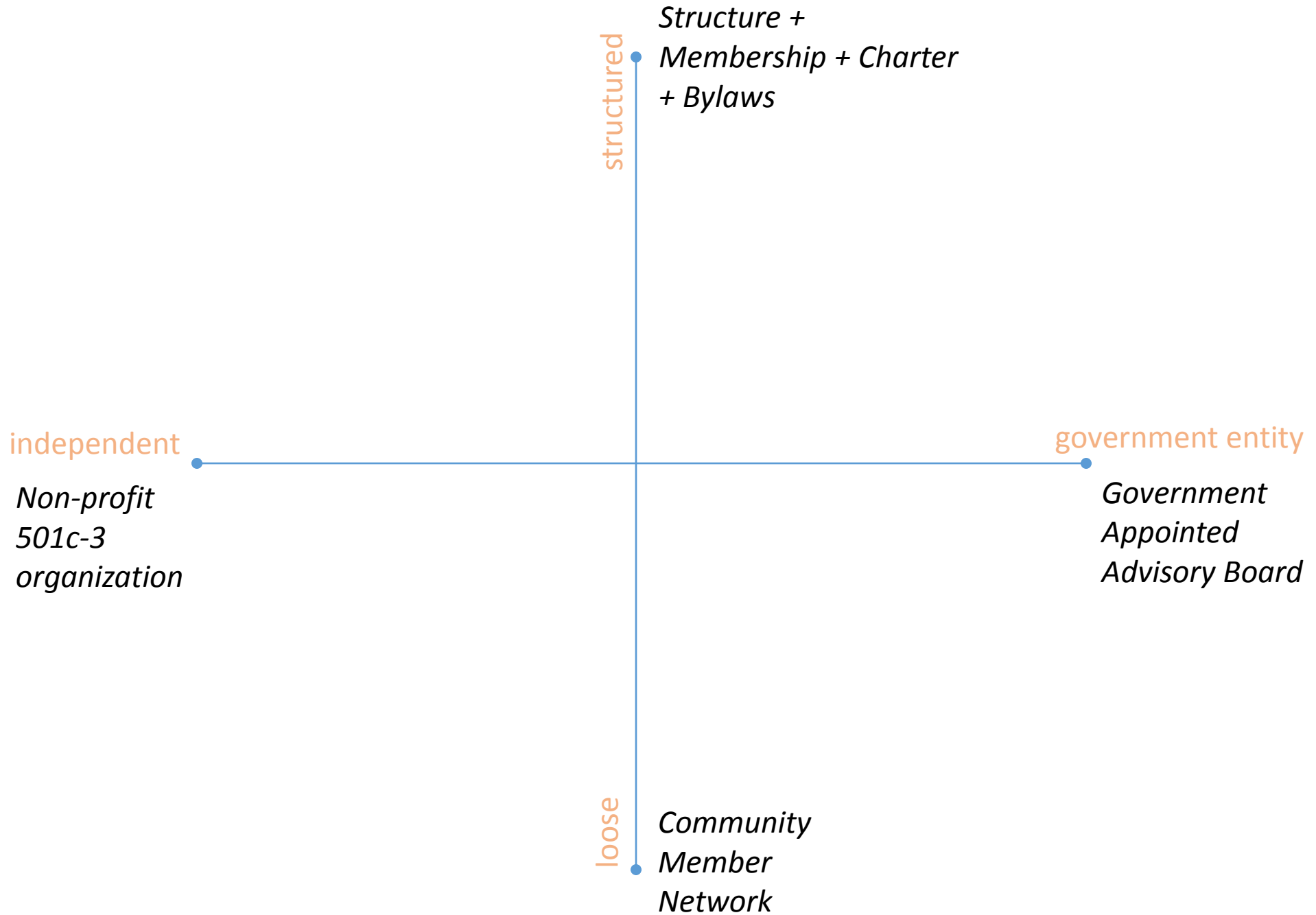


Food Council Structures

How are food councils organizing in NC?





**Charlotte-Mecklenburg
Food Policy Council *est 2010**

structured

*Structure +
Membership + Charter
+ Bylaws*



**Cabarrus Farm and Food
Council *est 2010**

independent

*Non-profit
501c-3
organization*



**Upper PeeDee Farm and Food
Council *est 2012**

**Chatham Community Food
Council *est 2014**

government entity

*Government
Appointed
Advisory Board*



**Western NC
Food Policy Council *est 2011**



**Forsyth Community
Food System Consortium *est 2013**



loose

*Community
Member
Network*

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Cabarrus Farm and Food Council



Others are totally independent of government.

Charlotte-Mecklenburg Food Policy Council



Some councils are organizing as intentional networks rather than as smaller councils. *Forsyth Community Food Consortium*



Some groups have organized at a regional level out of necessity.

WesternNC Food Policy Council



Some councils are an informal collaboration between community and government. *Upper PeeDee Farm and Food Council*



An emerging trend is a formal collaboration between community and government.

Chatham Community Food Council / Capitol Area Food Network



Some councils are created by government as official advisory boards.

Cabarrus Farm and Food Council

- Established 2010
- Originally an official advisory board, like the planning board
- Members were appointed by elected officials and Supported by county staff and resources
- Change in County Commissioners led to major changes



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Charlotte-Mecklenburg Food Policy Council

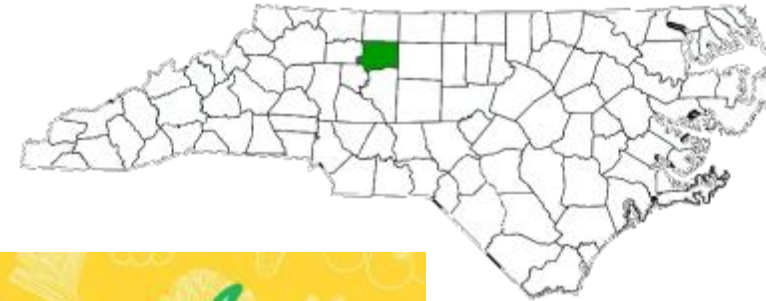


- Established 2010
- 501(c)3 Non-Profit
- Independent of city / county government
- Must raise money for staffing and resources
- 40/hr per month Executive Director

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Forsyth Community Food System Consortium

- Established 2013
- Started off as a monthly brown bag lunch meeting
- Advisory group is developing a network to implement actions identified in assessment
- Supported by community foundation



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Western NC Food Policy Council

- Established 2011
- Low population density needs regional council
- Patterned on existing regional collaborations
- Incubated at WCU, now volunteer-supported



Some councils are an informal collaboration between community and government.



Upper PeeDee Farm and Food Council

- Established 2012
- Desired outcomes identified internally
- Community members engage elected officials
- Initiated by community and local government
- Present annual report to to each county commission

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Chatham Food Council



Raleigh Wake Food Policy Council



- Established 2014
- Formed by community-government task force
- MOUs to outline city/county support
- Both local government and community groups serve as fiscal sponsors and provide support
- Charter & resolution outlining partnership