SB 1383 Edible Food Recovery Working Group Meeting Agenda

Date: Tuesday, December 19th, 2023, 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Location: Virtual Meeting [Click here to join the meeting](#)

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Agenda

1. Welcome and introductions (please type name and affiliation in chat)

- Allie Blankemeier – Feeding San Diego
- Alma O. Fernandez- City of Escondido
- Annika Anderson
- Caitlin Barboza – HF&H Consultants
- Christian Olivas – City of Lemon Grove
- Craig Jones- North County Food Policy Council GIS Platform
- Danielle McIntosh – City of Poway
- Danielle Osborne – CalRecycle
- Dave Didonato – City of Chula Vista
- Ellyn Law – County of San Diego
- Emily Schuetz – CalRecycle
- Eric Wolff – County of San Diego
- Heather Buonomo – County of San Diego – DEHQ
- Jacy Triboulet – Feeding San Diego
- Janin Rodarte – City of Escondido
- Jennafer Stefan – City of Poway
- Kaitlin Lowe – County of San Diego
- Karen Clay – I Love to Glean
- Kate Garrett – Feeding San Diego
- Katherine Crow – County of San Diego
- Kimberly – COPIA
- Mallika Sen – Solana Center
- Megan Kendall – City of San Diego
- Molly Reeves – City of Carlsbad
- Monica Martinez – City of El Cajon
- Ofelia Andrade – City of Coronado
- Polina Osipova – City of San Diego
- Paige Lowe
- Rachel Oporto
- Serena Lee – City of La Mesa
- Shannon Lee – County of San Diego
- Stephanie Ewalt-Ekolojik
- Stephanie Morris-Jimbo's

2. Public Comments & Communications

a. Open Comments

- <u>I Love to Glean</u> – The Refugee Center in City Heights has a new 20-foot refrigerator on-site that is accepting donations. To donate, please call 619-598-4912 or info@ilovetoglean.org to schedule a time.

b. Presentation: COPIA: Technology Driven Food Recovery Service Creating Efficient Processes and Compliance By: Kimberly Smith, CEO

- COPIA is a nationwide food recovery service that is the first automated food recovery donation service. COPIA is an app that matches food donors to local non-profits on a 1 to 1 basis. They have partners who can assist with transportation if needed. COPIA acts as a third-party coordinator that does not handle any physical aspects of the process. For more information about COPIA, visit their website: https://gocopia.com/ or contact success@gocopia.com.

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

a. Capacity Planning Discussion (Due Aug 1, 2024)

- <u>Ekolojik</u> – Updating business data.
  - County will send an RFI in Jan (with due date of May 15) to call for:
    - Estimated edible food disposal.
    - Estimated FRO capacity in FRO jurisdiction.

- - - Jurisdictions can use a combination of methods to determine capacity: Reports from FROs and spot surveys of FROs in your jurisdiction (sample questions in regional documents)
      - The County will not be doing a region wide survey.
- Tier 1 and 2 Disposal tool, review
  - County is updating tool with 2022 WCS data from CalRecycle and will roll it out in January. Will have training for the tool at the January EFR meeting.
  - County of San Diego –Jurisdictions should ask FROs if they can accept more capacity-not only what they currently take.
    - Others are encouraged to check Tier 2 identifications for capacity as the County checked hauler data and found some information was not correct.
    - You can manually exclude businesses that technically qualify as Tier 2 but you know from site visits/other work do not qualify.
    - County has sample survey questions on the regional guidance tab called survey questions that you can use on site visits. Link on bottom of agenda.

b. **Tier 1 & 2 – Questions & Discussion**
- City of San Diego – Questions on grey areas
  - Events: For events, we are unclear on the charges for entry parameters. For instance, do we need to include marathons where you pay to run but the post events are typically open to the public? How about events that are private with free tickets? Fundraisers that don't charge for entry but do have a donation requirement?
    - CalRecycle is working on guidance.
  - Malls are included under the definition of venues but what exactly is a venue and what exactly is a mall. There are many shopping centers but what is the line between strip mall and a mall?
    - Ekolojik: There are some answers on the regional document about grey areas that may help on the mall questions.
- North County Food Policy Council GIS Platform – What comes after Tier 2? What measures is the State planning to take to measure city/county compliance and enforce compliance? Will there be GIS mapping regarding SB 1383 implementation?
  - CalRecycle does not have anything planned for after Tier 2. Jurisdictions can take more stringent requirements if they choose. They are working on vetting resources to measure and enforce compliance. They do not have any plans for mapping capabilities to their knowledge right now.

