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Guide to the Online Gleaning Resources Hub





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INTRODUCTION

About The National Gleaning Project

The National Gleaning Project is an initiative of the Center for Agriculture and Food Systems (CAFS) at Vermont Law School, sponsored by the National Agricultural Library, a part of the United States Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Service. CAFS' mission is to develop the next generation of sustainable food and agriculture law and policy leaders while providing legal and policy resources for citizens to build and support such systems.

Referenced in the bible and depicted in famous works of art, gleaning is an ancient practice that was once recognized as a legal right for the poor in England. Yet, as common as gleaning once was, familiarity with it, along with many traditional agricultural practices, has significantly diminished. Recent years have



witnessed a resurgence of the practice, which is likely due to several factors including the persistence of hunger in America, massive cuts to the federal food stamp program, declining donations to food banks, and a growing awareness of the rampant needless food waste that occurs daily in this country.

Despite the growing support for the practice of gleaning, few outside the agricultural and local food policy sectors can define the term. Even within communities that recognize and support gleaning, the terms gleaning and food recovery are often conflated. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) suggests that there are essentially four different types of food recovery that occur in the United States: (1) field gleaning; (2) wholesale produce

salvage; (3) perishable and prepared food rescue; and (4) non-perishable food donations, collection, and recovery. Field gleaning is defined as the "collection of crops from farmers' fields that have already been mechanically harvested or where it is not economically or logistically feasible to field harvest. It can also include the collection of already harvested food at packing sheds." The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA), however, uses a broader definition of gleaning suggesting that it is "the act of collecting excess fresh foods from farms, gardens, farmers markets, grocers, restaurants, state/county fairs, or any other sources in order to provide it to those in need." Many advocates argue that gleaning and food recovery, while related, are separate and distinct. Specifically, both practices consist of the collection of surplus crops or food, but for some



advocates, gleaning involves a relationship with the farmer who has grown or produced the food whereas food recovery does not. Regardless of the specific definition of gleaning one chooses to adopt, the main intent of the practice is to recover surplus food for distribution to food insecure populations meaning there is a charitable dimension to the act.

Throughout this project, the terms food security and food insecurity will be used to describe and measure gleaning or food recovery efforts. Food security is a relatively recent concept defined through international consensus over the last several decades. The meaning of the term is more than simply a definition; food security is also an operational concept that policymakers can use to identify the causes of hunger to address food system deficiencies. The World Food Summit of 1996 defined food security as existing "when all people at all times have access to sufficient, safe, nutritious food to maintain a healthy and active life." Accordingly, the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) recognizes four pillars necessary to achieve food security: availability, access, utilization, and stability. Food recovery and gleaning efforts are integral components of these pillars that assist communities in achieving food security.

Although gleaning is an age-old practice, there are many legal issues that need to be addressed at the state and national level in order for gleaning operations – and the donors they work with – to thrive. In sum, liability and tax credit or payment issues are among the most prevalent concerns although there are also labor issues to consider. Despite the existence of a federal Good Samaritan law and state law variations of that law that cover volunteers and gleaning organizations, liability remains a concern for both donors and those volunteer-driven organizations. Donors are concerned that gleaners could be injured on their property; gleaning organizations are concerned that volunteers could do damage



to private property. For those organizations that are interested in taking on light value added processing of food products to extend shelf life, there are additional concerns related to food safety liability, and the extension of liability coverage to organizations involved in the processing.

Gleaning organizations also are interested in developing mechanisms to incentivize donations. The tax codes and other related laws vary greatly from state to state, but currently there is little to no monetary compensation to the contributing farm, not even in the form of a meaningful donation tax credit. Rather, the credit is often offered as a low percentage of the estimated crop value.

The National Gleaning Project is a multi-year endeavor that seeks to address the issues noted above while providing resources to food donors, advocates, organizations, and individuals involved in gleaning or seeking to develop a program. In broad terms,

the Project aims to reduce food waste, incentivize and/or remunerate farmers, restaurants, and other establishments to increase food donations to charitable organizations, address issues of food insecurity, and support local economies. The National Gleaning Project will develop and serve as a hub of legal and other information, such as best practices and innovative ideas, developed by our gleaning partners. By creating centrally located resources and elevating the gleaning model of food waste reduction, community development, and social justice for the food insecure, the Project will assist in the growth of the gleaning movement by reducing the information and resource barriers to organizing and implementing gleaning programs.

Purpose and Content of This Guide

Through preliminary research and interviews, the National Gleaning Project learned that there is a need for a national network to connect the organizations and individuals engaged in gleaning and food recovery across the United States.

These organizations vary in size, structure, mission, etc. and may engage solely in gleaning or glean as part of a larger food recovery program. The Project developed this resource for individuals and organizations involved in agricultural gleaning and food recovery to provide a clearinghouse for gleaning and food recovery related information.

The purpose of this guide is to provide an information resource to enable the above mentioned end users to research the laws pertaining to gleaning and food recovery, explore the work of other similar organizations, and connect with those organizations to consider opportunities for collaboration at the local, state, regional and national levels. Consequently, this guide includes national and state laws and regulations pertaining to gleaning and food donation, a comprehensive guide to gleaning and food recovery organizations by U.S. region, and additional resources on a variety of issues associated with gleaning and food recovery practices. This guide is the first of several broadly disseminated products the Project will develop part of its partnership with the National Agriculture Library.

Some of the organizations listed in this guide engage only in fresh or non-perishable food recovery from grocery chains, wholesale retailers, and other food industry members, but the Project hopes that by including listings of organizations engaged in non-gleaning fresh food recovery, farmers and other food donors will see opportunities to connect and advance gleaning as a pivotal means of food recovery.

The resources included in this guide were screened for relevance, robustness, and ease of use. It is a living resource intended to be periodically updated. We encourage and welcome input from all users of this website. Please send your suggestions, questions, and comments to: cafs@vermontlaw.edu



FEDERAL LAWS & REGULATIONS

Volunteer Protection Act

42 U.S.C.A. § 14501 (1997).

This law nonprofit and government volunteers from liability for harm provided, among other conditions, that the volunteer was acting within the scope of his or her established responsibilities and there was no intent to cause harm. This provision is not meant to conflict with any state laws limiting liability.

Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act

42 U.S.C.A. § 1791 (2010).

The Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act (the Act) protects individuals and nonprofit organizations from civil and criminal liability associated with the "condition... of apparently wholesome" foods if donated in "good faith." The Act also protects farmers from civil and criminal liability in the event individuals collecting food for donation to charity are injured on their property, except in cases of gross negligence.

Federal Food Donation Act of 2008

42 U.S.C.A. § 1792 (2008).

This law requires that all federal contracts over \$25,000 that involve the purchase, service or sale of foods or contracts on federal property where food is served will include language encouraging donation of surplus food stuff to nonprofit organizations benefitting the food insecure. Liability associated with this action is covered under the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act.

AmeriCorps Participants, Programs, and Applicants

45 C.F.R. § 2522.110(b)(2)(ii) (1994).

This regulation allows organizations involved in gleaning and/or recovery of food crops or other foods that would otherwise be discarded to apply as "Specialized Service Programs" making them eligible to compete for AmeriCorps grants.

Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program

7 C.F.R. § 1437.8(b) (2014).

This regulation stipulates that farmers filing a notice of loss under the Crop Disaster Assistance Program must not allow gleaning following the normal harvest until the crop acreage is released by a qualified Farm Service Agency (FSA) or Federal Crop Insurance Corporation (FCIC) loss adjustor, as determined by FSA. The FSA may agree to specific gleaning activities during this period provided that the gleaning operation and farmer provide accurate records of the quantity gleaned.

USDA Farmers Market, Willingness to Glean

7 C.F.R. § 170.12(c) (2005).

This law provides that those "participating in [United States Department of Agriculture] USDA Farmers Markets should commit to the USDA food gleaning/food recovery initiative," which requires that surplus food and "food products are donated to charitable organization... at the close of each market day." The regulation also refers any tax deduction questions to the IRS and allows for the receiving nonprofit entity to obtain a receipt for donated goods.

Emergency Food Assistance

7 U.S.C. § 7508 (2008).

This statutory provision allows the Secretary of Agriculture to give appropriated funds to states to pay for costs associated with "the processing, storage, transporting, and distributing to eligible recipient agencies" of gleaned commodities.

Assistance for Community Food Projects

7 U.S.C.A. §2034 (2008).

This law creates a program under which the Secretary of Agriculture may annually make grant funds available to "private, nonprofit entities" for projects that benefit underserved communities. These projects can include the work of gleaning and food recovery organizations.

