

SB 1383 Edible Food Recovery Working Group Meeting Agenda Date:

Tuesday, August 18th, 2026, 1:00 PM – 3:00 PM

Location: Virtual Meeting [Join the meeting now](#)

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Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions

- Christian Olivas, City of Lemon Grove
- Craig Jones, North County Food Policy Council
- Dana Laosiri, Republic Services
- Diana Jamaledine, City of Solana Beach
- Ellyn Law, County of San Diego
- Emily Schuetz, CalRecycle
- Gio Cortes, City of Escondido
- Jennafer Steffen, City of Poway
- Kiley Fitzgerald, City of Carlsbad
- Kirk Kinder, County of San Diego
- Kiyonna Navarro, Produce Good
- Leia Berube, Solana Center
- Marina Jones, San Diego Food Bank
- Molly Reeves, City of Carlsbad
- Michael Catalano, San Diego Food Bank
- Ofelia Andrade, City of Coronado
- Peter Bowman, CalRecycle
- Polina Osipova, City of San Diego
- Priscilla Flores Meza, City of Oceanside
- Tyla Soylu, Hidden Resources
- Valery O'Derio, San Diego Food Bank
- Wbaldo Arellano, City of Imperial Beach
- Yasamin Rasoulzadeh, County of San Diego

2. Public Comments & Communications

- a. Open Comments
 - i. Food Justice Community Action Plan (FJCAP)
 - a) To learn more about FJCAP, visit [Food Justice Community Action Plan | Engage San Diego County](#).
 - b) Office of Sustainability and Environmental Justice – Continuing to work on 11 Board items, no other updates.
 - ii. Strategic Plan to Reduce Waste
 - a) To learn more, visit [Strategic Plan to Reduce Waste | Engage San Diego County](#)
 - i. County of San Diego – Strategic Plan to Reduce Waste is specific to the unincorporated region, but all feedback is welcome. Community survey and stakeholder engagement meetings to be announced later this year.

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

- a. Enforcement Plans/Process (Questions for CalRecycle)
 - i. County of San Diego – Follow-up from CalRecycle on last meeting's discussion on using edible food recovery totals towards procurement targets:

- a) Pursuant to PRC 42652.5(j) a local jurisdiction may count up to 10 percent of its recovered organic waste product procurement target with mulch produced from tree trimming operations and edible food recovery. Please note that mulch from tree trimmings and edible food recovered under 14 CCR Section 18991.1 may collectively count for up to 10% of a jurisdiction's procurement target, not 10% for each product.
 - i. Please see page 6 of the [AB 2902 and AB 2346 Guidance](#) for more information.
- b) A jurisdiction can only count edible food recovered from the commercial edible food generators within its boundaries toward its recovered organic waste product procurement target.
 - i. As long as the Tier 1 and Tier 2 commercial edible food generators are located within the jurisdiction, their donations can be used, regardless of which food recovery organization received the donations.
 - ii. While the commercial edible food generators are not required to report to the jurisdiction, they are required to keep records of the amount of edible food donated as outlined in 14 CCR Section 18991.4.
- c) A jurisdiction should maintain documents in its implementation record that substantiate the procurement activity authorized under Public Resources Code (PRC) Section 42652.5(j), and specify the quantities or amount of edible food recovered from the commercial edible food generators located within the jurisdiction.
- d) Using the pounds of edible food recovered by food recovery organizations and services (FROS) may be used to comply with the requirements as long as this method provides the quantities of edible food donated by the commercial edible food generators located within the jurisdiction in the calendar year. Specifically, the jurisdictions need to be able to provide documentation in their implementation record evidencing the amount of edible food annually donated by the commercial edible food generators during a compliance evaluation.
- e) Since FROS may recover edible food from multiple jurisdictions, a jurisdiction should ensure the data used to meet its procurement target is only counting food recovered from commercial edible food generators located within its jurisdiction.
- f) Additionally, commercial edible food generators may be donating to FROS located outside of your jurisdiction, which would not be captured in the data reported by the FROS in your jurisdiction. Therefore, it would be beneficial to develop a methodology to capture edible food recovered from all commercial edible food generators within your jurisdiction's boundaries.
- b. Food Recovery Organization/Services (FRO/FRS)
 - i. County of San Diego – Recommend that jurisdictions look at their old food recovery lists to confirm whether organizations previously marked as only distributing food have now moved into the recovery space. County has onboarded a few new food recovery organizations that recently added food recovery to their services.
- c. Recordkeeping & Reporting (Generators, FROs, and FRSs)
- d. 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).
 - a) North County Food Policy Council – New tools being developed for fall semester. Updated mapping data needed from jurisdictions, Craig to connect with some attendees to discuss.
- b. Foodbank Updates
 - i. Feeding San Diego – No update
 - ii. San Diego Food Bank – No update

