

## **SB 1383 Edible Food Recovery Working Group Meeting Agenda**

**Date:** Tuesday, November 18th, 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 DPW – [County of San Diego Edible Food Recovery Working Group Participant Feedback Form](#)
    - a) Please complete this voluntary form to help keep our contact list up-to-date and to provide ideas on topics you'd like to cover in future meetings.
  - ii. Abound Food Care Presentation – Anthony Martinez, Logistics Coordinator
    - a) Solar Powered Refrigeration and Food Recovery Efforts

#### **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)
- e. Other roadblocks, concerns for discussion

#### **4. 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

#### **5. Grants & funding**

##### National

- a. **USDA's FY 2026 Patrick Leahy [Farm to School Grant program](#)**
  - i. Supports projects that: Incorporate more unprocessed, locally sourced foods into meals served at school, summer sites, and/or by child care providers; Provide producers training on procurement

requirements and food safety standards to protect child health; Integrate agricultural education into career and technical programs to support the longevity of America's agricultural legacy; Encourage increased consumption of fresh, whole fruits and vegetables; and more.

- ii. Detailed information about eligibility and application requirements can be found in the [request for applications](#). Applications close on Dec. 5, 2025

#### State

None

#### 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**.
- a. [Refed catalytic grant fund](#), new cycle coming soon
- i. **ReFED** is planning the fourth open call under their Catalytic Grant Fund: *Minimizing Methane Through Food Waste Solutions*. This open call will focus on advanced food recycling (e.g., enhancing sorting, decontamination, processing, and access to create more effective and efficient systems) and reducing methane in the beef and dairy sectors. ReFED is expecting to begin accepting applications in December 2025. Visit [here](#) for the announcement, and [here](#) for more information on the Catalytic Grant Fund.  
[https://refed.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_XkbPj\\_OpRx2TV7wHiTgLUg#/registration](https://refed.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_XkbPj_OpRx2TV7wHiTgLUg#/registration)

## **6. Legislation**

## **7. News & Events**

- a. CalRecycle info sessions:
  - i. Email Distribution: <https://calrecycle.ca.gov/emailupdates/>
  - ii. [SB1383 Chat w CalRecycle Past Recordings](#)
- b. [Edible Food Recovery Technical Council \(CRRRA\)](#), 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. [North County Food Policy Council Meeting](#) 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month 9:00AM – 11:00AM. Please contact Craig Jones or visit their [website](#) to sign up for more info.
- d. 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of every month, 9:00 AM -10:00 AM (Virtual) - [Live Well San Diego South Region Food Insecurity Working Group](#). Contact Karen Clay at [info@ilovetoglean.org](mailto:info@ilovetoglean.org) for more information.
- e. Emergency Operations Plan Survey is now open through November 21<sup>st</sup>
  - i. Link: [Emergency Operations Plan | Engage San Diego County](#)
  - ii. **Survey Link:** [Emergency Operations Plan Engagement Survey | Engage San Diego County](#)
    - a) Each local jurisdiction in the Operational Area has an individual Emergency Operations Plan. The County's Emergency Operations Plan supports or supplements individual Emergency Operations Plans for each local jurisdiction. County OES will ensure the County's Emergency Operations Plan updates align with individual Emergency Operations Plans for each local jurisdiction.
    - b) Questions or comments may also be submitted via email to: [Nicholas.Zubel@sdcounty.ca.gov](mailto:Nicholas.Zubel@sdcounty.ca.gov)
- f. 5/19/26 – 5/21/26: 2026 ReFED Food Waste Solutions Summit – Charlotte, NC
- g. Join us for a virtual community food system meeting - FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2025 | 2:00-3:30 PM
  - i. Learn about the progress of San Diego County's Food Justice Community Action Plan and share your ideas and experiences to help improve food access and food security across the region. Your input will help guide future County action. All welcome, advanced registration is appreciated: [bit.ly/OSEJfjcap](https://bit.ly/OSEJfjcap)
  - ii. Can't make the meeting? You can also participate online anytime.

## 8. 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.

## 9. Adjournment

*Next meeting Tues, December 16th from 1-3pm – group feedback requested, ok to cancel for holidays?*

**SB 1383 Food Donation & Recovery Resources**

Resource	Provided By
<a href="#">San Diego County Regional SB 1383 Resources</a>  Regional SB1383 Organics Collection & Edible Food Recovery Resource page is now live (hosted on DEHQ webpage)	County
<a href="#">Regional Guidance Document</a> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tier 1 and Tier 2 clarifications</li><li>• List of Edible Food Recovery Organizations</li><li>• Local Ordinances</li><li>• California Retail Food Code (DEHQ)</li><li>• Contacts (jurisdictions, DEHQ, corporations)</li></ul>	Crowdsourced