Charitable, etc., contributions and gifts

IRC Section 170(e)(3) (2010).

Internal Revenue Code section allowing C-corporations an enhanced deduction for qualified contributions of food inventory to qualified organizations.



STATE LAWS & REGULATIONS



Alabama

ALA. CODE § 6-5-343 (2004).

Liability for farmer allowing nonprofit entity onto property

This law provides "any farmer, as an owner, lessee, occupant, or person otherwise in control of land," who allows a nonprofit entity to enter the land for the purposes of removing any crops that remain in the fields after harvest owes "that person the same duty of care the farmer owes a trespasser."

ALA. CODE § 20-1-6 (1981).

Nonliability of good faith donors and distributors of canned or perishable food This law protects a food donor who donates canned or perishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization, and the charitable or nonprofit organization which distributes such food free of charge, from "criminal or civil liability arising from an injury or death due to the condition of such food," except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness or intentional misconduct.



Alaska

ALASKA STAT. § 17.20.345 (2004).

Liability of food donor

This law protects a food donor who donates food "for free distribution by a food bank" from "civil or criminal liability arising from an injury or death attributable to the condition of the donated food," except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.

ALASKA STAT. § 17.20.346 (2004).

Liability of food bank

This law protects a food bank or nonprofit organization "that receives and distributes food" from "civil or criminal liability arising from an injury or death attributable to the condition of the food," if the food bank inspects the food in a reasonable manner, had "no actual or constructive knowledge at the time the food is distributed" of conditions that would make the food unfit for human consumption, and "the injury or death is not a direct result of the negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct of the food bank."



Arizona

ARIZ. REV. STAT. § 36-916 (1991).

Donation of food items; exemption from civil liability; definitions

This law protects a person who donates or harvests "an apparently wholesome food item or an apparently fit nonfood grocery product" to a charitable or nonprofit organization, and the charitable or nonprofit organization which distributes such food without charge, from civil liability for any injury or death due to the condition of such products, except in cases of intentional misconduct or gross negligence. Further, the law protects a property owner or manager who allows gleaning of food by a person or a charitable or nonprofit organization from civil liability for any injury or death of the person collecting food for donation, except in cases of intentional misconduct or gross negligence.



Arkansas

ARK. CODE ANN. § 18-60-107 (1989).

Gathering produce-liability

This law protects an owner, tenant, or lessee who allows gleaning of "agricultural or farm products" on their land from liability for any person who is injured on the land while gleaning, except in cases of gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct.

ARK. CODE ANN. § 20-57-103 (1981).

Canned or perishable food

This law protects a food donor who donates canned or perishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization for "free distribution or distribution at a nominal cost" from "criminal or civil liability arising from an injury or death due to the condition of the food," except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.



California

CAL. FOOD & AGRIC. CODE § 49001 (2015).

Creation of Office

This law establishes the Office of Farm to Fork to work with organizations

"involved in promoting food access to increase the amount of agricultural products available to underserved communities and schools in this state," including the agricultural industry, nonprofits, academic institutions, and local, state, and federal government agencies. The Office, in part, provides assistance for collaboration among farmers, food banks, agencies, and nonprofits in the "gleaning, collection, and distribution of agricultural products for the purposes of reducing hunger and increasing access to healthy foods."

CAL, HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 114376.5 (2015).

Operations inspections of community food producers or gleaners in response to a food safety recall or food safety complaint; costs; cease and desist orders; penalties for violations of Section 114376

This law authorizes an enforcement officer to inspect the operations of a community food producer or gleaner in response to a food safety recall or complaint and to issue the appropriate order for any violations.

CAL. HEALTH & SAFETY CODE § 114376 (2015).

Community food produces or gleaners; authority to directly sell or provide whole uncut fruits or vegetables or unrefrigerated shell eggs; requirements; registration. This law authorizes a community food producer or a gleaner to "sell or provide whole uncut fruits or vegetables, or unrefrigerated shell eggs, directly to the public, to a permitted restaurant, or a cottage food operation," if the community food producer meets all of the specified requirements within the law and any additional requirements adopted by a local jurisdiction.

CAL. REV. & TAX. CODE § 17053.88 (2011).

Qualified taxpayers donating fresh fruits or vegetables to food bank; credit against net tax; amount; deduction reduced; certification; carryover; report to Legislature This law allows a tax credit for a taxpayer who donates fresh fruits or vegetables to a food bank located in California of "an amount equal to 10 percent of the cost that would otherwise be included in inventory costs" under the appropriate sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The tax credit is set to expire on January 1, 2017.

CAL. REV. & TAX. CODE § 23688 (2011).

Qualified taxpayers donating fresh fruits or vegetables to food bank; credit against net tax; amount; deduction reduced; certification; carryover

This law allows a tax credit for a taxpayer who donates fresh fruits or vegetables to a food bank located in California of "an amount equal to 10 percent of the cost that would otherwise be included in inventory costs" under the appropriate sections of the Internal Revenue Code. The tax credit is set to expire on January 1, 2017. The law also provides additional provisions in regards to the above tax credit.

CAL. REV. & TAX. CODE § 23608 (2000).

Donated agricultural products; credits for transportation costs

This law allows a tax credit for a taxpayer who transports any donated agricultural product in accordance with the Food and Agricultural Code of an "amount equal to 50 percent of the transportation costs paid or incurred by the taxpayer in connection with the transportation of that donated agricultural product." The law also includes additional provisions in regards to the above tax credit.

CAL. REV. & TAX. CODE § 17053.12 (1996).

Donated agricultural products; credits for transportation costs

This law allows a tax credit for a taxpayer who transports any donated agricultural product in accordance with the Food and Agricultural Code of an "amount equal to 50 percent of the transportation costs paid or incurred by the taxpayer in connection with the transportation of that donated agricultural product."

CAL. CIV. CODE § 846.2 (1988).

Invitees on land to glean food for charitable purposes; limited immunity
This law protects an owner, tenant, or lessee who allows gleaning of
"agricultural or farm products for charitable purposes" from liability for any
person who is injured on the land while gleaning, except in cases of gross
negligence or willful and wanton misconduct. The immunity "does not apply
if the owner, tenant, or lessee received any consideration for permitting the
gleaning activity."

CAL. FOOD & AGRIC. CODE § 58503 (1977).

Surplus food collection and distribution centers

This law allows the board of supervisors of any county in California to establish a surplus food collection and distribution system and a 24-hour information and food collection center. The center provides information to connect available agricultural products with organizations in need of such donated agricultural products and for "collecting, receiving, handling, storing, and distributing donated agricultural products."

CAL. FOOD & AGRIC. CODE § 58505 (1977).

Liability for injuries; counties or donors

This law protects any county, county agency, or person who donates any agricultural product from liability for any injury in connection with such donated product, except in cases of gross negligence or willful act.



Colorado

COLO. REV. STAT. § 13-21-113 (2012).

Donation of Items of food—exemption from civil and criminal liability

This law protects farmers, retail food establishments, processors,
distributors, wholesalers, and retailers of food who donate food items to
a nonprofit organization, and the nonprofit organization that transfers or
distributes such food without charge, from civil or criminal liability for
damages "resulting from the nature, age, condition, or packaging of such
donated foods," except in cases of willful, wanton, or reckless acts of donors"
or if the "nonprofit organization acted unreasonably." Further, the law
prohibits any nonprofit organization from selling or offering to sell such
donated food items.



Connecticut

CONN. GEN. STAT. § 52-557l (2012).

Immunity from liability of persons who donate food and of nonprofit organizations or corporations that distribute donated food

This law protects "any person, including but not limited to a seller, farmer, processor, distributor, wholesaler, or retailer of food" who donates food items to a nonprofit organization, and any nonprofit organization which collects or distributes such food without charge or for a nominal fee, from civil or criminal liability for damages "resulting from the nature, age, condition, or packaging of the food," except in cases that the donor or nonprofit organization "knew or had reasonable grounds to believe that the food was (1) adulterated..., or (2) not fit for human consumption."



Delaware

DEL. CODE TIT. 16 § 6820 (1982).

Food donors exempt from liability

This law protects "a person, including a farmer, processor, distributor, wholesaler, or retailer of food" who donates food items to a nonprofit organization from civil or criminal liability "resulting from the nature, age, condition or packaging of the donated food." This law does not limit the liability of the nonprofit organizations that accept the donated food items and the nonprofit organizations can request that the Division of Public Health inspect donated food items.



