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Feeding the Hungry and Reducing Solid Waste Through Food Recovery



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## **Foreword**

restaurant chain donates food to local food rescue organizations that are part of a national network that handles prepared and perishable food...

A food processing company donates extra packaged products to a national network of food banks or to a local food bank.

A state Office of Waste Reduction helps divert more than 21,000 tons of excess food from state landfills by assisting four local food recovery programs through a food waste reduction grant program.

Whether you call it feeding the hungry or food recovery, such efforts are all part of a growing national movement that is working daily to ensure good food goes to the dinner table instead of going to waste.

In the United States, we not only produce an abundance of food, we waste an enormous amount of it. More than one quarter of America's food, or about 96 billion pounds of food a year, goes to waste—in fields, commercial kitchens, manufacturing plants, markets, schools, and restaurants. While not all of this excess food is edible, much of it is and could be going to those who need it.

Food waste is not only unfortunate in terms of the lost opportunity to feed hungry Americans but also in terms of the negative effects on our environment. The nation spends an estimated \$1 billion a year to dispose of excess food. That is a waste of both food and money, however not all food is appropriate for human consumption. Livestock farmers use some excess as animal feed. Renderers and other businesses recycle many forms of excess food into other products. Food scraps can be composted to create a valuable fertilizer.

A food waste reduction hierarchy—feeding people first, then animals, then recycling, then composting—serves to show how productive use can be made of much of the excess food that is currently contributing to leachate and methane formation in landfills.

This guide helps explain how any state or municipality, as well as any private business that deals with food, can reduce its solid waste by facilitating the donation of wholesome surplus food according to the food hierarchy.

This guide is about what YOU can do. It lists ways you can join the growing food recovery movement. In short, it provides a framework to help you protect the environment while making a difference in the daily lives and futures of hungry families across our Nation.

Carol Browner, Administrator
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## Purpose of this Guide

he main purpose of this guide is to help interested states and municipalities, as well as interested businesses that deal with food, reduce their solid waste by facilitating the donation of wholesome surplus food to philanthropic feeding organizations. Three important goals can be achieved at the same time: feeding hungry people, saving disposal costs, and protecting the environment.

The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) has found that more than one-quarter of all the food produced for human consumption in America is currently discarded. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has found that discarded food is either the largest or next single largest component (depending on classification) of America's solid waste. The issue of how to reduce such waste is critical.

While this guide emphasizes processes in which excess food is recovered to feed hungry people, in a later chapter it will detail a "food recovery hierarchy" that shows how surplus food can be utilized at several levels.

This guide references several previously published materials on three prime ways of handling excess food in an environmentally sound manner: feeding food to livestock or zoo animals, recycling food for industrial purposes, and composting food. Because significant written material on those alternatives already exists, this guide primarily focuses on the top priority in the hierarchy: providing excess food to hungry Americans. It is designed to be a resource guide for how businesses and state and local solid waste management programs can incorporate food recovery programs into their overall waste reduction strategies. The guide describes some of the prominent food recovery activities already taking place and suggests how a business, a state, or a municipality can support existing programs or begin new ones. It also outlines key considerations relating to legal issues and food safety.

# Chapter 1 Overview: The Food Recovery and Waste Reduction Hierarchy

hile this guide focuses on processes in which excess food is recovered to feed the hungry, food donation is only one option to effectively recover food and reduce waste. Excess food can be recovered and put to beneficial use in a variety of ways. The following "food recovery hierarchy" shows preferred methods of reducing excess food and food waste.

- Recovering food to feed hungry people
- Providing food to livestock farmers or zoos
- Recycling food for industrial purposes
- Composting food to improve soil fertility

## **Recovering Food to Feed Hungry People**

While not all excess food is edible for humans, much of it is if recovered properly. As explained throughout the remainder of this guide, non-perishable food and wholesome, unspoiled, perishable food can be donated to local food banks, soup kitchens, and shelters. Local and national food recovery programs frequently offer free pick-up and provide reusable containers to donors.

To encourage food donations, Congress passed and the President signed into law the "Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act" that protects businesses, organizations, and individuals that donate food in good faith from legal liability that might arise from their donations. In addition, all 50 States and the District of Columbia have "Good Samaritan" laws that may provide extra protection to donors in addition to the federal protection.

As this guide explains, it is usually easy for foodrelated businesses to donate extra food and for states and municipalities to formally build food donations into their waste reduction and prevention plans.

# **Providing Food to Livestock Farmers or Zoos**

Converting excess human food into animal feed is not a new idea. In many areas hog farmers have traditionally relied on food discards to help sustain their livestock. In addition, farmers may provide storage containers and free or low-cost pick-up

service. Coffee grounds and foods with high salt content are not usually accepted, since they may harm livestock.

Appropriate excess food may also be provided to zoos for use as feed for select animals, based upon the determination of each zoo's animal feeding experts.

If the surplus food provided to animals contains no meat or animal materials, federal laws or regulations do not apply, although there may be state laws that regulate such feeding.

However, in cases where food contains meat or animal materials, or food that has come into contact with meat or animal products, converting food into feed for hogs is regulated by the Federal Swine Health Protection Act (PL 96 468).

This Act requires that all such food to be boiled before being fed to hogs and that facilities conducting such boiling be registered with either the USDA or the chief agricultural or animal health official in the state in which the facility is located.

#### **Resources:**

To obtain information on Federal and state laws and regulations regarding food scraps to feed animals, contact: Arnold C. Taft, DVM, Senior Staff Veterinarian, Swine Programs, Animal Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture, 4700 River Road, Unit 37, Riverdale, MD 20737-1231, (301) 734-4916, fax (301) 734-7964

### Other general resources:

State veterinarians throughout the nation can provide information on human food diversion to animal feed.

Proceedings of Food Waste Recycling Symposium: January 22 & 23, 1996; January 22 and 23, 1997: New Jersey Department of Agriculture and Rutgers Cooperative Extension.

## **Recycling Food for Industrial Purposes**

Liquid fats and solid meat products may be used as raw materials in the rendering industry to be converted into animal food, cosmetics, soap, and other products. Many companies will provide reusable containers and free pick-up service as well.

At least one company is using technology to convert food discards into a high-quality, dry, pelletized animal feed. Food discards can also be used to make pet food.

#### **Resources:**

For more information about the EPA Waste Reduction Record-Setters Project, contact the Institute for Local Self-Reliance at 2425 18th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009, (202) 232-4108: fax (202) 332-0463; web site (www.ilsr.org).

### Other general resources:

Local Chambers of Commerce can provide information on area rendering companies. Yellow Pages or Internet headings such as rendering and waste reduction facilities are also good starting points.

# **Composting Food to Improve Soil Fertility**

Composting is an effective way to convert food scraps that cannot be fed to people or animals into an organic-based nutrient source for plants. Composting can be done both on and off-site of where the food scraps are generated. Available land space, haulers, and compost users in your area, and relevant state and local regulations can help you decide which is better for you. If you do your own composting, you will need to consider carbon/nitrogen ratios. Food scraps can provide most of the nitrogen for the composting mixture, while bulking agents such as leaves, waxed cardboard, wood chips, and sawdust provide carbon-based and dry materials. The moisture and nitrogen content of food scraps will determine how much bulking agent should be added. Temperature and aeration are other important factors that will determine how long it takes materials to compost. Composting can take many forms.

**Unaerated Static Pile Composting:** Organic materials are piled and mixed with bulking material. This method is best suited for small operations; it cannot properly accommodate meat or grease.

Aerated Windrow Pile Composting: Organic materials are formed into rows or long piles and aerated either passively or mechanically. This method can accommodate large quantities of organic materials. It cannot accommodate large amounts of meat or grease without frequent turning and careful temperature and moisture control.

**In-vessel Composting:** Composting vessels are enclosed, temperature- and moisture-controlled systems. They come in a variety of sizes and use some type of mechanical mixing or aerating system. In-vessel composting can process larger quantities in a relatively small area more quickly than windrow composting and can accommodate meat or grease.

**Vermicomposting:** Worms (usually red worms) convert organic materials into a high-value compost (worm castings). This method is faster than windrow or invessel composting and produces a high-quality compost. Meat or grease cannot be composted using this method.

### **Composting Success Stories:**

### • Frost Valley YMCA in Claryville, New York —

Using a static aerobic composting system, this 6,000-acre residential facility in the Catskill Mountains composts 100% of the food discards from its kitchen and dining room. From 1990, when Frost Valley began its waste reduction program, to 1997, the facility slashed the weight of its solid waste disposed of by 53%. Through its composting, Frost Valley now realizes a net savings of \$5,200 annually in avoided disposal costs and provides a unique educational opportunity to thousands of visitors per year.

Contact: Associate Executive Director for Programs. Frost Valley YMCA, 200 Frost Valley Road, Claryville, NY 12725, (914) 985-2291, fax (914) 985-0056

### • Del Mar Fairgrounds in Del Mar, California —

This 375-acre site diverted 38 tons, or approximately 75% of its food discards from landfill. The fairgrounds achieved this through a comprehensive waste reduction program which includes: off-site composting of its food scraps from its annual 20-day fair (1996 attendance: 1.018 million); vermi-composting of its food scraps from its Satellite Wagering Facility; and sending used cooking oil to a rendering facility.

