

## SB 1383 Edible Food Recovery Working Group Meeting Agenda

**Date:** Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

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

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### Agenda

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

- Alex Christie, City of Escondido
- Annika Anderson, HF&H Consultants
- Brooke Yaptangco Flinn, County of San Diego DPW
- Calli Brannan, Flashfood
- Craig Jones, North County Food Policy Council
- Dana Laosiri, Republic Services
- Danielle Osborne, CalRecycle
- Dave Didonato, City of Chula Vista
- Elizabeth Prado, Life Acts
- Ellyn Law, County of San Diego DPW
- Eric Wolff, County of San Diego DPW
- Heather Heckman, City of Santee
- Joshua Keyton, County of San Diego DPW
- Jacy Triboulet, Feeding San Diego
- Jennafer Steffen, City of Poway
- Jill Larner, CalRecycle
- Karen Clay, I Love to Glean
- Katherine Crow, County of San Diego
- Kenneth Prue III, City of Oceanside
- Kirk Kinder, County of San Diego
- Leia Berube, Solana Center
- Lydia Donahue, Food Donation Connection
- Molly Reeves, City of Carlsbad
- Nicholas Vallejo, City of San Diego
- Nicole Gucky, City of Solana Beach
- Nita Kurmis Gilson, ProduceGood
- Ricardo Rodriguez, City of National City
- Rocio Ramos, City of Oceanside
- Sergio Saucedo, City of Vista
- Stephanie Ewalt, EcoTech Consulting
- Stephanie Ferris, City of San Diego

#### 2. Public Comments & Communications

- a. New meeting link reminder
- b. Open Comments
  - i. Calli Brannan, Flashfood Presentation
    - i For a copy of the presentation, see attachments.
    - ii For more information or questions please contact Calli Brannan at [calli@flashfood.com](mailto:calli@flashfood.com).
    - iii Questions & Comments
      - 1 EcoTech Consulting – Is Flashfood planning to expand into San Diego?

- a Flashfood – Yes, Flashfood is looking to potentially expand into San Diego this or next year. If any jurisdictions have any grocers in mind, please provide contacts to Flashfood.
- b North County Food Policy Council - How does Flashfood’s model work financially with grocery stores?
  - i Flashfood – Flashfood is a for-profit organization with a revenue share model with grocery stores. Flashfood receives a percentage of the sales from the grocery stores.
- c North County Food Policy Council – Is the number of families served based on number of app users. How many San Diegan users does Flashfood have?
  - i Flashfood – App users that made a purchase in CA in 2024. Will need to confirm the number of San Diegan users registered.
- d North County Food Policy Council – Does Flashfood provide grocers with records of pounds of edible food recovered?
  - i Flashfood – Yes, grocers are provided detailed reporting o pounds recovered
  - ii County of San Diego DPW – Since the food is being sold, it would not be considered as recovering food waste recovered and would not be required to be tracked need to be tracked.
- ii. Craig Jones, Palomar College - GIS Map Update
  - i North County Food Policy Council – In the process of revamping the GIS, spearheaded by intern – Christian. Updates:
    - 1 Simplified design with clearer color coordination and categorization
    - 2 In talks with the County regarding potential transfer of ownership
    - 3 Expected Spring 2025
    - a I Love to Glean – Kudos to Christian from the team!

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

- a. Enforcement Plans/Process
  - a. City of Chula Vista – Having some difficulty with getting certain businesses into compliance. Follow up with managers to reeducate/review requirements are a must for compliance.
  - b. Solana Center – Conducting annual Tier 1 inspections, speaking with department heads helps to provide a lot of insight on how programs are being run in the stores.
  - c. County of San Diego DPW – County issued their first financial penalty to a Tier 2 restaurant. Typically, the citation warning is enough of a push for most business to get into compliance.

- d. North County Food Policy – Have any other jurisdictions reached the penalty stage yet?
  - i. City of Chula Vista – No financial penalties issued yet; Chula Vista has only gotten up to citation warnings so far.
  - ii. City of Carlsbad – Issued their first citation, business has since come into compliance.
- e. County of San Diego HHSA - What are the financial penalties, and do they increase with continued noncompliance?
  - i. County of San Diego DPW – For the unincorporated region: 1<sup>st</sup> penalty = \$100, 2<sup>nd</sup> penalty = \$200, 3<sup>rd</sup> and subsequent penalties = \$500.
  - ii. County of San Diego DPW – CalRecycle’s guidelines on the enforcement process and penalties can be found at [Jurisdiction Enforcement - CalRecycle Home Page](#)
- b. Tier 1 & 2 – Questions & Discussion
- c. Site Visits/Inspections – DEHQ Myths and Challenges
  - i. DEHQ – Q&A
    - 1. School share Tables – employee, staff question (may affect child nutrition reimbursement)
      - 1. Pending – CalRecycle response
        - a. CalRecycle – Question was sent to 2 contacts from the California Department of Education. To be viewed in more depth...
        - b. EcoTech Consulting – Doesn’t appear to be explicitly mentioned, hopefully won’t become a roadblock.
    - ii. DEHQ offer to host a webpage on County website for regional SB1383 resources
      - 1. Content complete, DEHQ is currently creating webpage. Will share with group once live. See list of resources.
        - 1. County of San Diego DPW – Final touches are being added to the hub website, more updates to come.
      - 2. **Ongoing request:** All jurisdictions to add and/or update their resources on [Regional Guidance Document](#) under the tab Jurisdiction & DEH Contacts
  - d. Food Recovery Organization Site Visits
    - i. Share feedback and response from recent site visits (group)
  - e. Recordkeeping & Reporting (FRO’s and Generators)
    - i. City of Chula Vista – Utilizing a USD intern to visit FROs to remind them of reporting requirements. Chula Vista to develop a portal on the city’s website where they can provide input monthly.