District of Columbia

62 D.C. REG. 1504 (MARCH 4, 2015).

D.C. Urban Farming and Food Security Act of 2014

This law amends the Food Production and Urban Gardens Program Act of 1986. This law, in part, provides a tax credit for individual tax payers, corporations, and unincorporated businesses that donate food grown from urban farming or community gardens.

D.C. CODE § 48-301 (2002).

Immunity from liability

This law protects a food donor who donates to a charitable or not-for-profit organization, and the charitable or not-for-profit organization that receives and distributes such food free of charge or at a nominal charge, from "criminal or civil liability arising from an injury or death due to the condition of such food," except in cases of gross negligence or intentional misconduct.



Florida

FLA. STAT. § 768.136 (2014).

Liability for canned or perishable food distributed free of charge

This law protects a food donor or gleaner who donates any canned or
perishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization, and the charitable
or non-profit organization which accepts, collects, transports, or distributes
such food free of charge, from criminal or civil liability arising from the
condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or
intentional misconduct.

FLA. STAT. § 595.420 (2014).

Food recovery; legislative intent; department functions

This law directs the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services to help coordinate the establishment of food recovery programs. The law, in part, specifies that the Department may provide direct and indirect support to food recovery programs by "loaning equipment, facilities, and staff resources for the collection, packaging, storage, and transportation of donated food, as needed."

FLA. STAT. § 768.137 (1997).

Definition; limitation of civil liability for certain farmers; exception
This law protects any farmer who allows persons to enter his or her land for the purpose of removing any crops that remain in the fields after harvest from civil liability "arising out of any injury or death resulting from the nature or condition of such land or the nature, age, or condition of any such farm produce or crop," except in cases of gross negligence, intentional act, or nondisclosure of known dangerous conditions.



Georgia

GA. CODE ANN. § 51-1-31 (1990).

Legal immunity for donated food

This law protects a food donor or gleaner who donates any canned or perishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization, and the charitable or non-profit organization which accepts for use or distribution of such food, from criminal or civil liability arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of recklessness or intentional misconduct.

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Hawaii

HAW. REV. STAT. § 145D-2 (1982).

Exceptions to liability

This law protects any food donor who donates to a charitable, religious, or nonprofit organization, and the charitable, religious, or non-profit organization which receives and distributes such food free of charge, from criminal or civil liability for any injuries or illnesses resulting from the condition of the donated food, except in cases of gross negligence or wanton acts or omissions.



Idaho

IDAHO CODE ANN. § 6-1302 (1980).

Donors and gleaners exempt from liability

This law protects any food donor or gleaner who donates any perishable or nonperishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization for free distribution from criminal or civil liability arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct. Further, this law does not limit the liability of the charitable or nonprofit organization that accepts perishable food items and "does not restrict the authority of any appropriate agency to regulate or ban the use of such food for human consumption."



Illinois

745 ILL. COMP. STAT. 50/3 (2001).

Donors and gleaners exempt from liability

This law protects farmers, wild game donors, food producers, processors, distributors, wholesalers, retailers, gleaner of foods, not for profit corporations, charitable organizations, or any other persons who donate "perishable canned or farm food items, prepared food, day old bread, or wild game" to a not for profit corporation or charitable organization that receives and distributes such food free of charge from civil liability for any illness or disease resulting from the condition of the food.



Indiana

IND. CODE § 34-30-5-1 (2013).

Immunity from liability for person who makes gift; exceptions

This law protects a person who makes a gift of a food item, an agricultural product, or livestock to a charitable entity from civil liability "arising from the use, condition, quality, or content" of that gift, except in cases of intentional, knowingly, or reckless misconduct.

IND. CODE § 34-30-3-1 (1998).

Agriculture: immunity from civil liability for allowing the gleaning of agricultural products

This law protects an operator who allows persons to enter his or her land for the purpose of gleaning agricultural products, without compensation, from civil liability for any injury incurred by the person collecting the food while on the land, except in cases of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.



lowa

IOWA CODE § 190B (2013).

From farm to food donation tax credit

This law establishes a farm to food donation tax credit for eligible taxpayers who (1) produce the donated food commodity; (2) transfer, without remuneration, the donated food commodity to an Iowa food bank or emergency feeding organization; (3) donate a food commodity that meets the requirements for donated foods; and (4) provide appropriate documentation supporting the tax credit claim. The law also specifies how to file the tax credit claim and limitations on such claims.

IOWA CODE § 672.1 (2008).

Donations of perishable food--donor liability—penalty

This law protects gleaners, restaurants, food establishments, food service establishments, schools, manufacturer of foodstuffs, meat or poultry establishments, or other persons who donate food to a charitable or nonprofit organization or government agency for free distribution from criminal or civil liability arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, intentional misconduct, or actual or constructive knowledge that the food is not fit for human consumption.



Kansas

KAN. STAT. ANN.§ 65-687 (1996).

Limitation on liability of donor for donated food

This law protects a food donor who donates canned or perishable food to a charitable or not for profit organization, and the charitable or not for profit organization which receives and distributes such food free of charge, from "criminal or civil liability arising from an injury or death due to the condition of such food," except in cases of willful, wanton, malicious or intentional misconduct.



Kentucky

KY. REV. STAT. § 141.392 (2013).

Tax credit for donated edible agricultural products.

This law establishes a tax credit for any donor in the amount equal to ten percent of the value of the donated edible agricultural products. The tax

credit is set to expire on January 1, 2018. Further, the law also provides additional provisions in regards to the above tax credit.

KY. REV. STAT. § 247.982 (2009).

Grant program eligibility and compliance

This law establishes a grant program for nonprofit organizations that: (1) have at least five years experience in coordinating a statewide network of food banks and charitable organizations that serve counties in Kentucky; and (2) coordinate the collection and transportation of surplus agricultural commodities to food banks across the state. The law also stipulates other requirements for those nonprofit organizations that receive a grant.

KY. REV. STAT. § 413.248 (2006).

Liability of donor for damages resulting from condition of donated food
This law protects a "person, including an individual, corporation,
partnership, organization, association, or retail food establishment," who
donates food to a nonprofit organization, and a nonprofit organization
that distributes such food without charge, from civil or criminal liability
arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence,
recklessness, or intentional misconduct.



Louisiana

LA. REV. STAT. ANN. § 9:2799.3 (2014).

Limitation of liability of restaurants, schools, churches, civic organizations, and certain food donors for damages from donated food

This law protects a "restaurant, church, civic organization, or school, or... any individual, farmer, manufacturer, processor, packer, wholesaler, or retailer of food" who donates perishable, salvageable, or prepared food for free distribution, from liability arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of an intentional act or omission or negligence.

LA. REV. STAT. ANN. § 9:2799 (2014).

Limitation of liability for damages from donated food

This law protects a "food bank and its designated distributor or... any individual, farmer, food service establishment, school, church, civic organization, manufacturer, processor, packer, restaurant, wholesaler, or retailer of food, or vitamins," who donates perishable, salvageable, or prepared food to a food bank for gleaning or free distribution, from liability arising from the condition of the food or vitamins, except in cases of an intentional act or omission or gross negligence.

LA. REV. STAT. ANN. § 9:2800.4 (1993).

Limitation of liability of owner of farm or forest land; owner of oil, gas, or mineral property

This law protects an owner of farm or forest land who allows a group or individuals to enter the land for the purpose of gleaning, without compensation, from liability for any injury or death in connection with such gleaning while on the land, except in cases of an intentional act or negligence.



Maine

ME. REV. STAT. TIT. 14 § 166 (2009).

Immunity for certain food donations

This law protects a food donor who donates canned or perishable food to a charitable or not-for-profit organization, and a charitable or not-for-profit organization that receives and distributes such food without charge, from "civil liability arising from injury or death due to the condition of the food," except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.



Maryland

MD. CODE ANN. TAX-GEN. § 10-208(G)(1) (2014).

Donated farm products

This law establishes a tax incentive for the donation of farm products to a gleaning cooperative. The law provides that an individual may subtract from his or her federal adjusted gross income, "the wholesale market value, determined as of the date of the donation, of farm products donated by an individual during the taxable year to a gleaning cooperative; [which] exceeds...the amount attributable to the donated farm products that the individual claims as a deduction for a charitable contribution under § 170 of the Internal Revenue Code." The law also provides additional requirements with regard to the above tax incentive.

MD. CODE ANN. CTS. & JUD. PROC. § 5-404 (1997).