Contact: Concession Coordinator, Del Mar fairgrounds, 22nd District Agricultural Association, P.O. Box 2668. Del Mar, CA 92014, (619) 792-4218, fax (619) 792-4236

## • Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont —

Students and employees at the College collected approximately 288 tons of food discards in 1996. This represented approximately 75% of the college's total food discards. As a result of the composting program, Middlebury avoids approximately \$137 per ton in landfill hauling and tipping fees. In 1996, this led to a net cost savings of \$27,000 in avoided disposal costs.

Contact: Environmental Coordinator, Service Building, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT 05753, (802) 443-5043, fax (804) 4435753

# • New York State Department of Corrections Services (DOCS), State-Wide, New York —

In 1997, 47 of 70 correctional facilities in the DOCS composted at 30 sites, which accept from one-half to four tons of food discards per day. Participating facilities recover over 90% of their food and other organic discards. Through composting, DOCS facilities realize a net savings of \$564,200 per year in avoided disposal costs.

Contact: Resource Management Director, NY State Department of Correctional services, Eastern Correctional Facility, 601 Berme Road, Napanoch, NY 12458, (914) 647-1653

#### **Resources:**

For more information about the EPA Waste Reduction Record-Setters Project, contact the Institute for Local Self-Reliance at 2425 18th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20009, (202) 232-4108, fax (202) 332-0463, web site (www.ilsr.org).

BioCycle: Journal of Composting and Recycling, published by JG Press, Inc., phone (610) 967-4135; particularly see "Analyzing the Costs of Composting Strategies," Ligon, Garland, November 1998.

Organic Materials Management Strategies: US EPA, May 1998.

Compost: Because a Rind is a Terrible Thing to Waste, by Jean Bonhotal and Karen Rollo. Available from Cornell University Media Service Resource Center, 7 Business & Technology Park, Ithaca, NY 14850, (607) 255-2080, fax (607) 255-9946, e-mail: Dist\_Center@cce.cornell.edu

A Guide to Commercial Food Composting, by Composting Council, 4424 Montgomery Ave., #102, Bethesda, MD 20814, (301) 913-2885

## Other general resources:

State composting councils and environmental or agricultural agencies can also provide information on composting.

Contact: Association of State and Territorial Solid Waste Management Officials, (202) 624-5828.

Yellow Pages or Internet headings such as composting are also good starting points.

EPA Web site: www.epa.gov/compost

# Chapter 2 The Importance of Feeding the Hungry

## **Reducing Hunger in America**

Despite the bounty of our agricultural production in the United States, one of our most complex and serious health problems is hunger. Eliminating hunger is a moral issue driven by compassion for others as well as a practical issue involving the long-term future of millions of our Nation's children.

Chronic hunger and malnutrition take a heavy toll on children's lives. Days missed from school, inattention in class, stunted growth, and frequent illness jeopardize their education and their futures as productive citizens. Hunger is also an economic problem, increasing government and family spending on health care, reducing the productivity of America's workforce and hampering the ability of the United States to compete in the world economy.

In 1998, about 36 million Americans--including 14 million children--lived in households that suffered either from hunger or food insecurity. About 10 million of these individuals--of whom 3.4 million were children--lived in households that suffered directly from hunger, in which family members sometimes went without food because they could not afford to obtain it. (*Household Food Insecurity in the United States*, 1995-1998, USDA Food and Nutrition Service and Economic Research Service, 1999.)

In addition, a study by Second Harvest, the national food bank network, indicates that an estimated 21 million Americans depend upon charitable food donations to prevent their families from going hungry, yet food banks' emergency feeding programs frequently run out of food before they can serve all the families in need of assistance. (Hunger 1997: The Faces & Facts, Second Harvest)

Philanthropic organizations that serve hungry Americans desperately need additional sources of food.

# Food Recovery to Feed the Hungry Is a Win-Win' Solution

While not all excess food is edible, wholesome, or appropriate for human consumption, much of it is. If merely 5% of food discards were recovered, 4 million additional Americans could be fed each day. That is why a growing national movement is under way to recover excess wholesome food and distribute it to hungry Americans.

Unserved and/or unsold food can go toward feeding hungry children, seniors, and families instead of being thrown away in landfills. More and more companies are partnering with food programs, shelters, and human service agencies to put this wholesome food where it belongs — in the mouths of needy people. State and municipal source reduction and recycling program managers are increasingly incorporating food recovery programs into their overall waste reduction strategies.

Food recovery programs can offer numerous benefits to businesses and communities. They can:

- Save businesses money otherwise spent on trash collection and disposal fees
- Provide wholesome food to needy families in the community
- Help communities and businesses meet state and local waste reduction goals
- Create an improved public image for businesses
- Help sustain local industries and jobs

For food producers, processors, and corporations with food service operations, donating surplus food to the needy can be an excellent way to make use of wholesome excess food. A growing number of businesses have begun to donate their excess food as part of their overall waste reduction strategy.

Beyond the environmental and cost savings benefits of donating food, these businesses also have the satisfaction of knowing they have helped feed someone who otherwise might have gone hungry.



# Chapter 3 Protecting the Environment and Saving Money

ach year about 27% of America's food gets thrown out, with more than 300 pounds of food per person ending up in the waste stream. The disposal costs of such food exceeds one billion dollars in local tax funds annually. The tipping fees and disposal costs that corporations pay to dispose of excess food also adds to the overall amount of money spent by American society to dispose of such food. The annual value of this excess food is estimated at around \$31 billion. (Kantor et al, 1997, Estimating and Addressing America's Food Losses, USDA Economic Research Service)

Chart 1 below indicates that food material is the largest single component group in the country's solid waste stream. (Under an alternative method of setting catego-

## Top Discards of Municipal Solid Waste Arranged in Descending Order by Weight (1996)

Type of Material	Weight in thousands of tons
Food	21,380
Yard trimmings	17,200
Miscellaneous durables	11,270
Corrugated boxes	9,680
Furniture and furnishings	7,320
Wood packaging	5,990
other commercial printing	5,750
Newspapers	5,640
Clothing and footwear	4,640
Paper folding cartons	4,410
Other nonpackaging paper	4,070
Third class mail	3,840
Glass beer & soft drink bottle	es 3,530

(Source: US EPA, Characterization of Municipal Solid Waste in the United States, 1997 Update, Tables 4 and B-7)

ries, food is the second largest component, after paper.) Moreover, as indicated in Chart 2, food is currently the type of material least likely to be recovered. Thus, whether food is the largest or second largest single category in the waste stream, there is vast potential to dramatically increase the amount of excess food to be recovered.

# Percentage of Material Generated That Is Recycled Or Recovered Out of the Municipal Solid Waste Stream (1996)

Type of Material	Percentage Recovered
	or Recycled
Paper and paperboard	40.8
Metals	39.6
Yard trimmings	38.6
Glass	25.7
Textiles	12.3
Rubber and leather	9.5
Plastics	5.6
Wood	4.5
Food	2.4

(Source: US EPA, Characterization of Municipal Solid Waste in the United States, 1997 Update)



# Chapter 4 Case Studies of Comprehensive Food Recovery Efforts

### Fletcher Allen Health Care, Burlington, Vermont

As part of a total solid waste reduction program, Fletcher Allen Health Care recovers approximately 90% of its pre-consumer food discards. This total was 84 tons in 1996. Hospital kitchen staff prepares 4,000 meals a day for cafeteria and patient meals at the 585-bed facility. The hospital housekeeping staff's waste team collects food discards Monday through Friday and takes them to a farm where they are composted. In turn, the hospital receives organic produce at wholesale prices from the farm. A rendering company picks up used kitchen grease. Fletcher Allen also donates edible fruit and vegetables to a local food bank.

Contact: Environmental Health Coordinator, Office of Community Health Improvement, Fletcher Allen Health Care, UHC Campus, Arnold 4410, Burlington, VT 05401, (802) 656-2399, fax (802) 656-5985, e-mail: hshaner@aol.com

#### Larry's Markets, Seattle, Washington

In 1991, as part of an overall plan to run environmentally responsible stores, Larry's Markets instituted a composting program. In 1996, Larry's Markets five stores recovered 100 tons--more than 90%--of their food discards. The stores collect for composting preconsumer scraps from the in-store cafes and juice bars, wilted and spoiled produce, old flowers and greens from the floral department, and waxed cardboard. Employees in each department collect and bring compostables outside to a 1-1/2 cubic yard container where a local hauler then picks up and delivers these materials to a topsoil company for composting. Larry's Markets uses topsoil produced from this process in its landscaping. Each store also provides food donations to a church or food bank that picks up non-perishable foods approximately once per week. Recycling is now part of every employee's job description.

Contact: Director, Environmental Affairs, Planning, and Information Services, Larry's Markets, 699 120th Street, NE, Bellevue, WA 98005, (206) 453-5031, fax (206) 453-5031, ext. 403.