- ii. County of San Diego DPW – Prepping for annual FRO visits in December/January, as well as scheduled reminder emails regarding annual FRO reporting.

- f. Other roadblocks, concerns for discussion

#### 4. SB 1383 – Public Education Resources

- a. [San Diego Regional Food Systems GIS Map](#) (General link)
- b. [Additional GIS Map – FRO to Generator travel distance and connection \(not for general public yet\)](#)
- c. Food Bank updates on education efforts to partners
  - i. No updates

#### 5. Grants & funding

- a. [USDA Funding Opportunity](#): The Community Food Projects Competitive Grant Program (CFPCGP) fights food insecurity through developing community food projects that help promote the self-sufficiency of low-income communities. NIFA's Community Food Projects (CFP) intends to solicit applications and fund two types of grants. The types are:

- i. Planning Projects (PP)
- ii. Community Food Projects (CFP)

Deadline for applications Deadline for applications is **November 7**. Click [HERE](#), to read the full CFPCGP funding opportunity.

- b. [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; tax-exempt 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 rounds of grant application deadlines **12/12/2024, 05/01/2025, and 10/02/2025**. Loans and technical assistance funding inquiry forms accepted on rolling basis.
- c. Catalyst [Nacy Jamison Fund](#) for Social Justice
  - a. Awards \$50,000 in unrestricted funding to leaders advancing racial equity and social justice in San Diego County

- b. Nominations for the 2025 cycle open Thursday, September 12, 2024. Nominations close December 31, and in-person conversations with finalists will occur in February of 2025, with grant decisions announced in April 2025.

## 6. Legislation

- a. [AB660](#) – Food Labelling
  - i. Signed by the governor on 09/28/2024, builds on existing (2017) voluntary use of USDA food labelling
  - ii. Requires “Best If Use By” phrasing (peak freshness/quality) or “Use By” (food safety related)
  - iii. Bans retailers and all food date labels from using “Sell By” labelling
  - iv. In effect July 1, 2026

## 7. News & Events

- a. [SDFSA Annual Gathering: Cooperation](#), Oct 17, 2024 – Escondido Center for the Arts
  - i. Life Acts – Nita Kurmis Gilson, Karen Clay, and Elizabeth Prado will be speaking for the “Cultivating Cooperation between Food Recovery Organizations” session.
  - ii. County of San Diego DPW – Kimberly Green to present the Food Justice Climate Action Plan (FJCAP) at the conference.
- b. ProduceGood – Nita Kurmis Gilson will be stepping down as co-executive director for ProduceGood. Mackenzie Anderson and Kiyonna Navarro will be taking over in her absence.
- c. EcoTech Consulting – For those that worked with Gertje Grootenhuls with the San Diego Food System Alliance (SDFSA), she has returned to San Diego and is back working with SDFSA in a different capacity.
- d. Live Well San Diego South Region Food Insecurity Group, October 23rd from 9 a.m. – 10 a.m. Contact Karen Clay at [info@ilovetoglean.org](mailto:info@ilovetoglean.org) for more information.
- e. [Food Rescue Hero Conference](#), October 24 & 25, 2024
- f. CalRecycle info sessions:
  - i. <https://calrecycle.ca.gov/emailupdates/>
  - ii. [SB1383 Chat w Calrecycle Past Recordings](#)
  - iii. CalRecycle - No upcoming sessions for October or November, to resume in December.
- g. [Edible Food Recovery Technical Council \(CRR\)](#), second Tuesday of each month from 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. – no membership needed.

- i. HF&H Consultants – If you are unable to attend, CRRA also facilitates subcommittees for capacity planning and best practices.
- h. North County Food Policy Meeting, October 17, 2024
  - i. Last meeting before the holiday break

**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.
- b. City of Escondido – Are there any guides/resources from CalRecycle or other educational groups on keeping organics bins clean?
  - i. County of San Diego DPW – County is working with DEHQ to collaborate on a document for restaurants. Common recommendations include Diatomaceous Earth, baking soda, bin cleaning, etc.
  - ii. CalRecycle – Danielle Osborne to look into additional recommendations.

**9. Adjournment**

*Next meeting Tues, November 19<sup>th</sup>, 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.*

**SB 1383 Food Donation & Recovery Resources**

Resource	Provided By
<p><a href="#">Regional Guidance Document</a></p> <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>	<p>Crowdsourced</p>