Farmers and Gleaning

This law protects a farmer who permits a charitable organization to enter the farmer's property for the purpose of gleaning, without compensation, from civil liability for any injury in connection with such gleaning while on the property.

MD. CODE ANN. CTS. & JUD. PROC. § 5-634 (1997).

Donated food

This law protects a person who donates, prepares, serves, or dispenses, food to a nonprofit corporation, organization, or association that uses and distributes such food without charge, from civil liability arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence or willful and wanton misconduct.

Massachusetts

MASS. GEN. LAWS CH. 94 § 328 (1988).

Food donations; distribution, service and preparation; civil liability

This law protects a person who donates food to a nonprofit corporation, and a nonprofit corporation that distributes and serves donated food without charge or "at a charge sufficient only to cover the cost of handling such food," from civil liability for any injury arising out of the condition of such food. However, the law does not grant protection from liability in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, intentional misconduct; or if at the time of donation such food has been misbranded, adulterated, or in violation of applicable regulations.



Michigan

MICH. COMP. LAWS § 324.73301 (2007).

Liability of landowners for injuries to guests; gross negligence; willful and wanton misconduct; cause of action; definitions

This law protects an owner, tenant, or lessee of land who allows persons to enter the land for the purpose of gleaning agricultural or farm products from liability for any injury in connection with such gleaning while on the land, except in cases of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

MICH. COMP. LAWS § 691.1572 (1993).

Good faith donation; immunity; exceptions

This law protects "an individual, farmer, food producer, processor, distributor, wholesaler, retailer, gleaner, or other person" who donates prepared, perishable canned or farm food items to a nonprofit corporation or charitable organizations that distributes donated food without charge from civil liability for any illness or disease arising out of the condition of such food, except in cases of willful, wanton, reckless acts, or in violation of other provisions specified in the law.

MICH. COMP. LAWS § 691.1573 (1993).

Nonprofit corporations or charitable organizations; distribution of donated food; immunity, exceptions

This law protects nonprofit corporations or charitable organizations that receive food for free or at a nominal cost from civil liability for any illness or disease arising out of the condition of such food, except in cases of willful, wanton, reckless acts, or in violation of other provisions specified in the law.

Minnesota

MINN. STAT. § 241.241 (2012).

Prison gardening program

This law establishes a gardening program for inmates at correctional facilities where applicable. The law, in part, provides for the commissioner to "donate any portion of the harvest that cannot be used to feed inmates to food shelves and charities located near the correctional facility where the produce was grown."

MINN. STAT. § 604A.10 (1998).

Liability of food donors

This law protects a food manufacturer, distributor, processor, or a person who donates food to "the state, a political subdivision, an institution or facility operated by the state or a political subdivision," or nonprofit charitable organization, and a food bank or nonprofit charitable organization that collects, receives, and distributes such donated food at no charge, from liability for any injury arising out of the condition of such food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, intentional misconduct.



Mississippi

MISS. CODE ANN. § 95-7-3 (1983).

Charitable or nonprofit recipient, donor

This law protects any person who donates food to a charitable or nonprofit organization from civil liability for any injury or death arising out of the condition of such food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, intentional misconduct.

MISS. CODE ANN. § 95-7-5 (1983).

Charitable or nonprofit organization, distribution

This law protects a charitable or nonprofit organization that receives and distributes donated food, free of charge, from civil liability for any injury or death arising out of the condition of such food.

MISS. CODE ANN. § 95-7-9 (1983).

Required label

This law requires any charitable or nonprofit organization that distributes donated food to affix a label upon such food or where such foods are served, "stating that the food is not for resale and stating that pursuant to state law this organization shall not be liable in any civil action based on strict liability in tort for any injury or death because of the condition of such food."

Missouri

MO. REV. STAT. § 192.081 (2006).

Donation of canned or perishable food--definitions--procedure--immunity from liability, when—department to provide information

This law protects a food donor who donates any canned or perishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization, and a charitable or nonprofit organization that accepts, collects, transports, receives, or distributes such donated food for free distribution, from criminal or civil liability for any injury arising out of the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, intentional misconduct.

MO. REV. STAT. § 537.115 (2004).

Food donation or distribution, limited liability, when

This law protects a food donor who donates any canned or perishable food or frozen and packaged venison to a charitable or nonprofit organization, and a charitable or nonprofit organization that accepts, collects, transports, receives, or distributes such donated food for free distribution, from criminal or civil liability for any injury arising out of the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, intentional misconduct. The law also provides that a food donor or charitable or nonprofit organization must comply with certain provisions regarding donated, frozen and packaged venison.



Montana

MONT. CODE ANN. § 27-1-716 (1981).

Immunity of persons donating food for free distribution

This law protects a food donor or gleaner who donates any canned or perishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization for free distribution, from criminal or civil liability for any injury arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional misconduct. The law also specifies that if the "ultimate distributor" charges any fee for such food, the donor or gleaner remains immune.



Nebraska

NEB. REV. STAT. § 25-21,189 (1989).

Food; donations; limitations on liability

This law protects any person who donates any prepared or perishable food or raw agricultural products to a charitable or nonprofit organization, and a charitable or nonprofit organization that receives and distributes such food without charge, from civil liability for any injury or death arising from the condition of such food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct of the donor.

Nevada

NEV. REV. STAT. § 41.491 (2009).

Limitations on liability

This law protects any person who donates or harvests food or grocery product to a nonprofit charitable organization, and a nonprofit charitable organization that receives or distributes such food without charge, from civil liability for any injury or illness resulting from the consumption or use of such food, except in cases of gross negligence or willful misconduct. Further, this law protects an owner or manager of property who "allows a person to glean food from that property in order to distribute... or donate the food... without charge" from civil liability for any injury or death resulting from that gleaning, except in cases of gross negligence or willful misconduct.

NEV. REV. STAT. § 41.510 (2007).

Limitation of liability; exceptions for malicious acts if consideration is given or other duty exists

This law provides that an owner, lessee, or occupant of any premises "owes no duty to keep the premises safe for entry or use by others for participating in any recreational activity [including gleaning], or to give warning of any hazardous condition, activity or use of any structure on the premises to persons entering for those purposes."



New Hampshire

N.H. REV. STAT. ANN. § 508:15 (1995).

Donors and Distributors of Food

This law protects a food donor who donates to a charitable or non-profit organization, and a charitable or non-profit organization that receives and distributes such donated food without charge or "at a charge sufficient only to cover the cost of handling and administering such food," from criminal or civil liability for any injury arising out of the condition of the food. However, the law does not grant protection from liability in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, intentional misconduct; or if at the time of donation, distribution, or serving such food it has been misbranded, adulterated, or in violation of applicable regulations.



New Jersey

N.J. STAT. ANN. § 24:4A-3 (1983).

Nonliability for food donated to nonprofit organization

This law protects any donor or gleaner who donates prepared, perishable, or agricultural food to a nonprofit organization, and a food bank or nonprofit organization that receives and distributes such donated food, from criminal or civil liability for any injury or death due to the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or knowing misconduct. This law also protects an owner of agricultural food who allows gleaners to enter the land

for the "purpose of harvesting donated agricultural food for distribution" from criminal or civil liability for any injury in connection with such gleaning while on the land or from consumption of the gleaned or donated food.

N.J. REG. 371375 (SEPTEMBER 15, 2014).

State Food Purchase Program - Gleaning Support

This public notice, released by the New Jersey Department of Agriculture, establishes the Gleaning Support Program to support gleaning activities under the grant program. Further, this notice provides that interested eligible nonprofit entities that are gleaning from New Jersey farms and distributing such food to organizations feeding the hungry in New Jersey can request funds from the NJDA.



New Mexico

N.M. STAT. ANN. § 41-10-3 (1989).

Food donors liability protection; purpose; donors or distributors of canned or perishable food; limit on liability for injury.

This law protects any person or gleaner who donates any perishable or canned food to a charitable or nonprofit organization or municipality from criminal or civil liability for any injury arising from the condition of the food, except for cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional conduct.



New York

N.Y. AGRIC. & MKTS. LAW § 71-Z (2010).

Liability for canned, perishable food or farm products distributed free of charge This law protects a donor who donates any canned or perishable food, farm product, game or wild game to a charitable or nonprofit organization for free distribution from criminal or civil liability arising from the condition of the food, except in cases that the donor has "actual or constructive knowledge that the food is adulterated, tainted, contaminated or harmful to the health or well-being of the person consuming said food." Further, this law requires a not-for-profit charitable organization to "provide liability insurance to persons engaged in gleaning activities organized or sponsored by such charitable organization."