## Produce Recycling Program, San Francisco, California

From June 1996 through May 1997, the San Francisco Produce Recycling Program (SFPRP) composted and donated 1,130 tons of food. Thirty-nine businesses participate in the SFPRP, which is a collaborative effort among agencies and companies in and around San Francisco. The program is sponsored by the San Francisco Food Bank as an addition to its many efforts focused on collecting non-perishable canned and boxed food. The SRPRP program recovers both edible and non-edible produce discards from the San Francisco Produce Terminal and from area supermarkets.

The San Francisco Food Bank collects an average of 60 tons of produce a month from 25 wholesalers at the San Francisco Produce Terminal and from other city wholesalers. The Food Bank then distributes over 37 tons a month of edible produce to member service agencies who provide the food to hungry people in the Bay Area. This effort was facilitated by a \$97,000 grant from the City and County of San Francisco which provided the Food Bank with a refrigerated truck for produce collection and a partial year's salary for a full-time driver.

A local dairy and heifer farmer collects any nonedible produce, which he uses as feed or sells to other farmers as feed. Since August 1996, non-edible produce not collected by the Food Bank has been composted at a nearby composting facility.

Benefits of the program are manifold. Food service agencies save money through reduced food purchases for produce; the produce also boosts the nutritional value of meals served. Farmers save money on feed costs.

The Richmond Composting Facility produces higher quality compost through this program. Produce businesses save money through lower trash collection costs as well as through tax deductions for their donations to the Food Bank.

Contact: Organics Recycling Coordinator, Solid Waste Management Program, 1145 Market Street, Suite 410, San Francisco, CA 94121, (415) 554-3423, fax (415) 554-3434

## Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Solid waste disposal costs at the Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel have decreased by 30% since it began collecting organics for animal feed. The hotel began this program in response to a 1995 city mandate to reduce waste. Also, cooks collect food preparation scraps and all other excess food except grease and coffee grounds in 30 gallon bins located next to the food preparation areas. When full, the bins are brought to the loading dock where a pig farmer picks them up every other day. The hotel also donates leftover prepared meals to Philabundance, a food rescue organization that distributes food to area homeless shelters.

Contact: David Ebner, Housekeeping, Wyndham Franklin Plaza Hotel, 17th & Race Streets, Philadelphia. PA 19103, (215) 448-2000, fax (215) 448-2730

# Chapter 5 Partnering with Food Recovery Organizations that Feed the Hungry

## Types of Food Recovery Aided by Organizations

There are several types of food recovery programs providing food to the needy. Currently, more than 21 million Americans depend on these nonprofit food distribution organizations for a significant part of their nutritional needs. In the United States it is estimated that there are tens of thousands of private programs helping to feed the hungry. Virtually all of these programs use some form of recovered food to some degree. While their strategies and emphases may differ, they all operate under two common assumptions:

- from fields to markets to tables, the nation wastes an abundance of edible food, and
- much of this food can be collected and redirected to feed the hungry. Each program is distinct in terms of its size, organization, management, and clientele. Some programs are run by a handful of dedicated volunteers in a barely serviceable facility. Other programs are larger organizations with paid staff and state-of-the-art facilities.

There are basically four different kinds of food recovery, each of which is aided by a national organization. While there is an increasing amount of overlap between efforts in the four areas, they can generally be broken down as follows:

- Field Gleaning The collection of crops from farmers' fields that have already been mechanically harvested or where it is not economically or logistically feasible to field harvest. It can also include the collection of already harvested food at packing sheds. A leading national field gleaner is the Society of St. Andrew.
- Wholesale Produce Salvage The collection of fresh fruits and vegetables at local or regional wholesale produce markets. A leading national group providing assistance to such efforts is the Society of St. Andrew.
- Perishable and Prepared Food Rescue The collection of prepared food (from food service entities such as restaurants, cafeterias, hospitals, airlines, caterers, and special events). A leading national group promoting such efforts is Foodchain—The National Food-Rescue Network.
- Non-Perishable Food Donations, Collection, and Recovery. These efforts focus mostly on the collection of processed foods with relatively long shelf lives. Second Harvest, the national food bank network, is the leading national group aiding such efforts.

In addition, there are numerous local groups that successfully engage in all or some of the efforts listed above but are not affiliated with any national organization.

In most areas of the country, there are existing food recovery programs which offer the following services described below. Check with your local program. (A state-by-state list is provided in Appendix D.)

Each program is distinct in terms of its size, organization, management, and clientele. Some programs are run by a handful of dedicated volunteers in a barely serviceable facility. Other programs are larger organizations with paid staff and state-of-the-art facilities.

# **Services Provided by Food Recovery and Gleaning Organizations**

Most food recovery and gleaning organizations offer the following services:

- Free pick-up. Most food programs have a pick-up schedule, which takes into account the donor's schedule and pick-up preferences. Food programs generally will pick up food on a daily, weekly, or on-call basis.
- Trained food handlers. Employees and volunteers working for food programs are trained in sanitation, food inspection and sorting, and food handling by the local health department and will come equipped to inspect food for safe transport to the receiving agency.
- Publicity. Many food service programs will publicize participation by their donors to acknowledge their support. Some food donation organizations provide donors with a sticker, certificate, or other material to help alert customers to the company's participation. Others seek media coverage to help recognize their donors.

# The Major National Food Recovery and Gleaning Organizations

### Nonperishable, Processed Food Collection: The Second Harvest Food Bank Network

In 1965, a businessman named John Van Hengel volunteered to feed homeless people at St. Mary's mission in Phoenix, Arizona. Through his volunteer work, Van Hengel soon found ways to recover more food than the mission could use or store, so he shared the surpluses with other local charities which fed the poor and the needy. In 1967, Van Hengel founded St. Mary's Food Bank, a central source for food donations and distribution to local charities feeding the hungry. In 1979, Second Harvest, the national network of food banks, was founded by Van Hengel.

Today, Second Harvest is the Nation's largest domestic hunger relief charity. The Second Harvest network is comprised of 188 affiliate food bank members providing more than 1 billion pounds of food and grocery products to 45,000 local charitable agencies. Food donations to Second Harvest come from more than 500 national donors, and from farmers, local food drives, and the federal government. Second Harvest food banks

provide assistance in all 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, and serve nearly every U.S. county. Each affiliate food bank is local community-supported and volunteer-based; in 1997, nearly one million volunteers provided assistance. The Second Harvest network provided food to approximately 26 million low-income Americans in 1997, including 21 million people at soup kitchens, food pantries, and other emergency feeding sites. In 1997, the Second Harvest network distributed 860 million pounds of donated food and grocery products, with a market value of well over \$1 billion.

# Perishable Produce Rescue or Salvage: From the Wholesaler to the Hungry

In 1987, Mickey Weiss, a retired produce wholesaler, was visiting his son at the Los Angeles Wholesale Market. He watched as a forklift hoisted 200 flats of ripe, red raspberries, raspberries that had not sold that day, and crushed them into a dumpster.

Weiss' retirement didn't last long. Working out of donated office space at the market, he enlisted student volunteers to call community kitchens, while he persuaded friends in the produce business to "put good food to good use." To make his dream a reality, he formed a team that included the Los Angeles Wholesale Produce Market and the Los Angeles County Department of Agriculture. Today, Mickey Weiss' Charitable Distribution Facility distributes more than 2 million pounds of produce a month to emergency feeding programs throughout Southern California.

In 1991, Susan Evans and Peter Clarke joined forces with Weiss. Wanting to replicate his concept nationwide, they designed a systematic consultation process to help cities begin their own fresh produce operations.

The project, From the Wholesaler to the Hungry (WH), continues to help cities establish programs to channel large donations of fresh fruits and vegetables to community agencies. Adding fresh fruits and vegetables to the diets of low-income Americans improves their nutrition and their health, and helps prevent disease. Appendix B lists contacts for WH recovery and distribution programs.

National Contact: Peter Clarke and Susan Evans, From the Wholesaler to the Hungry, Institute for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention, University of Southern California School of Medicine, 1549 Alcazar Street, CHP 208, Los Angeles, CA 90033, (323) 442-2613, fax (323) 395-4078

### Perishable and Prepared Food-Rescue: Foodchain — The National Food-Rescue Network

Food rescue programs collect surplus prepared and perishable food from restaurants, corporate cafeterias, caterers, grocery stores, and other foodservice establishments. This food is distributed to social service agencies that help people in need.

By the late 1980s, pioneers of food rescue programs began to see themselves as members of a nationwide community of local programs working toward the same end and experiencing similar challenges and difficulties. Programs from all over the United States recognized the value of forming a national network and establishing a central resource center. The network's goals were to actively promote the work of individual food-rescue programs and to support their continued growth and development, without disturbing the original programs' diversity and grassroots nature. The combination of these efforts is now called Foodchain. A network of prepared and perishable food rescue programs, Foodchain opened its doors in November 1992 with a staff of one.

Today, Foodchain includes 140 member programs in 41 States and the District of Columbia. Membership requires organizations to comply with the network's food safety and donation guidelines. In 1997, Foodchain programs distributed more than 150 million pounds of food to 12,000 agencies. The organization provides technical assistance and marketing support, and matches donors to member programs.

