

### Healthy Neighborhood Equity Fund HIA

**Year:** 2013

**Location:** Roxbury, Massachusetts

**Author:** Massachusetts Department of Public Health

**Topic:** Community development

This report provides an excellent example of using an HIA of a specific project to illustrate the impacts of a broader policy. The Massachusetts Department of Public Health and Metropolitan Area Planning Council conducted an HIA of three transit-oriented development (TOD) projects in Roxbury, MA, to inform the development process for the projects. The HIA also defines the health metrics that will inform a component of the Healthy Neighborhoods Equity Fund, a private equity fund, which would support TOD projects. To attract investors and to continue to build support for the link between TOD and health outcomes, the fund will support the identification of health metrics, based on health outcomes of making targeted neighborhood investments in TOD projects. Strong aspects of this HIA report include a full list of stakeholders in the appendix, a primary focus on vulnerable populations, extensive references, and an attractive format.

Download the full HIA report [here](#).

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### Potential Full-Service Grocery Store Development in a Food Desert

**Year:** 2013

**Location:** Indianapolis, Indiana

**Author:** Indiana University Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health

**Topic:** Food, Nutrition, and Agriculture

The Indiana University Fairbanks School of Public Health, along with the Marion County Public Health Department and Indiana Minority Health Coalition, conducted an HIA of a potential full-service grocery store development in the Meadows neighborhood, a federally-designated "food desert" in Indianapolis. The HIA utilized the Nutritional Environmental Measurement Survey (NEMS-S) to measure retail