N.Y. GEN. OBLIG. LAW § 9-103 (1984).

No duty to keep premises safe for certain uses; responsibility for acts of such users This law provides that an owner, lessee, or occupant of premises, "owes no duty to keep the premises safe for entry or use by others for hunting, fishing, organized gleaning... or to give warning of any hazardous condition or use of or structure or activity on such premises to persons entering for such purposes." Further, this law provides additional provisions for an owner, lessee, or occupant of premises who allows such activities on the premises, including protection from liability "for any injury to person or property caused by any act of persons to whom the permission is granted."

North Carolina

N.C. GEN. STAT. § 99B-10 (1996).

Immunity for donated food

This law protects "any person, including but not limited to a seller, farmer, processor, distributor, wholesaler, or retailer of food," who donates an item of food to a nonprofit organization or nonprofit corporation, and a nonprofit organization or nonprofit corporation that uses or distributes such donated food, from criminal or civil liability for injuries resulting from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.

N.C. GEN. STAT. § 106-706 (1992).

Exemption from civil liability for farmers permitting gleaning

This law provides that any farmer who allows without compensation another person to enter the land for the purpose of removing any crops that remain in the fields after harvest to owe "that person the same duty of care the farmer owes a trespasser."



North Dakota

N.D. CENT. CODE § 50-06-35 (2009).

Department of human services food assistance contracts

This law provides that the North Dakota Department of Human Services can "contract with a statewide charitable food recovery and distribution organization to develop and implement new methods of delivering charitable food assistance services in underserved counties." The law includes additional provisions that the Department can implement in regards to expanding food recovery in the state.

N.D. CENT. CODE § 19-05.1-02 (1983).

Donor or gleaner liability for injury

This law protects a donor or gleaner who donates any perishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization for free distribution from criminal or civil liability for injuries arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence or willful conduct.

N.D. CENT. CODE § 19-05.1-03 (1983).

Charitable or nonprofit organization liability for injury

This law protects a charitable or nonprofit organization that receives or distributes food at no charge from criminal or civil liability for injuries resulting from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence or willful conduct.

Ohio

OHIO REV. CODE ANN. § 2305.37 (2008).

Consumer goods or perishable food; donation to certain nonprofit groups; limited liability

This law protects a person who donates perishable food or consumer goods to an agency, and an agency that distributes such donated food or goods, from liability that allegedly arises because those foods or goods are not fit for human consumption or use, except in cases of gross negligence or willful or wanton misconduct.

OHIO REV. CODE ANN. § 2305.35 (2001).

Immunity of donor in tort action for injury to gleaner

This law protects an "owner, lessee, renter, or operator of a farm or other real property" who allows a gleaner to enter such property to "salvage free-of-charge food items remaining on the property" for donation from liability for any injury, death, or loss of property resulting from that gleaning, except in cases of negligence, willful or wanton misconduct, or intentionally tortious conduct as defined by the law.



Oklahoma

OKLA. STAT. TIT. 76 § 5.6 (2013).

Food donations--Civil and criminal liability--Options for safe food donation--Regulation of use—Definitions

This law protects any food donor who donates to a charitable organization or non-profit corporation from civil or criminal liability for any injury resulting from the condition of the donated food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.



Oregon

OR. REV. STAT. § 315.156 (2014).

Crop donation

This law allows a tax credit for qualified donations by a "grower" to food bank or other charitable organization as defined by the law. The law states that the "amount of the credit shall be 15 percent of the value of the quantity of the crop donated computed at the wholesale market price... [or] that the grower would have received had the quantity of the crop donated been sold or salable."

OR. REV. STAT. § 30.890 (1989).

Food gleaners, donors and distributors

This law protects a gleaner or food donor who donates to a charitable or nonprofit organization for "distribution without charge or on a scale reflecting ability to pay or only requiring a shared maintenance contribution" from criminal or civil liability for any injury arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.



Pennsylvania

62 PA. CONS. STAT. § 4050.4 (2010)

Pennsylvania Agricultural Surplus System Act (PASS)

This law establishes the Pennsylvania Agricultural Surplus System (PASS) to enable the food industry to donate, sell or otherwise provide food products to the charitable food organizations. The law also provides a list of requirements that PASS must include to carry out the act.

42 PA. CONS. STAT. § 8338 (1990).

Liability for damages from donated food and grocery products

This law protects a person who donates food or grocery products to a nonprofit organization for free distribution from civil or criminal liability for any injury or death arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct. Further, this law protects a person who allows gleaning on property owned or occupied by him or her from "civil or criminal liability that arises due to the injury or death of any individual involved in the collection or gleaning of donations," except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.

10 PA. CONS. STAT. § 354 (1981).

Donor immunity

This law protects any person who donates food to a charitable or religious organization for free distribution from criminal or civil liability for any injury arising from the condition of such food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, intentional misconduct, "or if the donor has, or should have had, actual or constructive knowledge that the food is tainted, contaminated or harmful to the health or well-being of the ultimate recipient."



Rhode Island

R.I. GEN. LAWS § 21-34-2 (2008).

Immunity from liability for distributors

This law protects a nonprofit or charitable organization that receives, prepares, and distributes donated food without charge, from civil or criminal liability for any injury or illness resulting from the condition of the food, except in cases of intentional misconduct or recklessness.

R.I. GEN. LAWS § 21-34-1 (2005).

Immunity from liability for food donors

This law protects "a person, or organization including, but not limited to, a farmer, a processor, distributor, wholesaler, or retailer of food, or restaurant, or accredited culinary arts school" who donates food to a charitable or nonprofit organization "for the use or distribution to the needy" from civil or criminal liability for any injury or illness resulting from the condition of the food, except in cases of intentional misconduct or recklessness.



South Carolina

S.C. CODE ANN. § 15-74-20 (1992).

Good faith charitable donor of distressed food exempt from civil and criminal liability; exception

This law protects a food donor who donates to a charitable or nonprofit organization or food bank for free distribution from criminal or civil liability for an injury arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.

S.C. CODE ANN. § 15-74-30 (1992).

Charitable or nonprofit organization receiving distressed food in good faith exempt from civil and criminal liability; exception

This law protects a charitable or nonprofit organization or food bank that receives donated food from criminal or civil liability for an injury arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.



South Dakota

S.D. CODIFIED LAWS § 39-4-22 (1981).

Donation of food--Immunity from civil and criminal liability

This law protects a donor or gleaner who donates any perishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization for free distribution from criminal or civil liability for an injury arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.



Tennessee

TENN. CODE ANN. § 53-13-102 (2010).

Donors; privileges and immunities

This law protects a donor or gleaner who donates food to a charitable or nonprofit organization for free distribution from criminal or civil liability for an injury arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of negligence, recklessness, or intentional conduct.

TENN. CODE ANN. § 70-7-102 (2010).

Landowners; safety; duty of care

This law provides that a landowner, lessee, occupant, or any person in control of land "owes no duty of care to keep such land or premises safe for entry or use... [nor] required to give any warning of hazardous conditions" on the land to any person who enters the land for such recreational activities defined by law, including "fruit and vegetable picking for the participant's own use."



Texas

TEX. CIV. PRAC. & REM. CODE ANN. § 76.004 (1989).

Liability for Damages from Donated Food

This law protects a person or gleaner who donates food to a church or nonprofit organization "for distribution to the needy" from civil or criminal liability for an injury or death arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct. Further, this law protects a person who allows gleaning by volunteers on his or her property from "civil or criminal liability that arises due to the injury of a gleaner," except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.



Utah

UTAH CODE ANN. § 78B-4-502 (2008).

Donation of food--Liability limits

This law protects a person or entity who donates food to a nonprofit organization, and a nonprofit organization that distributes such food at no charge, from civil or criminal liability for an injury or death resulting from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.

UTAH CODE ANN. § 4-34-2 (1981).

Donation to charitable organization authorized

This law authorizes any person who produces, processes, sells, or distributes any agricultural product to donate, free of charge, any such product to a nonprofit charitable organization in the state.

UTAH CODE ANN. § 4-34-3 (1981).

County surplus food collection and distribution system

This law authorizes any county to establish a surplus food collection and distribution system that would connect nonprofit charitable organizations needing agricultural products with such donors.

UTAH CODE ANN. § 4-34-5 (1981).

Limitation of liability of donor, charitable organization and county
This law protects a county, county agency, or donor of an agricultural product who donates to a food donation program, and a nonprofit charitable organization that receives, accepts, gleans, or distributes any agricultural product, from civil or criminal liability for any injury resulting from the condition of such food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.