Generally, member programs operate in one of three ways:

- Facilitating foodservice operations directly donating food to nonprofit groups
- Physically picking up and distributing food to feeding sites
- Picking up and re-processing food centrally before redistributing it

Foodchain is also playing a leading national role in expanding its "Community Kitchens" Initiative T14,

which trains the unemployed in professional kitchen skills while they re-prepare donated food into balanced meals.

Locations of these Foodchain programs are listed in Appendix B.

National Contact: Foodchain, 912 Baltimore, Suite 300, Kansas City, MO 64105, (800) 845-3008, fax (816) 842-5145

### Field Gleaning: Society of St. Andrew

The Society of St. Andrew is a nonprofit organization dedicated to ending hunger by using surplus produce to feed the needy. This produce is given to food banks, soup kitchens, and food pantries free of charge.

The Society of St. Andrew, which is the nation's leading field gleaning organization, rescues over 20 million pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables yearly which would normally be discarded. The produce is taken as a charitable donation at growers' packing and grading sheds or gleaned directly from farmers' fields. Produce is delivered to food banks, soup kitchens, and food pantries free of charge through the national Potato Project program and local Gleaning Networks. Since 1979, the Society has gleaned 200 million pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables that were then distributed to feeding agencies throughout the United States. The Society has offices in Virginia, North Carolina, Mississippi, Texas, and Florida. (See Appendix B.)

National contact: Society of St. Andrew, 3383 Sweet Hollow Road, Big Island, VA 24526, (800) 333-4597

### Technical Assistance on Leadership and Transportation Issues: Congressional Hunger Center

The Congressional Hunger Center fights hunger and boosts food recovery and gleaning by developing leaders and by sponsoring national and community service programs that bolster both local grassroots efforts and national policy-making. The Center also provides technical assistance on transportation issues related to food recovery and gleaning.

Contact: Congressional Hunger Center, 229 1/2 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20003, (202) 547-7022, fax (202) 547-7575

## Hotline and Database for Food Recovery and Anti-Hunger Information: World Hunger Year - National Hunger Clearinghouse

The National Hunger Clearinghouse is a program of World Hunger Year under contract with USDA. They operate the gleaning and food rescue hotline "1-800-GLEAN-IT." The database contains information on gleaning and food recovery groups as well as organizations covering many other facets of the anti-hunger and anti-poverty fields: hunger, nutrition, agriculture, food security, sustainable agriculture, community development, microcredit, and job training. World Hunger Year works closely with USDA on highlighting and replicating "model programs" that focus on self-reliance. The Clearinghouse encourages donations and volunteering by making referrals to organizations through the United States.

Contact: The National Hunger Clearinghouse - World Hunger Year, 505 Eighth Avenue, 21st Floor, New York, NY 100 18-6582, 1-800-GLEAN-IT, (212) 629-8850, ext. 151, fax (212) 465-9274,

Email: NHCatWHY@aol-com

## The National Student Food Salvage Program: The National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness

With the help of a grant from USDA, the National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness assists interested students and university employees in developing campus food salvage programs with a step-by-step manual, regular phone consultations, on-site trainings, and other resources.

Contact: National Student Campaign Against Hunger and Homelessness, 11965 Venice Blvd, Suite 408, Los Angeles, CA 90066, (800) 664-8647, Email: nsah@aol.com; Web: www.pirg.org

### **Hunters for the Hungry**

Most States have programs aimed at facilitating the donation of game to feed the hungry. Called various names throughout the country, including Hunters for the Hungry, Sportsmen Against Hunger, and Sharing the Harvest, the goal, and the way the groups reach it, is basically the same. First, hunters harvest their game. Second, through cooperative efforts with members of the hunting community, meat processors, food banks, sportsmen's associations, religious groups, and charities, they donate game to feed people in need. For information on programs in your area, or for information on how to start a program in your area, contact Hunter Services at (800) 492-HUNT.

# Chapter 6 Assistance Provided by the Federal Government

n November of 1996, President Clinton signed an executive memorandum directing all federal agencies to do everything in their power to boost food donations. A number of agencies, led by the Department of Agriculture, have already made great progress in assisting grassroots efforts.

## **United States Department of Agriculture**

USDA has made food recovery and gleaning a top priority. The Department is not seeking to create a new federal bureaucracy but rather to encourage, energize, and provide technical assistance to existing and new private, nonprofit, and corporate food recovery and gleaning efforts. The Department has:

- —Co-sponsored, along with national nonprofit groups, the first-ever National Summit on Food Recovery and Gleaning. This conference jointly set a national goal of increasing the amount of food recovered and gleaned by 33 percent by the year 2000 (over the current base-line of 1.5 billion pounds), which would produce an additional 500 million pounds of food a year--enough to provide about 450,000 people with the equivalent of three additional meals a day.
- —Given limited grants to provide seed money to help non-profit food recovery and gleaning groups expand their food security infrastructure. A key source of these funds has been the Community Food Projects program.
- —Helped various types of foodservice and agricultural operations--including those run by the Department of Defense, member restaurants of the National Restaurant Association, and USDA's own cafeterias and research facilities--to ensure that, whenever possible, excess food is donated, not disposed of.

- —Sponsored a one-time "Summer of Gleaning" program in which 88 members of the AmeriCorps National Service program facilitated the recovery of 1,005 tons of excess food, enough food to provide the equivalent of 1.34 million meals.
- —Provided guidance to State agencies that administer the Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP) on how they can use TEFAP administrative funds to support the processing, transportation, and packaging of foods donated through food recovery and gleaning projects.
- —Awarded 12 school districts funds to develop "best practices" to increase the donations of excess food from school meals and to develop innovative ways to engage students in fighting hunger through community service.
- —Helped The Chef and Child Foundation of the American Culinary Federation to create a training program on food safety for gleaned foods.
- —Worked with World Hunger Year to establish "1-800-GLEAN-IT," a toll-free hotline to provide an easy-to-reach source of information on how to become a volunteer, donate food, or get involved in a local gleaning or food recovery and gleaning program.
- —Sponsored or facilitated field gleaning projects in 29 States; these projects collected and distributed over 2 million pounds of fresh produce.

There are four basic ways to obtain technical assistance and other help from USDA:

### 1. National Hunger Clearinghouse: World Hunger

**Year -** The National Hunger Clearinghouse is a program of World Hunger Year under contract with USDA. Its major emphases are gleaning and food recovery and answering the USDA Food Recovery Hotline:"1-800-GLEAN-IT"; however, the mission is much broader,

providing information about numerous efforts to fight hunger across America. Included is information on hunger, nutrition, food security, sustainable agriculture, model anti-poverty programs promoting self-reliance, and volunteer opportunities. The Clearinghouse database already has thousands of organizations listed, from soup kitchens to restaurants.

Contact: the National Hunger Clearinghouse, World Hunger Year, 505 Eight Avenue, 21st Floor, New York, NY 10018, 1-800-GLEAN-IT, or (212) 629-8850, ext. 151, fax (212) 496-9274, Email: NHCatWHY@aol.com

**2.** The USDA Farm Service Agency - Each state office of the Farm Service Agency has appointed one staff member to coordinate field gleaning activities statewide and to help food recovery and gleaning groups connect with farmers, ranchers, and orchard owners.

Contact the State coordinators listed in Appendix B or the national coordinator: Sue Rourk King, 816-926-6189, fax (816) 926-6189.

- **3.** Cooperative Extension Service (CES) This system is composed of USDA- affiliated programs at the land-grant universities in each State. CES helps diverse agencies and community-based groups work together to establish local hunger programs, promote food safety and proper nutrition, and aid food recovery and gleaning programs. State offices with particular expertise in food recovery and gleaning are listed in Appendix B.
- **4. USDA Community Food Security Initiative** This initiative provides Federal support to grassroots community food security efforts, including food recovery and gleaning activities. This initiative can provide information on all resources of the federal government, including USDA, that can be used for food recovery and gleaning activities.

Contact: Joel Berg, 202-720-5746 or joel.berg@usda.gov.

# Joint Project of Departments of Agriculture and Transportation

USDA and the Department of Transportation signed a Memorandum of Understanding and a Cooperative Agreement that awarded funds to a consortium of key nonprofit groups -- including the Congressional Hunger Center, Food Chain, Gifts-in-Kind-International, Second Harvest, and the Society of St. Andrew -- to implement the project to increase the free and reduced-cost transportation available to move donated foods.

Contact: Congressional Hunger Center, 229 1/2 Pennsylvania Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20003, (202) 547-7022, fax (202) 547-7575.

### **Corporation for National Service**

The Corporation for National Service supports a range of national and community service programs which provide opportunities for participants of all ages to serve full-time and part-time. The three main programs funded by the Corporation are AmeriCorps, Learn & Serve America, and the National Senior Service Corps. Service participants in these programs can provide service directly and/or recruit additional community volunteers for gleaning and food recovery initiatives.

Contact: The Corporation for National Service, 1201 New York Avenue, Washington, DC 20525, (202) 606-5000, or the relevant state commission on national service.