c. **Site Visits/Inspections – DEHQ Myths and Challenges**
- DEHQ offered to host a webpage on County website for regional SB 1383 resources
  - Task: All jurisdictions to add their resources on Regional Guidance documents under the tab Jurisdiction&DEH Contacts
    - Update "Jurisdiction&DEH Contacts" with new points of contact and add correct webpages with information for businesses.
  - County of San Diego-DEHQ – Looking to get the webpage up and running soon. Interest in resources for restaurants and donors to put up point of contacts in each jurisdiction. Will send this information to every food recovery organization registered on their newsletter list. Vanessa is best contact if you have questions.

d. **Recordkeeping & Reporting (FRO's and Generators)**
- City of Escondido – Will CalRecycle visit jurisdictions to check on the compliance of Tier II businesses?
  - CalRecycle –Jurisdiction and Agency Compliance Enforcement branch (JACE) determines what information they are looking for. They will be examining EARs and Tier 2 will not be in the system till end of 2024. For more specific questions, contact emily.schuetz@CalRecycle.ca.gov.
- City of Carlsbad –How should businesses seeking to meet compliance by donating to employees track data for reporting?
  - CalRecycle – Encourage them to document information to show that donations are minimal so they can show that the amount is minimal for inspectors. Documentation can be done informally using Excel, etc.

e. **Other roadblocks, concerns for discussion**
- City of La Mesa – If anyone wants to share any letters/documents they're working on for enforcement, please contact Serena Lee at slee@cityoflamesa.us.
  - Mike Hice (mhice@chulavista.gov) offered resources for those interested.

SB 1383 – Public Education Resources

f. **San Diego Regional Food Systems GIS Map**
- North County Food Policy Council GIS Platform - The team is currently working on establishing GIS maps to identify food insecure areas and Tier 1 and 2 generators. Request is for jurisdictions interested in mapping.

g. **Resources for Tier 2 Public Education:**

- [CRRA EFR – Additional Resources](#)
  - Scroll to the bottom under "Additional Resource" and see adaptable Word documents for "How to Safely Recover Food" for each stakeholder group. Will work with DEHQ/Food Banks for local content
- Jurisdictions need to understand which FRO's and other orgs are best suited to accept prepared (Tier 2) foods.
- Options besides donation (Too Good to Go, donating to employees, donating to local homeless)

h. Food Bank updates on education efforts to partners

- <u>Feeding San Diego</u> – The organization shared a reminder of their free MealConnect program. Tier 2 Prepared food donors can use the program if they have at least 20 meals to use. They are open to coming into agreements with donors should the opportunity to donate arise. More information can be found here: https://feedingsandiego.org/get-involved/donate-food/mealconnect/
  - Reminder that it is good to have multiple options for donation to provide for situational flexibility.
- Food donation videos (County led for regional use)
  - SB 1383-specific and general food donation
    - Online resource hub location yet to be determined but materials are in final stage of review.

4. **Grants & funding**
   a. No updates

5. **Legislation**
   a. No updates

6. **News & Events**
   a. CalRecycle info sessions: *https://www2.calrecycle.ca.gov/Listservs/Subscribe/152*

7. **Round Table**

8. **Adjournment**
   a. *Next meeting Tues, January 16, 2023 – 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.*

SB 1383 Food Donation & Recovery Resources

Resource	Provided By
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
Food Recovery Capacity Survey Results (Updated 9/15/2022) • Additional County outreach is reflected in this document • To determine if FRO's would like to be contacted directly for food donations: Please see "data dump" tab and scroll all the way right, to column BN. • Access to Survey Questions for continuation of outreach	Crowdsourced
Model tools (franchise agreement, edible food recovery agreement)	CalRecycle
Capacity Planning for Jurisdictions	CalRecycle
CalRecycle's web page for food donors	CalRecycle
CalRecycle's web page for food recovery organizations	CalRecycle
SB 1383 Local Assistance Grant Program	CalRecycle
Waste Free SD – Bin Cleaning Services	County
Tableau Food Recovery Capacity Survey Results Dashboard	County/SDFSA
San Diego Regional Food Systems GIS Map	