Vermont

VT. STAT. ANN. TIT. 12 § 5793 (1997).

Liability limited

This law protects an owner from liability for property damage or personal injury sustained by a person who enters the owner's land for a "recreational use," including "gleaning" as defined by law, except in cases of willful or wanton misconduct of the owner.

VT. STAT. ANN. TIT. 12 § 5762 (1983).

Liability for canned or perishable foods or farm products distributed free of charge This law protects a donor who donates any canned or perishable food or farm product to a charitable or nonprofit organization for free distribution from criminal or civil liability arising from the condition of the food, except in cases that the "donor has actual or constructive knowledge that the food is adulterated, tainted, contaminated or harmful to the health or well-being of the person consuming said food."



Virginia

VA. CODE ANN. § 3.2-5144 (2008).

Exemption from civil liability in certain cases

This law protects "any farmer, processor, distributor, wholesaler, food service establishment, restaurant, or retailer of food, including a grocery, convenience, or other store selling food or food products" who donates food to any food bank for use or distribution by the organization from civil liability for any injury or death resulting from the condition of the donated food, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional act of the donor. Further, this law protects any farmer from civil liability for any injury or death sustained by a person who enters the farmer's land for "purposes of removing any crops remaining in his [or her] fields following the harvesting thereof," except in cases of gross negligence or intentional act of the farmer.

23 VA. ADMIN. CODE § 10-110-142 (1987).

Virginia taxable income; subtractions

This law establishes a tax incentive for contributions that are made to a nonprofit organization as defined by the law, including contributions of crops to a nonprofit food bank. The "subtraction for qualified agricultural contributions is equal to the lowest wholesale market price in the nearest regional market of the type of products donated during the months in which donations are made." Further, the law includes additional provisions that must be met in order to qualify for such subtraction.

23 VA. ADMIN. CODE § 10-120-102 (1987).

Virginia taxable income; subtractions

This law establishes a tax incentive for contributions that are made to a nonprofit organization as defined by the law, including contributions of crops to a nonprofit food bank. Further, the law provides additional provisions that must be met in order to qualify for such subtraction.



Washington

WASH. REV. CODE § 69.80.031 (1994).

Good samaritan food donation act--Definitions--Collecting, distributing, gleaning—Liability

This law protects a person or gleaner who donates food to a nonprofit organization for "distribution to needy individuals," from civil or criminal liability arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional misconduct. Further, this law protects a person who allows "gleaners" or representatives of a nonprofit organization on his or her property for the purpose of gleaning from civil or criminal liability for any injury or death of the gleaner or representative, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional misconduct.



West Virginia

W. VA. CODE § 19-30-4 (2001).

Donation of food items; exemption from civil and criminal liability

This law protects any person who donates prepared or perishable food to a charitable or nonprofit organization, and any charitable or nonprofit organization that receives and distributes such food without charge, from civil or criminal liability for any injury or death due to the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct.

W. VA. CODE § 19-30-6 (2001).

Authorization of donations; diversion of products by directors to organizations. This law authorizes any person who processes, distributes, or sells any agricultural product to donate, free of charge, any such product to a food bank in the state. The law also encourages the director of each department of state government to "divert, whenever possible, surplus agricultural products" to such organizations.

W. VA. CODE § 19-30-7 (2001).

Surplus food collection and distribution centers

This law authorizes the Department of Agriculture to continue to operate an information and food collection center that would "receive and transmit information concerning available agricultural products" to nonprofit charitable organizations needing such agricultural products. "The center shall also collect, receive, handle, store and distribute donated agricultural products."

W. VA. CODE § 55-7D-3 (1998).

Limiting liability of persons or corporations who donate food or grocery products; exceptions

This law protects a person or gleaner who donates food to a nonprofit organization, and a nonprofit organization that receives and distributes such food without charge, from civil or criminal liability arising from the condition of the food, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional misconduct.

W. VA. CODE § 55-7D-4 (1998).

Limitation of liability for landowners or occupiers who allow collection or gleaning of donations; exceptions

This law protects any landowner or occupier who allows gleaners or representatives of a nonprofit organization on his or her property for the purpose of collecting or gleaning of donations from civil or criminal liability for any injury or death of the gleaner or representative while collecting or gleaning, except in cases of gross negligence or intentional misconduct.



Wisconsin

WIS. STAT. § 895.51 (2010).

Civil liability exemption: food or emergency household products; donation, sale, or distribution

This law protects any person "engaged in the processing, distribution, or sale of food products," who donates or sells, "at a price not to exceed overhead and transportation costs," food to a charitable organization, food distribution service, or governmental unit, and any charitable organization or food distribution service that distributes such food free of charge, from civil liability for the death or injury caused by the donated food.



Wyoming

WYO. STAT. ANN. § 35-7-1301 (1992).

Donation of food; exemption from civil liability

This law protects any person who donates food to a nonprofit organization, and any nonprofit organization that serves or provides such food free of charge, from civil liability for any injury resulting from the condition of the food, except in cases of willful, wanton, or reckless acts of the donor or organization.

LEGAL RESEARCH & RESOURCES

James Haley & Nicole Civita, *Food Recovery: A Legal Guide,* UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS SCHOOL OF LAW (2013).

This comprehensive guide provides food waste statistics, a summary of the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act and liability issues covered thereunder, health and safety standards, and addresses how the food sector can become more engaged in food donation.

James Haley, Legal Guide to the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Act, Ark. L. Notes 1448 (August 8, 2013).

This paper provides a detailed discussion of food waste and food insecurity in the United States while intending to inform those involved in the retail food industry of the provisions protecting them from liability under the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Act.

Recovery/ Donations, United States Department of Agriculture

This website provides links to resources for finding gleaning locations and food recovery organizations, as well as brief descriptions of and links to major federal laws relating to food recovery.

Loss Adjustment Manual (LAM) Standards Handbook: 2015 and Succeeding Crop Years, United States Department of Agriculture January 12, 2015.

A resource for navigating the USDA's rules for gleaning acreage insured by federal crop insurance.

Proposed Rule: Requirements for the Distribution and Control of Donated Foods, 79 Fed. Reg. 63224 (proposed Oct. 22, 2014; to be codified at 7 C.F.R. 250-251).

This rule proposes to revise and clarify requirements to ensure that USDA donated foods are distributed, stored, and managed in the safest, most efficient, and cost-effective manner at State and recipient agency levels. The rule would also reduce administrative and reporting requirements for State distributing agencies.

Food Recovery Committee, 2000 Conference for Food Protection, Council I, *Comprehensive Guidelines for Food Recovery Programs* (last updated March 2007).

This resource provides information about food safety practices, responsibilities of rescue programs, and discusses various legal concerns, regulations, and federal agencies associated with food recovery activities.

Terrence J. Centner, Tort Liability for Sports and Recreational Activities: Expanding Statutory Immunity for Protected Classes and Activities, 26 J. Legis., 26:1 (2015).

As part of a broader examination of liability associated with selected recreational activities, this article evaluates the role of the Good Samaritan Act in providing liability immunity to those involved in gleaning activities.

Urban Agriculture Law Project, Community Law Center, *Urban Fruit Gleaning and Trespass*

This blog post by the Community Law Center discusses the issue of liability associated with gleaning uneaten and unwanted fruit from trees on public land and in private backyards.

Dana Hamilton, Marguerite Ahmann and Sarah Hall, *Liability Protection for Food Donation*, Public Health Law Center at William Mitchel College of Law (March 2013).

This short guide details what activities and types of food donations are covered under the Good Samaritan Act. It also briefly addresses the difference in coverage between federal and state laws.

Non-Legal Research & Resources

Community Food Hubs Community Food Security and Economic Development, Edward J. Bloustein School of Planning and Public Policy, Rutgers University (May 2012).

This report discusses gleaning in the context of food hubs, community economic development, and food security in New Jersey. It provides some examples of gleaning activities taking place in different parts of the state.

Gleaning: Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington: 2009 Insurance Fact Sheet, USDA Risk Management Agency (July 2008).

This fact sheet explains defines gleaning, acceptable charitable organizations, and additional resources for crop insurance holders as part of the USDA's support for gleaning of federally insured crops.

Gleaning Stories, Gleaning Change

A radio and web project on gleaning that broadcasts stories from the fields and hosts a photo gallery of gleaners in action.

