SB 1383 Edible Food Recovery Working Group Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday, August 19th, 2025, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m. **Location:** Virtual Meeting **Join the meeting now**

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Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions

2. Public Comments & Communications

- a. Open Comments
 - i. County of San Diego County of San Diego Edible Food Recovery Working

 Group Participant Feedback Form
 - i Please complete this voluntary form to help keep our contact list up-todate and to provide ideas on topics you'd like to cover in future meetings.
 - Presentation: San Diego County Emergency Operations Plan Update by Nick Zubel, Senior Emergency Services Coordinator, and Myla Barker, Emergency Services Coordinator
 - i Overview: The County's Office of Emergency Services will provide a presentation on the County's Emergency Operations Plan update. The Emergency Operations Plan is a comprehensive guide that details how the region will respond to major emergencies and disasters. As part of the update process, the County is committed to engaging food system stakeholders to ensure the plan addresses food insecurity considerations.

Discussion Topics Will Include:

- Overview of the Emergency Operations Plan
- How you can participate and provide feedback
- Open discussion to hear concerns, recommendations, and priorities from members
- ii Presentation to be sent out with minutes.
- iii. Presentation: ProduceGood Operational Update by Kiyonna Navarro, Program Manager
 - i Presentation to be sent out with minutes.

3. SB 1383 - Implementation, Discussion, Q&A

- a. Enforcement Plans/Process
- b. Site Visits/Inspections DEHQ Myths and Challenges

- c. Food Recovery Organization Site Visits
- d. Recordkeeping & Reporting (FRO's and Generators)
- a. Other roadblocks, concerns for discussion none

2. SB 1383 - Public Education Resources

- a. Craig Jones, North County Food Policy Council:
 - i. San Diego Regional Food Systems GIS Map (General link)
 - ii. Additional GIS Map FRO to Generator travel distance and connection (not for general public yet) (Available to the EFR working group only.)
- b. Foodbanks
 - i. Feeding San Diego
 - ii. San Diego Food Bank
- c. The Harvard Law School Food Law and Policy Clinic's has launched a new Food Loss and Waste Policy Hub website, which brings together a wealth of tools, cutting-edge legal research, and policy innovations to help explore and implement effective strategies. The website highlights four key areas: prevention, recovery, recycling, and comprehensive strategies, as well as highlighted resources.
- d. 8/12: Helping Catalyze Behavior Change In K-12 School Cafeterias
 Through Student Led Waste Audits, Projects & Experiential Learning
 (Catalyst Communities Initiative) (free)
- e. 9/8 and 9/12 noon- 2pm PST: LiveWell **Trauma-Informed Customer Service Training** (virtual) see flyer attached

3. Grants & funding

National

- a. HFFI Food Access and Retail Expansion Fund (HFFI FARE Fund):
 - i. Eligible applicant entities include for-profit business enterprises (including a corporation, limited liability company, sole proprietor, public benefit corporation); cooperatively owned businesses; taxexempt nonprofit corporations; institutions of higher education; state and local governments and governmental agencies, authorities, commissions and food policy councils; tribal governments and tribal governmental agencies, authorities, and food policy councils.
 - ii. The HFFI FARE Fund could assist a variety of organizations, business models, and capital needs of ventures that process, distribute, aggregate, market, and sell healthy, fresh, and affordable foods to underserved communities and markets.
 - iii. Multiple arounds of grant application deadlines 12/12/2024,
 05/01/2025, and 10/02/2025. Loans and technical assistance funding inquiry forms accepted on a rolling basis.

Local

a. Efficient Refrigeration Program (Farms Eligible!)

i. San Diego Community Power is offering free energy-efficient refrigerators and freezers to help local corner stores, small businesses, and nonprofits stock California-grown produce, dairy, meat, eggs, and culturally appropriate foods. This initiative supports energy savings and access to fresh, healthy foods in low-income and low-food-access areas. Eligible participants must be SDCP commercial customers and meet basic criteria, including location and food benefit acceptance. Learn more and apply here.

ii. The San Diego County Childhood Obesity Initiative (COI) 2025 Mini-Grant

- a. Offering funding to support short-term, community-driven projects that promote: Healthy food, Physical activity, Healthy people in healthy places, Human milk and breastfeeding support
- b. This year's funding includes:
 - i. \$10,000 total to support small projects (requests up to \$3,000)
 - ii. \$30,000 total specifically for projects focused on human milk and breastfeeding, thanks to generous support from the Kaiser Hospital Foundation (requests up to \$10,000)
- c. Application Deadline: Friday, August 22nd 2025
- d. Eligible applicants must be based in San Diego County
- e. Project period: October 2025 June 2026
- f. Apply now and learn more

1. Legislation - Summer Recess, No Updates

- a. AB 337 bill looks at expanding funding opportunities available under SB
 1383 but specifically for food recovery efforts.
- b. <u>AB1046</u> Short-lived climate pollutants: recovered organic waste product: food processing establishments As amended March 27th
- c. SB353 Income tax: credits: food banks.

2. News & Events

- a. CalRecycle info sessions:
 - i. Email Distribution: https://calrecycle.ca.gov/emailupdates/
 - ii. SB1383 Chat w CalRecycle Past Recordings
- Edible Food Recovery Technical Council (CRRA), second Tuesday of each month from 12 p.m. 1 p.m. no membership needed. Contact Annika Andersen for info on resources or mtgs
- c. 8/14: North County Food Polic Council Mtg 9:00AM 11:00AM at One Safe Place, 1050 Los Vallecitos Blvd, San Marcos, CA 92069. Please contact Craig

- Jones or visit their website to sign up for more info.
- d. TBD: Live Well San Diego South Region Food Insecurity Working Group. Contact Karen Clay at info@ilovetoglean.org for more information. 9:00AM-10:00AM at TBD. On Zoom
- e. 8/16 San Diego Food System Alliance's 5th Annual Gathering for San Diego County Food Vision 2030 at Morse High School
- f. 10/16 10/17: Food Rescue (Hero) Conference (virtual)
- g. 5/19/26 5/21/26: 2026 ReFED Food Waste Solutions Summit Charlotte, NC

3. Round Table

a. Future Topics? Troubleshooting restaurants? Discussion on how to collaborate across jurisdictions and with FRO's – how to streamline processes (reporting, capacity planning), lessons learned.

4. Adjournment

Next meeting Tues, September 16th from 1-3pm

SB 1383 Food Donation & Recovery Resources

Resource	Provided By
San Diego County Regional SB 1383 Resources	County
Regional SB1383 Organics Collection & Edible Food Recovery Resource page is now live (hosted on DEHQ webpage)	
Regional Guidance Document	Crowdsourced
 Tier 1 and Tier 2 clarifications List of Edible Food Recovery Organizations Local Ordinances California Retail Food Code (DEHQ) Contacts (jurisdictions, DEHQ, corporations) 	