5. Grants & Funding

a. National

i. **National Household Wasted Food Prevention Project**

- a) The World Wildlife Fund (WWF) is administering community grants through the National Household Waste Food Prevention Project (NHWFPF). The NHWFPF will develop, launch, and implement a coordinated, nationwide effort to reduce wasted food in households by 10% per capita nationally and by 20% per capita in communities supported through grants by 2030. The National Household Wasted Food Prevention Project will include a.) A national media campaign developed by the Ad Council, and b.) Community grants administered by WWF in collaboration with WRAP and ReFED.
- b) To learn more and apply, visit [here](#).
 - i. Applications are open until September 1, 2026, 5:00 p.m. EST.

ii. **2026 HFFI FARE Fund Grants & Technical Assistance**

- a) Through the 2026 HFFI FARE Fund Grant and Technical Assistance funding cycle, at least \$5,250,000 is available for planning and implementation Grants and at least \$1,000,000 is available for Technical Assistance to eligible food retail and post-harvest food retail supply chain projects across the country.
- b) To learn more and apply, visit [here](#). Webinar recording available.
 - i. Inquiries are accepted until July 31, 2026, 11:59 p.m. EST.
 - ii. Applications are open until October 30, 2026, 11:59 p.m. EST.

iii. **2026-2028 HFFI FARE Fund Loans**

- a) Through the 2026 – 2028 HFFI FARE Fund Loan Request for Applications (RFA), at least \$22M is available for loans to eligible projects aiming to increase food access, and strengthen, expand, and innovate within the food retail supply chain.
- b) To learn more and apply, visit [here](#).
 - i. Inquiries are accepted until September 30, 2028, 11:59 p.m. EST.
 - ii. August 18, 2026, 3:00 p.m. EST - HFFI FARE Fund Loan RFA Overview Webinar
 - a. Register [here](#).
 - iii. September 1, 2026, 3:00 p.m. EST - HFFI FARE Fund Loan Readiness Webinar
 - a. Register [here](#).

iv. **2026 HFFI Local and Regional Healthy Food Financing Partnerships Program**

- a) Through the 2026 funding cycle, \$20 million is available in grants to eligible public-private partnerships that are implementing or will implement Food

Financing Programs in underserved communities across the country.

b) To learn more and apply, visit [here](#). Webinar recording to be posted.

i. Applications open until September 18, 2026, 11:59 p.m. EST

b. State

c. Local

i. **Efficient Refrigeration Program (Farms Eligible!)**

a) 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.

b) To learn more, visit [here](#).

i. Applications are closed; more opportunities are coming in 2026.

ii. **City of San Diego Capacity Building Grant**

a) City of San Diego Capacity Building Grant provides funding to nonprofit organizations that strengthen small businesses, commercial corridors, and neighborhoods in under-resourced communities throughout the city of San Diego. Through two funding tracks, Small Business Support and Community Growth, the program supports projects that promote economic opportunity, community well-being, and neighborhood vitality in the San Diego Promise Zone.

b) To learn more and apply, visit [here](#).

i. Applications open until September 15, 2026, 5:00 p.m. PDT

6. Legislation

a. [AB 660 \(Irwin\)](#). Food and beverage products: labeling: quality dates, safety dates, and sell-by dates.

7. News & Events

a. CalRecycle Info Sessions

i. Email Distribution: <https://calrecycle.ca.gov/emailupdates/>

ii. [SB1383 Chat w CalRecycle Past Recordings](#)

a) CalRecycle – Next Chat with CalRecycle will be on September 15th on paper procurement. Livestream will be at the same time as the September EFR Working Group meeting; livestream will be recorded as always.

b. [Edible Food Recovery Technical Council \(CRRA\)](#), 2nd Tuesday of every month, 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM. No membership needed.

i. Contact Annika Andersen or visit their website for more information.

c. [North County Food Policy Council Meeting](#), 3rd Wednesday in the months of January, March, April, June, July, September, and October, 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM. Craig meetings online some in person sept and October will be online

i. Contact Craig Jones or visit their website for more information.

d. [Live Well San Diego – South Region Community Leadership Team Meeting](#), 2nd Monday of

every month, 2:00 PM – 4:00 PM. Meetings alternate between in-person and virtual.

- i. Contact Karen Clay or visit their website for more information.
- e. Conferences:
 - i. April 29 – May 1, 2026: 2026 International Gleaning Symposium – San Diego, CA – **Concluded**
 - a) To watch session recordings, visit [Category: 2026 Symposium - Association of Gleaning Organizations](#).
 - ii. May 19 – 21, 2026: 2026 ReFED Food Waste Solutions Summit – Charlotte, NC – **Concluded**
 - a) To watch session recordings, visit [ReFED 2026 Session Recordings](#).
 - iii. August 30 – September 2, 2026: CRRA 2026 – San Diego, CA
 - a) To learn more, visit [CRRA 2026 - Conference and Trade Show](#).
- f. Events

8. Round Table

- a. County of San Diego DPW – [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-to-date and to provide ideas on topics you'd like to cover in future meetings.

9. Adjournment

Next meeting Tuesday, October 20th from 1-3pm

SB 1383 Food Donation & Recovery Resources

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