### **Environmental Protection Agency**

Waste Wise is an EPA voluntary partnership program through which businesses, governments, and institutions reduce waste, benefitting their bottom lines and the environment. Partners set their own goals and report their acomplishments in three areas: waste prevention (e.g., food recovery), recycling, and buying/manufacturing recycled products. Currently, more than 830 partners receive technical assistance and recognition for their municipal solid waste reduction efforts. Over 60 endorser organizations promote the program to their members. The WasteWise Program, started in 1994, is

an initiative of the President's Climate Change Action Plan because waste reduction activities can help reduce the harmful effects of global warming.

Contact: WasteWise, U.S. EPA, (5306W), 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460, (800) EPA Wise (372-9473), www.epa.gov/wastewise

#### **Department of Defense**

Virtually all food-related facilities run by the Department of Defense—including food depots, commissaries, and mess halls—have various legal authorities to donate surplus food to feed the hungry. Commissary food may be obtained through partnerships with local boards sponsored by The Emergency Food and Shelter Program of the Federal Emergency Management Agency. Depot food may be distributed through the normal commodity distribution channels of USDA through state commodity agencies. For more information contact the USDA Community Food Security Initiative listed on page 16.

### **Department of Labor**

The Department of Labor provides public and private organizations with the ability to compete for competitive grants for job training programs that help; hard-to-employ welfare recipients, recipients who have exhausted their benefits, and certain non-custodial parents. "Community Kitchens" that train unemployed individuals for jobs in the foodservice industry, as well as other food recovery-related job training programs, may be eligible to compete for such grants.

Contact: the Department of Labor Welfare-to-Work Internet website: www.doleta.gov

### **Other Federal Agencies**

The Department of Education can provide information on how students participating in the Federal Work-Study program can receive student aid for working in community service placements at food banks or other nonprofit food recovery and gleaning organizations.

The General Services Administration can provide assistance to nonprofit food recovery organizations attempting to obtain surplus federal property, including vehicles and heating and refrigeration equipment.



# Chapter 7 How You Can Help Recover Food to Feed the Hungry

n today's world, where so many people wake up in poverty and go to sleep hungry while so much food goes to waste, each of us can ask: "How can I help?"

To get involved or to start implementing any of the ideas suggested below, organizations may contact the "1-800-GLEAN-IT" toll-free hotline or any of the local organizations listed in Appendix B.

# **How Businesses and Corporations Can Help**

Many businesses and corporations have already joined the fight against hunger. Corporations such as the Associated Food Dealers of Michigan, American Express, Boston Market, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Kraft Foods, Inc., Marriott International, Northwest Airlines, and Pizza Hut have formed coalitions with community-based food recovery programs to help their neighbors in need.

But the businesses do not have to be national ones. Nor do they have to be food-related. Food recovery programs need volunteers, office equipment, transportation, computer help, and organizational talent.

Participation in food recovery benefits the company, its customers, its employees, and its community. It increases the business' visibility, and the workplace volunteer spirit spills over into the larger society to help build a more cohesive local community.

To help in the fight against hunger and demonstrate commitment to the community, businesses and corporations can start or join a food recovery program, or:

- Encourage, recognize, and reward employees and other individuals for volunteer service to the community.
- Increase employee awareness of local hunger and provide training to make employees more useful volunteers.

- Sponsor radio and television air time for community organizations that address hunger.
- Donate excess prepared and processed food from the employee cafeteria or from special events to local food recovery programs.
- Donate transportation, maintenance work, or computer service.
- Prepare legal information on donor considerations such as "Good Samaritan" laws and food safety and quality.

# How State and Municipal Recycling Officials Can Help

State and municipal recycling agencies are also becoming more and more involved in promoting food recovery programs. North Carolina and Indiana have established food recovery grant programs which divert thousands of tons of excess food from landfills each year.

To get involved in promoting food recovery, recycling officials can:

- Provide information on: local food discard end-users and haulers; local businesses/institutions recovering food; and legislation and regulations regarding food recovery
- Designate a staff person to encourage food recovery and organics diversion in the area
- Sponsor tours or demonstrations of successful programs
- Consider initiating a food recovery grant program
- Fund a pilot program
- Develop a local composting facility
- Work with local haulers and composters to provide pick-up service for food discards; it is possible to include food discard pick-ups along with regular pick-up. Lead by example: institute a food recovery program in your office.

• Create pamphlets or other publicity materials to promote the benefits of donating food.

One example of state leadership in this area is the North Carolina Office of Waste Reduction, a non-regulatory state agency, which is conducting a special Food Waste Reduction Grant program targeting agencies that divert prepared and perishable food from disposal facilities in North Carolina. The maximum allowable grant per applicant is \$10,000. A total of \$30,000 is available. Beth Graves, waste management analyst, is aware of the huge role food recovery programs play in

waste reduction. She estimates that the grantees' food recovery programs divert about 2,000 tons of food each year from North Carolina landfills. North Carolina has set a goal of reducing the amount of excess food landfilled by 40% by the year 2001. Graves' office is also targeting selected restaurants in North Carolina, with the purpose of helping them more efficiently manage their excess food. In doing so, her office informs these establishments about the role food recovery programs can play.

# Chapter 8 Liability Issues for Food Recovery Efforts that Feed the Hungry

# The Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act

When citizens volunteer their time and resources to help feed hungry people, they are rightfully concerned that they are putting themselves at legal risk. Fortunately, recent legislation provides uniform national protection to citizens, businesses, and nonprofit organizations that act in good faith to donate, recover, and distribute excess food.

The Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act converts Title IV of the National and Community Service Act of 1990, known as the Model Good Samaritan food Donation Act, into permanent law, within the Child Nutrition Act of 1966. Congress passed the legislation in late September 1996 and President Clinton signed the bill into law on October 1, 1996. The Act is designed to encourage the donation of food and grocery products to nonprofit organizations such as homeless shelters, soup kitchens, and churches for distribution to needy individuals. (The full text of the Act as well as the portions of the National and Community Service Act that it amends are presented in Appendix E.)

The Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act promotes food recovery and gleaning by limiting the liability of donors to instances of gross negligence or intentional misconduct. The Act further states that, absent gross negligence or intentional misconduct, volunteers, nonprofit organizations, and businesses shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability arising from the nature,

age, packaging, or condition of apparently wholesome food or apparently fit grocery products received as donations.

It also establishes basic nationwide uniform definitions pertaining to donation and distribution of nutritious foods and helps assure that donated foods meet all quality and labeling standards of federal, state, and local laws and regulations. The Act also protects farmers who allow gleaners on their land.

Although the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act takes precedence over the various state forms of Good Samaritan statutes, it may not entirely replace such statutes. As a federal statute, The Emerson Act creates a uniform minimum level of protection from liability for donors and gleaners nationwide. But state Good Samaritan statutes still may provide protection for donors and gleaners above and beyond that guaranteed in the federal statute. Therefore, local organizations should be familiar with such state statutes. (See Appendix F for a listing of citations for state statutes. Further details may also be obtained by contacting the office of the attorney general for the appropriate state.) In addition, the Emerson Act does not alter or interfere with state or local health regulations or workers' compensation laws. Local organizations in each state should also be familiar with the impact upon food recovery and gleaning projects of state or local health regulations and workers' compensation laws, critical consideration in all food recovery and gleaning projects is maintaining the safety and quality of the donated food while it is stored.



# Chapter 9 Safety Issues for Food Recovery Efforts that Feed the Hungry

critical consideration in all food recovery and gleaning projects is maintaining the safety and quality of the donated food while it is stored and transported. The following guidelines, prepared by The Chef and Child Foundation of the American Culinary Federation in the workbook, *Understanding Prepared Foods*, may be helpful for entities receiving donated food.

## **Background on Foodborne Illness**

The most commonly reported foodborne illnesses are caused by bacteria. ironically, these are also the easiest types of foodborne illness to prevent. Thousands of people contract some form of foodborne illness each year. Symptoms may include an upset stomach, nausea, diarrhea, fever, or cramps. Some people are more vulnerable than others to the effects of foodborne illness, particularly infants, the elderly, those with underlying health problems, and the malnourished.

The bacteria that cause foodborne illness do not necessarily make foods look, taste, or smell unusual. Bacteria tend to grow very quickly under certain conditions in temperatures between 40 and 140 degrees Fahrenheit, the Danger Zone; in high-protein foods; in milk and dairy products, meat, fish, and poultry; when moisture is present; and when they have time to reproduce. Additionally, bacteria can easily spread through inadvertent cross-contamination.

## Preparing and Re-Processing Food

To avoid such cross-contamination, remember to:

- Avoid touching your face or hair when working with foods.
- Avoid using the same knife, spoon, or tongs on different foods.

- Be sure to clean and sanitize cutting boards and counter space between tasks when working with different foods.
- Avoid reuse of disposable containers. The aluminum pans food is delivered in should not be used again. Recycle them instead.
- Avoid storing washed and unwashed food together.
- Separate the raw and the cooked. Do not let juices from raw meat, poultry, or fish come in contact with other foods, surfaces, utensils, or serving plates.
- Wash hands thoroughly with soap and water before handling food or food utensils, and after handling raw meat, poultry, or fish.

## **Receiving and Storing Donated Food**

Handling the receiving and storage of donated food properly can greatly help reduce the risk of foodborne illness.

