



How are you addressing SB1383?

Food Finders is a food recovery nonprofit, coordinating daily donations of food overages from hundreds of businesses. to ensure it reaches people in need rather than going to waste. We pick up and distribute same-day.

**With 1 in 7 people experiencing hunger daily,
why wait? Start a donation program today.**



We make it easy

We work with your schedule, ensuring a safe and efficient process while keeping food local to your area. You can't afford *not* to start a food rescue program. It's a win-win—for your bottom line and for your community.

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Your Questions On Food Recovery Answered

How do I get started donating food?

A brief phone call will cover what food you will be donating and scheduling. We will also have you sign a donor agreement that covers expectations on both sides. This will allow you to show your city office you are participating in a food recovery program.

What types of food do you take?

We accept most unopened or unserved items, perishable or nonperishable, as long as they are safely contained and within expiration periods.

What food handling measures are in place once I donate?

Food Finders has a food handler's certificate as do all of the pantries and agencies we partner with that receive the food. For large donations, all of our vehicles are refrigerated and volunteer vehicles travel a short distance.

How do I contain the food for donation?

We suggest using what you would normally use to store the food at your location. We can work with you to find the best solution.

Is there a minimum donation you will take?

We generally take any amount of food available, since our partner agencies range in size.

Will you provide me with a tax receipt?

Food Finders provides receipts monthly or annually as needed, which include the amount of food donated (pounds) and category of food. We do not assign a dollar value—that is up to your individual accountant.

What if someone gets ill from the food donated?

Food Finders carries liability insurance. Our recipient agencies carry insurance as well and are responsible for properly storing and serving food.

Can I request the pantry or shelter where my food gets donated?

Yes, and as long as the food you donate is what they need, we can coordinate that partnership for you.

Donating Food Is Supported By California Law and Health Code

1996 The Good Samaritan Act
Encourages donations of wholesome food by people, businesses or gleaners, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

Federal Food Donation Act of 2008 built on this legislation by encouraging federal agencies to donate excess food to nonprofit organizations, utilizing the exemption for civil and criminal liability provided for in the 1996 law.

Article 7. Food Facility Food Donations

114432. Any food facility may donate food to a food bank or to any other nonprofit charitable organization for distribution to persons free of charge

114433. No food facility that donates food as permitted by Section 114432, shall be subject to civil or criminal liability or penalty for violation of any laws, regulations, or ordinances regulating the labeling or packaging of the donated product or, with respect to any other laws, regulations, or ordinances, for a violation occurring after the time of the donation.

For additional information see
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