CropMobster: Community Exchange

An online hub where users can post or search for gleaning events, available surplus foods, donations, events, available land, employment opportunities and more.

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Managed by Oregon State University Extension Service, this online tool allows the user to search for community food programs throughout the state, such as gleaning, nutrition, and community gardens and kitchens. Users can also narrow their search by county, organization name, city and zip code.

High Desert Food and Farm Alliance

This online Donation Database helps users identify hunger relief nonprofits near their location that accept food donations. The website includes information on liability and information for food donors.

Community Jam

In partnership with Village Harvest and GleanSLO, Community Jam is a northern California harvester and gleaner conference held semi-annually in the San Jose area. The website allows users to suggest conference sessions and review past sessions.

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Resource prepared by the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environment. Provides background on the history of gleaning and its role in managing food waste and links to resources for volunteers and farmers.

Non-Legal Resources: Gleaning & Food Reclamation Organizations

National/Multi-Region

Society of St. Andrew

Nonprofit with regional offices throughout the southern United States. The Society of St. Andrew maintains a Gleaning Network of religious and other organizations involved in on-farm gleaning. Information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Feeding America

National nonprofit that runs the National Produce Program, which secures bulk produce and through value-added processing, distributes the produce to member food banks. The organization's website includes information for food banks, food donors, food recipients, and others.

Ample Harvest

A nonprofit providing education and support to growers and gardeners who want to donate excess crops. Food pantries can register with Ample Harvest to make it easier for growers to find them. The website includes information for growers, food pantries, and others.

Garden Writers Association

This organization sponsors Plant A Row for the Hungry (PAR), which encourages growers of all sizes to plant crops specifically for donation. The website includes information for those who would like to start a PAR campaign.

WhyHunger

This national organization provides grassroots support to assist community organizations to end hunger and poverty to "provide universal access to nutritious and affordable food."

Congressional Hunger Center

A Washington, D.C. based nonprofit policy organization focused on "mak[ing] issues of domestic and international hunger a priority to policymakers in the U.S. government and to raise a new generation of leaders to fight against hunger and poverty." The website includes information for advocates, legislators and donors.

Gleaning for the World

A nonprofit humanitarian organization providing supplies and logistical support to nonprofits in the United States and internationally to encourage the provision of nutritious surplus crops to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, advocates, donors and others.

Community Plates

This organization rescues nutritious food from restaurants, markets and other food industry members for distribution to the food insecure throughout the United States. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Donate Don't Dump

A nonprofit with 20 chapters in four states, that is managed by youth advocates and focused on rescuing surplus food for needy communities. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, and others.

Food Donation Connection

The organization partners with the National Restaurant Association and runs the Harvest Program; coordinating food donation programs for major restaurant chains and other food industry members. The website provides information for food industry, food recipient organizations and others.

Food Recovery Network

The program's mission is to build food recovery programs on college campuses across the U.S. The website includes information for donors and students who want to create chapters.

The Campus Kitchens Project

A Washington, D.C. based nonprofit working with "high schools, colleges and universities to share on-campus kitchen space, recover food from cafeterias and engage students as volunteers who prepare and deliver meals to the community." The website includes information for donors and those looking to start a campus kitchen campaign.

The Alliance to End Hunger

National nonprofit organization working with policymakers, organizations, foundations, universities and others to end hunger domestically and internationally. The website includes information for members, donors, advocates and others.

Ecotrust Food Hub

Run by the nonprofit Ecotrust, the Food Hub connects farmers and food suppliers, distributors, buyers, and others on an interactive online directory. The Hub services Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Alaska and California. The Hub's Farm to Food bank project provides hunger relief organizations with information on connecting with farmers, managing gleaning organizations, and other resources.



NORTHEAST REGION: CT, MA, ME, NH, NY, VT

Region Wide

Seacoast Eat Local

This organization "connects people with sources of locally grown foods" by producing a local food guide, sponsoring workshops and events and providing information through a newsletter, blog and website in Northern Massachusetts, Southern Maine, and Southern/Eastern New Hampshire. The website includes information for farmers, donors, individuals, and others.



State Specific

Connecticut

Foodshare

A nonprofit encouraging on-farm and backyard gleaning that distributes food through partner organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Connecticut Food Bank

Non-profit organization that "distribute[s] food and other resources to nearly 700 community food assistance programs in six of Connecticut's eight counties: Fairfield, Litchfield, Middlesex, New Haven, New London and Windham". The New Haven food bank's Plant-a-Row program encourages farmers, schools, and home and community gardeners to plant extra crops that are intended for food donation to the food bank and local food pantries. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients, and others.

TEEG

This organization partners with the Connecticut Food Bank on its gleaning program, which assists farmers and volunteers with harvesting and processing surplus foods for donation to food pantries. The website includes information for food and service recipients; volunteers; and others.

Eastern Connecticut Community Gardens Association

This nonprofit works with other organizations to glean foods for soup kitchens and like organizations. The website includes information for individual and group volunteers.



Massachusetts

Boston Area Gleaners

Boston Area Gleaners is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit established in 2004 focused on agricultural gleaning in Greater Boston. The website includes information for farmers and individual volunteers.

Island Grown Initiative

Nonprofit organization that runs a Gleaning Program to recover and deliver surplus food crops to multiple locations serving the food insecure on Martha's Vineyard.

Food For Free

A nonprofit organization that rescues food from farms, farmers markets, CSAs, wholesale distributors and grocery stores that also engages in delivery and transportation services and runs a small farm. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Lovin' Spoonfuls: A Food Rescue

Boston, MA based nonprofit that "facilitate[s] the rescue and distribution of healthy, fresh food that would otherwise be discarded" and delivers it to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

The Food Bank of Western Massachusetts

Hatfield, MA based nonprofit runs the Food Bank Farm in conjunction with Mountain View Farm CSA, providing fresh produce for the regional food bank. Other services include food distribution, nutrition, and senior food programs. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Rachel's Table

Springfield, MA based organization that runs a gleaning project called Helping Harvest, which encourages youth and adult volunteers to participate in onfarm gleaning and distribution of food to pantries, shelters, soup kitchens and food shelves. The website has information for volunteers, donors and farmers.

Edible Rescue

Organization that assists the food industry with managing surplus food by developing individualized plans for donating surplus food, including staff training, where/how to donate, and organizing pick ups. The website provides information for food industry business owners or managers.

Fair Foods

Dorchester, MA based non-profit organization that engages in food rescue from industrial food suppliers for distribution regardless of income level.

The website includes information for volunteers and donors.



Maine

Good Shepard Food Bank

Auburn, ME based nonprofit organization with programs providing local food to the food insecure, food transportation services, nutrition-based cooking classes, and child and senior hunger programs. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients, food donors and others.

Healthy Acadia

Ellsworth, ME based nonprofit' organization that runs a gleaning initiative to bring volunteers to farms, farmers markets, groceries, and other venues to recover food for distribution to food pantries and other sites. Additional food programs include summer meals; senior farm shares, and a CSA. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Cooperative Extension at the University of Maine: Maine Harvest for Hunger

Orono, ME based project run by the Cooperative Extension at the University of Maine that encourages farmers, home gardeners, master gardeners, businesses, schools, and civic groups to participate in gleaning. Gleaned and donated foods are delivered to soup kitchens and food pantries in the region. The website includes information for volunteers, gardeners, and farmers.

End-of-Market Gleaning Program, Maine Federation of Farmers Markets

Organization that serves as an association of Maine farmers markets running an End of Market Program to encourages farmers to donate their surplus produce and food crops at the end of the market day. Provides tips on market pick up, communicating with gleaning organizations; statistics on gleaning participation, and summary of the Good Samaritan Law. The website provides information for farmers and farmers market participants.

Partners for a Hunger-Free York County

York County, ME based coalition addressing regional food insecurity. The website has information for growers, advocates, community members and others.



New Hampshire

Willing Hands

Upper Valley region based nonprofit organization providing the food insecure with gleaned food from the Willing Hands Organic Farm, local farmers, and other donation sites. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers, food recipients and others.

The Community Kitchen

Keene, NH based organization that runs the Community Kitchen (TCK) gleaning program which recruits volunteers to collect produce and work with local farmers to encourage participation in gleaning. TCK also runs a food pantry and serves hot meals during the week. The website includes information for food recipients, volunteers and food donors.

NH Gleans

A network of organizations in New Hampshire working to distribute nutritional, local food to the food insecure throughout the state. The network supports several paid state-wide gleaning coordinators who connect with New Hampshire farmers for opportunities to glean surplus crops. The website includes information for volunteers and donors.