- Make space in the refrigerator or freezer for the donated food.
- Consider using the "FIFO" (First In, First Out) method; rotate the food to be sure the newest food is to the back.
- Clean all surfaces that you will be using before the food arrives.
- Evaluate the food:
- Is the food discolored? Is it moldy? Does it have a sour odor?
- Does frozen food look as if it has been thawed and refrozen?
- Has anything leaked onto the food from another container?
- Is the food at the correct temperature?

WHEN IN DOUBT, COMPOST IT OR THROW IT OUT.

# **How To Obtain Additional Food Safety Information:**

"A Quick Consumer Guide to Food Handling," available from USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service, may be ordered from: FSIS Publication USDA Room 1180 South Building, Washington, DC 20250.

The Chef and Child Foundation, American Culinary Federation's workbook and companion video, Understanding Prepared Foods, may be ordered from: The Chef and Child Foundation, American Culinary Federation, 10 San Bartola Drive. St. Augustine, FL 32086, (904) 824-4468, Ext. 104

USDA Meat & Poultry Hotline, (800) 535-4555. Food and Drug Administration Seafood Hotline, (800) 332-4010.

# Chapter 10 Questions Commonly Asked by Potential Food Donors

### Q Is it easy or difficult to donate?

A It is almost always easy. Most entities that donate food indicate that it is simple and quick to arrange with an established, local food recovery group to pick up food donations on a regular or occasional basis. Such entities also indicate that little or no additional staff time or help is needed to prepare and set aside food for donation pickups. Virtually all established food recovery and gleaning groups will arrange to pickup the food and have well-defined protocols for ensuring the safe and efficient distribution of the food.

# Q What are the major responsibilities of food donors?

A Donors have only three simple responsibilities:

1) Determining which organization or organizations will receive the donated food. Donors should ensure up front that the recipient organization follows strict procedures for guaranteeing food safety, has an ability to provide receipts for all food donated, and has an effective distribution system to rapidly get the food to people in need. Any legitimate food recovery and gleaning organization should be able to easily document its ability in those regards. Local groups that are affiliates of national groups such as Foodchain, Second Harvest, and the Society of St. Andrew must all adhere to strict national standards for handling donations.

2) Agreeing upon—and following—a regular practice to donate excess food. The donor would need to make arrangements with the recipient organizations for a schedule of regular pick-ups of food or a process when the donor would notify the organization when excess food is available. In many cases, the donor will agree with the organization as to a specific place in the donor's facilities where the food will always be left for the pick-ups.

3) Determining, to the best of their ability, that the food is safe at the time of donation. While the Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act (see below) legally protects companies that act in good faith to donate excess food, it does not protect donors who demonstrate gross negligence by knowingly donating hazardous food. If donors are ever in doubt about the safety of food, they should err on the side of caution and provide the food to animals, industrially recycle it, or compost it.

# Q Will I need to provide my employees with special training to prepare food for donation?

A Since your kitchen or cafeteria staff should already be knowledgeable about safe food handling practices, and since most food recovery and gleaning program staff are trained in proper food handling, storage, and transportation, it is unlikely that donors will need to provide their staff with any significant additional training.

# Q Am I liable for damages if the food spoils or causes injury, even if I have stored and handled it properly?

A To protect food donors, all 50 States and the District of Columbia have enacted "Good Samaritan" laws that specifically address food donations. In October 1996, President Clinton signed the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act, a federal law that promotes food recovery and gleaning. This legislation limits the liability of donors to instances of gross negligence and intentional misconduct and establishes nationwide uniform definitions pertaining to donation and distribution of nutritious foods.

Additionally, many food rescue programs will provide you with a letter of indemnification or a "hold harmless" letter that outlines your liability as a donor. Even if legal liability is waived, though, food safety is still of overriding concern to all parties involved in food recovery and gleaning.

## **Q** Can I take tax deductions for donating?

**A** Companies and farmers can usually take some sort of tax deduction for donating food, although the amount of the deductions can vary greatly depending upon a

number of factors encountered by the companies/farmers:

- whether they are "C" corporations, "S" corporations/partnerships, or nonincorporated
- what method of accounting they use for costs and expenses incurred in producing or acquiring the contributed food.

# Appendix A

## Food Recovery and Gleaning Information on the Internet

Two possible approaches to finding gleaning and food recovery organizations and resources on the Internet are:

### **USDA Food Recovery and Gleaning Web Site:**

This site contains a wide variety of general and detailed documents, including this Guide:

http://www.fns.usda.gov/fns/menu/whatsnew/gleaning/recover.htm

National Food Recovery and Gleaning Organizations:

The following web sites are good starting points to search for gleaning and food recovery related web sites:

Congressional Hunger Center:

http://www.hungercenter.org

Foodchain—The National Food-Rescue Network:

http://www.foodchain.org

Second Harvest: National Foodbank Network:

http://www.secondharvest.org

Society of St. Andrew:

http://www.endhunger.org

World Hunger Year - National Hunger Clearinghouse:

http://www.worldhungeryear.org/nhc

### Finding Other Food Recovery and Anti-Hunger Sites:

A general search of the World Wide Web can be conducted using search tools such as YAHOO or LYCOS. When using these tools be aware that the terms "hunger" and "hunger resources" are often more likely to identify the relevant organizations than the terms "gleaning" or "food recovery".

## Appendix B

## **Food Recovery and Gleaning State Resource List**

One way to find information about food recovery activities across the Nation is to call USDA's **1-800-GLEAN-IT** toll-free hotline, which is managed by World Hunger Year. It is an easy-to-reach source of information on food recovery and how to volunteer or donate food.

Perhaps the best way to get involved is to contact an organization nearest you already working on food recovery-related issues. Listed below is a State-by-State directory of such organizations, in alphabetical order by location of each organization's office, marked by the following affiliation codes:

**CES** = Cooperative Extension Service: comprises USDA-affiliated programs at the land-grant universities in each State. CES helps diverse agencies and community-based groups work together to establish local hunger programs, promote food safety and proper nutrition, and administer food recovery programs.

**FC** = Foodchain: Founded in 1992, Foodchain is a national network of prepared and perishable food rescue programs. It includes 140 member programs in 40 States and the District of Columbia. Membership requires organizations to comply with the network's food safety and donation guidelines. In 1997, Foodchain programs distributed more than 150 million pounds of food to 12,000 agencies. The organization provides technical assistance and marketing support, and matches donors to member programs. National contact: (800) 845-3008.

**FSA** = The USDA Farm Service Agency: Each state office of the Farm Service Agency has appointed one staff member to coordinate field gleaning activities state-wide and to help food recovery groups connect with farmers, ranchers, and orchard owners. Note: when sending information to state offices, make sure "FSA" is in the first line of the address. National contact: Sue Rourk King, (816) 926-6189, fax (816) 823-2464.

**SH** = Second Harvest, which is a nationwide network of food banks. The largest charitable hunger relief organization in the country, it oversees the distribution of surplus food and grocery products through 188 network affiliate food banks and nearly 50,000 charitable agencies. These food pantries, soup kitchens, and homeless shelters serve nearly 26 million people each year. In 1997, Second Harvest distributed 860 million pounds of food to hungry people. Note that some of the food banks served entire states or large regions of states through other delivery sites, which are not listed; to find such sites, you can call any food bank listed in your State. National office: (312) 263-2303.

**SOSA** = Society of St. Andrew, which is the Nation's leading field gleaning organization, rescuing over 20 million pounds of fresh fruits and vegetables yearly which would normally be discarded. The produce is taken as a charitable donation at growers packing and grading sheds or gleaned directly from farmers' fields. Produce is delivered to food banks, soup kitchens, and food pantries free of charge through the national Potato Project program and local Gleaning Networks. National contact: (800) 333-4597.

**WH** = From the Wholesaler to the Hungry has helped launch many systematic produce recovery programs and get them on their way to continuous and large-scale distribution of nutritious fresh fruits and vegetables to low-income people. National contacts: Susan H. Evans and Peter Clarke, (323) 442-2613.

