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PROMOTING FOOD SECURITY – THE LUSAKA CITY EXPERIENCE

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ZAMBIA.



- Area covering 752 618 sq. Km
- Population of over 16 000 000 people.
- Has 72 ethnic groups
- Highly urbanised with 42% pop. in cities.
- Democratic nation
- Subsistence farming mainly practiced

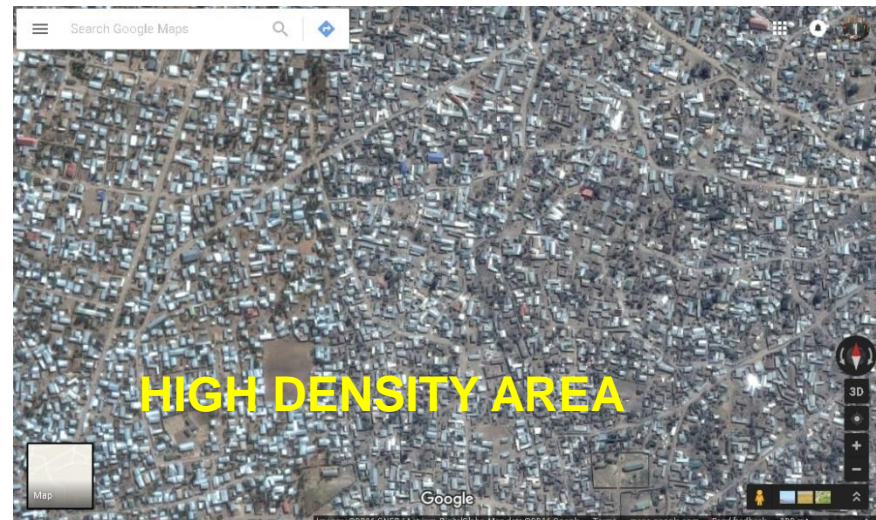
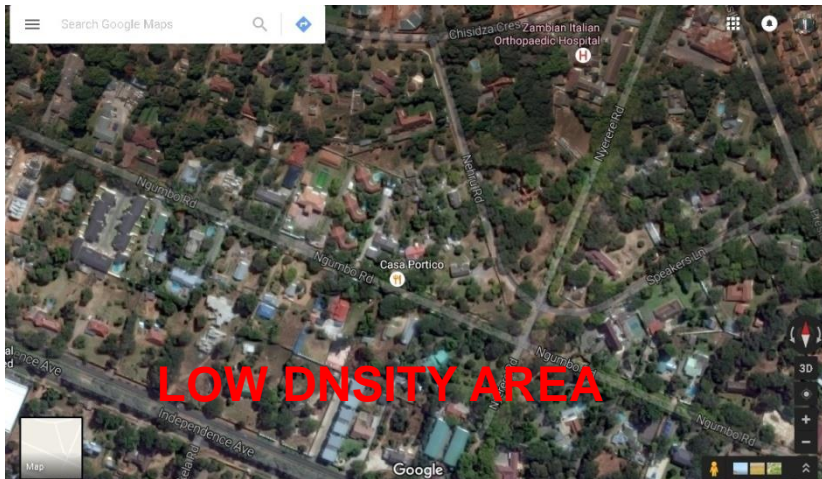


LUSAKA

- Lusaka is the capital city of Zambia
- It covers an area of 360 square Km.
- One of the fastest growing cities in Africa.
- Has an estimated population of 2.4 million people.
- 70% of population live in Peri-urban areas



AERIAL VIEW OF LUSAKA



Food systems background for Lusaka

- Lusaka City is geographically small and does not produce sufficient food to meet its demand.
- The food is imported or supplied from regions outside the city. This entails that Lusaka City relies and will continue to highly rely on food produced from other towns.
- It therefore entails that in an event of disruption in the links between Lusaka and surrounding town, as seen during covid-19, the city would run the risk of high food insecurity levels.



Key Issues in Lusaka's Food System

- Lusaka City does not grow its own food
- Lusaka food is mostly traded in informal markets
- Lusaka City is facing an emergence of modern supermarkets
- Lusaka City infrastructure is inadequate
- Lusaka City lacks a clear food waste disposal system
- Lusaka City lacks a clear food pricing mechanism and measurements

Lusaka Food Policy Council



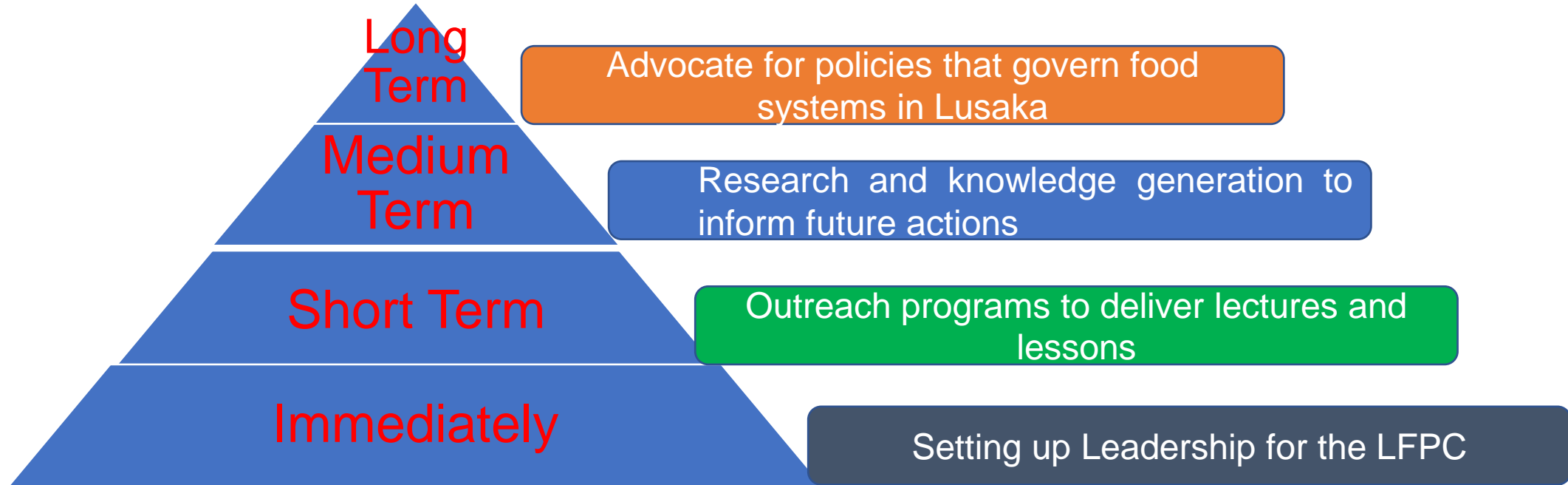
- The Lusaka Food Policy Council (LFPC) was established to spearhead the food policy initiative.
- Its mandate is to implement the food policy initiative in order to have a functional food system in the city of Lusaka that ensures its residents have access to food that is;
 - Affordable
 - Healthy
 - Reliable

Activities for the LFPC



- Advocacy
- Networking and Education
- Coordinating
- Monitoring and Evaluation
- Resource mobilization

Operational Plan for the LFPC



Conclusion

- The Lusaka Food Policy Council has provided a great platform to improve food systems in the city.

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