#### Organizations listed below without affiliation codes are independent:

#### **Alabama**

Cooperative Extension Service (CES) Auburn University, AL 36849-5621 Phone: (334) 844-2224

East Alabama Food Bank (SH) 144 Tichener Avenue Auburn, AL 36830 (205) 821-9006 Fax: (205) 745-5606

The United Way Community Food Bank (SH)
2524 2nd Street, West
Birmingham, AL 35207
(205) 252-7343
Fax: (205) 251-6098

Magic City Harvest (FC) P.O. Box 11292 Birmingham, AL 35202 (205) 591-3663

Wiregrass Area United Way Food Bank (SH) 382 Twitchell Road Dothan, AL 36303 (205) 794-9775 Fax: (205) 794-4776

Food Bank of North Alabama (SH) 2000 Vernon Street #B Huntsville, AL 35805 (205) 539-2256 Fax: (205) 539-1437

Bay Area Food Bank (SH) 551 C. Western Drive Mobile, AL 36607 (334) 471-1608 Fax: (334) 471-1626

Montgomery Area Food Bank, Inc. (SH) 521 Trade Center Street Montgomery, AL 36108-2107 (334) 263-3784 Fax: (334) 262-6854

USDA - Alabama State Office (FSA) P. O. Box 235013 Montgomery, AL 36106 (334) 279-3500 Fax: (334) 279-3550

Selma Area Food Bank (SH) P.O. Box 2513 497 Oak Street Selma, AL 36702 (205) 872-4111

West Alabama Food Bank (SH) P.O. Box 030442 Tuscaloosa, AL 35403 (205) 759-5519

1890 Extension Programs (CES) Tuskegee University Tuskegee, AL 36088 (205) 727-8808

#### Alaska

Food Bank of Alaska (SH) 2121 Spar Avenue Anchorage, AK 99501 (907) 272-3663 Fax: (907) 277-7368

Fairbanks Community Food Bank (SH) 517 Gaffney Road Fairbanks, AK 99701-4913 (907) 452-7761 Fax: (907) 456-2377

Southeast Alaska Food Bank (SH) 5597 Aisek Street Juneau, AK 99801 (907) 780-4359 Fax: (907) 780-4098

Nome Community Center, Inc. (SH) P.O. Box 98 Nome, AK 99762 (907) 443-5259 Fax: (907) 443-2990 USDA - Alaska State Office (FSA) 800 West Evergreen, Suite 216 Palmer, AK 99645-6539 (907) 745-7982 Fax: (907) 745-7984

Kenai Peninsula Food Bank (SH) P.O. Box 1267 Soldotna, AK 99669-1267 (907) 262-3111 Fax: (907) 262-6428

#### Arizona

United Food Bank (SH) (WH) 358 E. Javelina Mesa, AZ 85210 (602) 9264897 Fax: (602) 926-7025

Borderlands Food Bank (WH) 1186 N. Hohokam Drive Nogales, AZ 85621 (520) 287-2627

Association of Arizona Food Banks (WH) 234 N. Central, Suite 125 Phoenix, AZ 85004 (602) 252-9088

St. Vincent De Paul Food Bank (WH) 420 West Watkins Street Phoenix, AZ 85003 (602) 261-6851

St. Mary's Food Bank (WH) (FC) 2841 North 31st Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85009-1518 (602) 352-3640

St. Mary's Food Bank (FC) 2841 North 31st Avenue Phoenix, AZ 85002-1518 (602)352-3640 Fax: (602)352-3659 Desert Mission Food Bank 9229 North 4th Street Phoenix, AZ 85020 (602)997-1747 Fax: (602)331-5744

USDA - Arizona State Office (FSA) 77 East Thomas Road, Suite 240 Phoenix, AZ 85012 (602) 640-5200 ext. 226 Fax: (602) 640-2652

Yavapai Food Bank 8400 East Spouse Drive Prescott Valley, AZ 86314 (520) 775-5255 Fax: (520) 775-5429

Waste Not, Inc (FC) 7375 E. Second Street Scottsdale, AZ 85251 (602) 941-1841

Westside Food Bank (SH) (WH) 13050 W. Elm Sun City, AZ 85372 (602) 242-3663 Fax: (602) 583-9245

Community Food Bank (WH) (SH) (FC) 3003 S. Country Club Tuscon, AZ 85726-6727 (520) 622-0525 Fax: (520) 624-6349

SE Arizona Food Bank Assn. (SH) (WH) 401 East Maley Willcox, AZ 85643 (520) 3844433 Fax: (520) 384-5378

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Fax: (860) 688-2776

Connecticut Food Bank (SH) P.O. Box 8686 New Haven, CT 06531 (203) 469-5000 Fax: (203) 469-4871

Table To Table (FC) c/o the Sheraton Stamford Hotel One First Stamford Place Stamford, CT 06902 (203) 323-3211 Fax: (203) 351-1986

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Fax: 305- 246-3128

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Help, Inc. (SH) 104 Elm Street La Grande, OR 97850-2621 (541) 963-7532 Fax: (541) 963-7971

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Cooperative Extension Service (CES) Virginia Tech Blacksburg, VA 24061-0228 (540) 231-7156 Seed of Life (SH) Rt. 1, Box 72 Bland, VA 24315 (540) 688-4808

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Fresh Foods Initiative Food Bank of SE Virginia (SH) (WH) (FC) 2308 Granby Street Norfolk, VA 23517 (757) 624-1333 Fax: (757) 627-8588

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Blue Mountain Food Share (SH) West 901 Rose Walla Walla, WA 99362 (509) 529-3561 Fax: (509) 529-3562

West Food Distribution Center (SH) 620 Lewis Street Wenatchee, WA 98801 (509) 665-0320 Fax: (609) 662-1737

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# Appendix C

# Text of Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act

# **PUBLIC LAW 104-210**

# An Act

To encourage the donation of food and grocery products to nonprofit organizations for distribution to needy individuals by giving the Model Good Samaritan Food Donation Act the full force and effect of law.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

# **SECTION 1.**

# CONVERSION TO PERMANENT LAW OF MODEL GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD DONATION ACT AND TRANSFER OF THAT ACT TO CHILD NUTRITION ACT OF 1966.

- (a) Conversion to Permanent Law.—Title IV of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 is amended—
- (1) by striking the title heading and sections 401 and 403 (42 U.S.C. 12671 and 12673); and
- (2) in section 402 (42 U.S.C. 12672)—
  - (A) in the section heading, by striking "model" and inserting "Bill Emerson";
  - (B) in subsection (a), by striking "Good Samaritan" and inserting "Bill Emerson Good Samaritan";
  - (C) in subsection (b)(7), to read as follows: "
  - (7) Gross negligence.—The term "gross negligence" means voluntary and conscious conduct (including a failure to act) by a person who, at the time of the conduct, knew that the conduct was likely to be harmful to the health or well-being of another person;"
  - (D) by striking subsection (c) and inserting the following:
    - (c) Liability for Damages From Donated Food and Grocery Products.
- 1) Liability of person or gleaner.—A person or gleaner shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability arising from the nature, age, packaging, or condition of apparently wholesome food or an apparently fit grocery product that the person or gleaner donates in good faith to a nonprofit organization for ultimate distribution to needy individuals.

- (2) Liability of nonprofit organization.—A nonprofit organization shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability arising from the nature, age, packaging, or condition of apparently wholesome food or an apparently fit grocery product that the nonprofit organization received as a donation in good faith from a person or gleaner for ultimate distribution to needy individuals.
- (3) Exception.—Paragraphs (1) and (2) shall not apply to an injury to or death of an ultimate user or recipient of the food or grocery product that results from an act or omission of the person, gleaner, or nonprofit organization, as applicable, constituting gross negligence or intentional misconduct."; and
- (E) in subsection (f), by adding at the end the following: "Nothing in this section shall be construed to supersede State or local health regulations."
- (b) Transfer to Child Nutrition Act of 1966.—Section 402 of the National and Community Service Act of 1990 (42 U.S.C. 12672) (as amended by subsection (a))—
  - (1) is transferred from the National and Community Service Act of 1990 to the Child Nutrition Act of 1966;
  - (2) is redesignated as section 22 of the Child Nutrition Act of 1966; and
  - (3) is added at the end of such Act.
- (c) Conforming Amendment.—The table of contents for the National and Community Service Act of 1990 is amended by striking the items relating to Title IV.

# SECTION OF THE NATIONAL AND COMMUNITY SERVICE ACT OF 1990 THAT WAS AMENDED BY THE EMERSON GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD DONATION ACT:

Public Law No. 101-610, 104 Stat. 3183 (codified at 42 U.S.C. 12671-12673) (1990)

# TITLE IV- FOOD DONATIONS SEC. 401. SENSE OF CONGRESS CONCERNING ENACTMENT OF GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD DONATION ACT.

- (a) IN GENERAL.—It is the sense of Congress that each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories and possessions of the United States should
- (1) encourage the donation of apparently wholesome food or grocery products to non-profit organizations for distribution to needy individuals; and
- (2) consider the model Good Samaritan Food Donation Act (provided in section 402) as a means of encouraging the donation of food and grocery products.
- (b) DISTRIBUTION OF COPIES. -The Archivist of the United States shall distribute a copy of this title to the chief executive officer of each of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories and possessions of the United States.

# SEC. 402. MODEL GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD DONATION ACT.

- (a) SHORT TITLE. —This section may be cited as the "Good Samaritan Food Donation Act".
- (b) DEFINITIONS. —As used in this section:
- (1) APPARENTLY FIT GROCERY PRODUCT.—The term "apparently fit grocery product" means a grocery product that meets a quality and labeling standards imposed by Federal, State, and local laws and regulations even though the product may not be readily marketable due to appearance, age, freshness, grade, size, surplus, or other conditions.
- (2) APPARENTLY WHOLESOME FOOD. —The term "apparently wholesome food" means food that meets all quality and labeling standards imposed by Federal, State, and local laws and regulations even though the food may not be readily marketable due to appearance, age, freshness, grade, size, surplus, or other conditions.
- (3) DONATE.—The term "donate" means to give without requiring anything of monetary value from the recipient, except that the term shall include giving by a nonprofit organization to another nonprofit organization, notwithstanding that the donor organization has charged a nominal fee to the donee organization, if the ultimate recipient or user is not required anything of monetary value.
- (4) FOOD.—The term "food" means any raw, cooked, processed, or prepared edible substance, ice, beverage, or ingredient used or intended for use in whole or in part for human consumption.
- (5) GLEANER. —The term "gleaner" means a person who harvests for free distribution to the needy, or for donation to a nonprofit organization for ultimate distribution to the needy, an agricultural crop that has been donated by the owner.
- (6) GROCERY PRODUCT. —The term 'grocery product" means a nonfood grocery product, including a disposable paper or plastic product, household cleaning product, laundry detergent, cleaning product, or miscellaneous household item.
- (7) GROSS NEGLIGENCE.—The term "gross negligence" means voluntary and conscious conduct by a person with knowledge (at the time of the conduct) that the conduct is likely to be harmful to the health or well-being of another person.
- (8) INTENTIONAL MISCONDUCT.—The term "intentional misconduct" means conduct by a person with knowledge (at the time of the conduct) that the conduct is harmful to the health or well-being of another person.
- (9) NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION.—The term "nonprofit organization" means an incorporated or unincorporated entity that —-
  - (A) is operating for religious, charitable, or educational purposes; and
- (B) does not provide net earnings to, or operate in any other manner that inures to the benefit of, any officer, employee, or shareholder of the entity.

- (10) PERSON.—The term "person" means an individual, corporation, partnership, organization, association, or governmental entity, including a retail grocer, wholesaler, hotel, motel, manufacturer, restaurant, caterer, farmer, and nonprofit food distributor or hospital. In the case of a corporation, partnership, organization, association, or governmental entity, the term includes an officer, director, partner, deacon, trustee, council member, or other elected or appointed individual responsible for the governance of the entity.
- (c)LIABILITY FOR DAMAGES FROM DONATED FOOD AND GROCERY PRODUCTS. A person or gleaner shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability arising from the nature, age, packaging, or condition of apparently wholesome food or an apparently fit grocery product that the person or gleaner donates in good faith to a non-profit organization for ultimate distribution to needy individuals, except that this paragraph shall not apply to an injury to or death of an ultimate user or recipient of the food or grocery product that results from an act or omission of the donor constituting gross negligence or intentional misconduct.
- (d) COLLECTION OR GLEANING OF DONATIONS.—A person who allows the collection or gleaning of donations on property owned or occupied by the person by gleaners, or paid or unpaid representatives of a nonprofit organization, for ultimate distribution to needy individuals shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability that arises due to the injury of death of the gleaner or representative, except that this paragraph shall not apply to an injury or death that results from an act or omission of the person constituting gross negligence or intentional misconduct.
- (e) PARTIAL COMPLIANCE.—If some or all of the donated food and grocery products do not meet all quality and labeling standards imposed by Federal, State, and local laws and regulations, the person or gleaner who donates the food and grocery products shall not be subject to civil or criminal liability in accordance with this section if the non-profit organization that receives the donated food or grocery products-
  - (1) is informed by the donor of the distressed or defective condition of the donated food or grocery products;
- (2) agrees to recondition the donated food or grocery products to comply with all the quality and labeling standards prior to distribution; and
- (3) is knowledgeable of the standards to properly recondition the donated food or grocery product.
- (f) CONSTRUCTION.—This section shall not be construed to create any liability.

# SEC. 403. EFFECT OF SECTION. 402

The model Good Samaritan Food Donation Act (provided in section 402) is intended only to serve as a model law for enactment by the States, the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories and possessions of the United States. The enactment of section 402 shall have no force or effect in law.

# Appendix D

# **Citations for State Good Samaritan Laws**

These citations are provided for informational purposes only. No representation is made as to the applicability of these statutes to the actions of any individual or organization engaged in food recovery or gleaning activities. Such individuals or organizations should consult with their legal advisors regarding the applicability of these statutes to their activities.

#### Alabama

Ala. Code § 20-1-6 (1995)

#### Alaska

Alaska Stat. §§ 17.20.345, 17.20.346, and 17.20.347 (1995)

#### Arizona

Ariz. Rev. Stat.Ann.§ 36-916 (1995)

#### **Arkansas**

Ark. Stat.Ann. §§ 20.57-201 and 20-57-103 (1995)

#### California

Cal. Civ. Code §§ 1714.25; Cal. Food & Agr. Code §§ 58501, 58502, 58503.1, 58504, 58505, 58506, 58507, 58508, 58509; Cal. Health & Safety Code §§ 114435 through 114455; and Cal. Civ. Code § 846.2 (1995)

# Colorado

Colo. Rev. Stat. §§ 13-21-113, 39-22-115, and 39-22-301 (1995)

# Connecticut

Conn. Gen. Stat. § 52-557L (1994)

### **Delaware**

Del. Code Ann. tit. 10, § 8130; and tit. 16, § 6820 (1995)

#### **District of Columbia**

D.C. Code Ann. § 33-801 (1996)

#### Florida

Fla. Stat. §§ 768.135-137 (1995)

#### Georgia

Ga. Code Ann. § 51-1-31 (1995)

### Hawaii

Haw. Rev. Stat. §§ 145D-1, 145D-2, 145D-3, 145D-4, 145D-5, 663-1.57, and 663-10.6 (1995)

#### Idaho

Idaho Code §§ 6-1301 and 6-1302 (1995)

# Illinois

III. Ann. Stat. ch. 745, para. 50/1, 50/2, 50/3, and 50/4 (1996)

#### Indiana

Ind. Code Ann. §§ 34-4-12.5-1 and 34-4-12.5-2 (Burns 1996)

#### lowa

Iowa Code § 672.1 (1995)

#### Kansas

Kan. Stat.Ann. § 65-687 (1995)

### Kentucky

Ky. Rev. Stat.Ann. §§ 413.247 and 413.248 (Mitchie 1995)

# Louisiana

La. Rev. Stat.Ann. §§ 9:2799 and 9:2799.3 (1996)

#### Maine

Me. Rev. Stat.Ann. tit. 14, § 166 (1995)

#### Maryland

Md. Courts and Judicial Proc. Code Ann. § 5-377; Md. Health-General Code Ann. § 21- 322 (1995)

#### Massachusetts

Mass.Ann. Laws ch. 94, § 328 (1996)

# Michigan

Mich. Stat.Ann. §§ 14.17(71), 14.17(72), and 14.17(73) (1994)

#### Minnesota

Minn. Stat. § 604A.10 (1995)

#### Mississippi

Miss. Code Ann. §§ 95-7-1, 95-7-3, 95-7-5, 95-7-7, 95-7-9, 95-7-11, and 95-7-13 (1995)

# Missouri

Mo. Rev. Stat. § 537.115 (1995)

#### Montana

Mont. Code Ann. § 27-1-716 (1995)

### Nebraska

Neb. Rev. Stat. § 25-21,189 (1995) Nevada Nev. Rev. Stat.Ann. § 41.491 (1995)

#### **New Hampshire**

N.H. Rev. Stat.Ann. § 508:15 (1995)

# **New Jersey**

N.J. Rev. Stat. §§ 24:4A-1, 24:4A-2, 24:4A-3, 24:4A-4, and 24:4A-5 (1994)

# **New Mexico**

N.M. Stat.Ann. §§ 41-10-1, 41-10-2, 41-10-3, and 41-10-4 (1995)

### **New York**

N.Y. Agric. & Mkts. Law §§ 71-y, 71-z (1995)

#### **North Carolina**

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 99B-10 (1995)

# North Dakota

N.D. Cent. Code §§ 19-05.1-02 and 19-05.1-03 (1995)

#### Ohio

Ohio Rev. Code Ann. §§ 2305.35 and 2305.37 (Anderson 1995)

#### Oklahoma

Okla. Stat. tit. 76, § 5.6 (1995)

# Oregon

Or. Rev. Stat. § 30.890 (1995)

#### Pennsylvania

10 Pa. Cons. Stat. §§ 351-58; 42 Pa. Cons. Stat. § 8338 (1995)

#### Rhode Island

R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 21-34-1, 21-34-2 and 21-24-3 (1995)

# **South Carolina**

S.C. Code Ann. §§ 15-74-10, 15-74-20, 15-74-30, and 15-74-40 (1993)

# **South Dakota**

S.D. Codified Laws §§ 39-4-22, 39-4-23, 39-4-24 and 39-4-25 (1996)

#### Tennessee

Tenn. Code Ann. §§ 53-13-101,53-13-102 and 53-13-103 (1995)

#### **Texas**

Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code §§ 76.001, 76.002, 76.003, and 76.004 (1996)

# Utah

Utah Code Ann. §§ 4-34-5 and 78-11-22.1 (1995)

#### Vermont

Vt. Stat.Ann. tit. 12, §§ 5761 and 5762 (1995)

### Virginia

Va. Code Ann. §§ 3.1-418.1 and 3 5.1-14.2 (1995)

# Washington

Wash. Rev. Code §§ 69.80.010, 69.80.020, 69.80.030, 69.80.031, 69.80.040, 69.80.050, and 69.80.900 (1995)

# **West Virginia**

W. Va. Code §§ 9-8-2 and 55-7-16 (1995)

# Wisconsin

Wis. Stat. § 895.51 (1994)

# Wyoming

Wyo. Stat. § 35-7-1301 (1995)