New Hampshire Food Bank

NH based organization that offers volunteer gleaning opportunities throughout the state during spring and summer on local farms and in their production garden. The website includes information for food recipients, volunteers and others.

NOFA-NH

New Hampshire chapter of the Northeast Organic Farming Association that runs a gleaning program, developed by NH Farm to School, which connects farmers, gardeners and food producers with food pantries. The organization conducts "Gleaning Days" throughout the growing season. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

NH Farm to School

A program of the University of New Hampshire, NH. Farm to School oversees the development of a network of gleaning operations throughout the state. The website includes information for volunteers and farmers interested in gleaning.

Veggie Volunteer Program, University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension

This is a program of the University of New Hampshire's Cooperative Extension. The website includes information for individual gleaning

volunteers and farmers interested in coordinating gleaning activities on their land and additional gleaning related resources.



New York

Friendship Donations Network

Ithaca, NY based nonprofit organization that provides fresh produce to the food insecure, sourced from local sites, including Neighborhood Food Hubs. The organization also provides healthy eating and cooking classes using gleaned produce. The website includes information for food recipients and others.

Food Bank Association of New York State

Statewide nonprofit organization that represents regional food banks. The Association accepts food rescue donations from industrial transportation companies and individuals. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients and food donors.

Rescuing Leftover Cuisine

New York City based nonprofit that works with hotels, restaurants and other companies to encourage food donations that can be distributed to needy communities. Additional services offered include food waste consulting, excess food delivery, co-branding services, and tax credit assistance. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and those interested in donating food.

Just Food

New York City based nonprofit training community members and leaders in developing urban agriculture and markets, running CSAs, and general food education. Additional programs include connecting farmers to city CSAs and markets, and working with food pantries and farm to school programing. The website includes information for farmers, volunteers and others.

Island Harvest: A Food Bank For Long Island

Long Island, NY based nonprofit that picks up surplus food from commercial donors and delivers it to food pantries, soup kitchens and other nonprofits benefitting the food insecure. The website includes information for food recipients, food donors, volunteers and others.

Foodlink

Rochester, NY based food rescue organization that operates a regional food hub and serves as a Feeding America food bank that distributes food to service agencies, serves meals and hosts over 30 food programs, including nutrition education. The website includes information for food and service recipients, volunteers, food donors and others.

City Harvest

New York City based nonprofit engaging in food rescue from farms, restaurants, cafeterias and other venues and delivering it across the five boroughs while providing additional services to address long term food insecurity. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors, and others.

West Side Campaign Against Hunger

New York City based organization that runs a customer choice "supermarket style" food pantry, accepts food donations and provides additional social services. The website includes information for food and service recipients and volunteers.

Food Bank for Westchester

Elmsford, NY based nonprofit that serves as a Feeding America member receiving food donations of perishable and non-perishable items from national affiliates and local partners. Food acquisition programs include a Retail Recovery program for surplus food and local food drives. The website includes information for volunteers and food donors.

UlsterCorps

Ulster County, NY based organization that runs the Ulster Corps' Glean Team, a part of their Hunger Project Collaboration that gleans, processes and transports surplus foods to food pantries. The website includes information for volunteers.

NY Common Pantry

New York City based nonprofit organization that accepts food donations and works to reduce food insecurity by supplying services to support the long-term independence of individuals in the community. Programs include hot meals, information on nutrition and active living, and other resources. The website includes information for food and services recipients, volunteers, donors and others.

Food Bank of Central New York

Syracuse, NY based nonprofit organization that receives donations from food and wholesale retailers, farmers, food manufacturers and community members and delivers the food to needy recipients. Child and senior centers, group homes, and other nonprofits can use the bank to meet their food needs. The website includes information for food and service recipients, farmers, volunteers, food donors and others.



Rhode Island

Rhode Island Center Assisting Those in Need

Nonprofit organization that provides social services and runs a food rescue program to retrieve, sort and distribute wholesome surplus food from grocery stores. The website includes information for volunteers and donors.



Vermont

Rutland Area Food and Farm Link

Rutland County, VT based nonprofit that manages a "Glean Team" to glean surplus produce from farmers markets, participating gardens and farms, and performs some processing of gleaned foods. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers and donors.

Salvation Farms

Nonprofit organization focused on addressing food insecurity in Vermont through "agricultural surplus management." The organization founded the Vermont Commodity Program and is a participating member of the Vermont Gleaning Collective. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers, donors and others.

Vermont Gleaning Collective

An initiative of Salvation Farms, the Collective is a network of "professionally organized community-based gleaning programs." The website offers an interface to coordinate gleaning activities and offers information and volunteer opportunities with many gleaning organizations throughout Vermont.

Intervale Center

Burlington, VT based nonprofit working to strengthen community food systems. Intervale The Intervale's Gleaning and Food Rescue Program gleans from local farms and packages "weekly free food shares for individuals, families and social service agencies." The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Vermont Food Bank

Vermont based nonprofit food bank that operates a gleaning program to glean from farms located throughout the state, and to sort, bag, and deliver local produce to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers and farmers.

Community Harvest of Central Vermont

Central VT nonprofit organization that recovers surplus food from local farms for the food insecure and runs a gleaning program. The website includes information for volunteers.

HOPE: Helping Overcome Poverty's Effects

Addison County, VT based organization that runs the HOPE Local Food Access Project which involves farmers, volunteers, the Addison County Gleaning Program and others to meet the needs of the food insecure and supports a small garden for the food shelf. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Willing Hands

Upper Valley region based nonprofit organization providing the food insecure with gleaned food from the Willing Hands Organic Farm, local farmers, and other donation sites. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers, food recipients and others.



MID-ATLANTIC REGION: DE, D.C., MD, NJ, PA, VA, WV

Regional

Mid-Atlantic Gleaning Network

National Capital region based nonprofit organization that plans gleaning events and transports surplus crops from farms to food bank hubs. The website includes information for volunteers and farmers.





Bread for the City

Washington, DC based nonprofit organization that runs Glean for the City, which captures surplus food from farmers markets and through direct food donations from community members. The website includes information for volunteers.

DC Central Kitchen

Washington, DC based nonprofit organization that runs a food recycling program that combines gleaned foods procured from farmers with food rescued using other food recovery methods to create healthy, balanced meals. The site includes information for volunteers, corporate partners and others.

FreshFarm Markets

Chesapeake Bay region based nonprofit organization that works with gleaning partners to donate and distribute surplus crops to charitable organizations in the Chesapeake Bay area. The website includes information for farmers markets and donors.

Maryland

Maryland Food Bank

Maryland based nonprofit organization that runs a Farm to Food Bank program that combines gleaning and contract growing to supply local produce to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers and others.

Nourish Now

Greater DC area based nonprofit organization that runs a food rescue program to accept food donations through drop-off and pick-up, and reduces food waste by encouraging the donation of prepared foods never used for service. The website includes information for volunteers and food donors.

Gather Baltimore

Baltimore, MD based organization that gleans unsold produce from farmers markets and organizes gleaning days on local farms. Collected food is distributed in part at monthly farm stands operating at several locations in Baltimore. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Baltimore Orchard Project

Baltimore, MD based nonprofit organization that gleans fruit from trees in public and private areas for distribution for the food insecure in Baltimore and offers resources for planting a community orchard or registering an individual fruit tree. The website includes information for volunteers and others.



New Jersey

New Jersey Agricultural Society

New Jersey based nonprofit organization that operates the Farmers Against Hunger Program to provide farmers the infrastructure and support to move surplus crops to food banks and food pantries. The website includes information for farmers and volunteers.

America's Grow a Row

New Jersey based nonprofit organization that organizes planting and harvesting of crops for donation and engages in grocery store gleaning of unwanted food for delivery to food desert areas throughout the state. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Table to Table

Northern NJ based nonprofit that recovers food unable to be sold from a variety of vendors and delivers food free of charge to needy communities in Bergen, Passaic, Hudson, and Essex counties. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Pennsylvania

The Gleaning Project

South Central PA based organization focused on food justice, community and sustainability. Delivers gleaned foods to food pantries and service agencies and encourages reduction of food waste by collecting from other food distributors. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers, food donors and agency partners as well as an extensive list of gleaning related resources.

Project Share

Carlisle, PA interfaith cooperative organization that organizes volunteer on-farm gleaning. The website includes information for volunteers, food and service recipients and food donors.

Second Harvest: Food Bank of Northwest Pennsylvania

Northwestern PA based nonprofit organization that partners with local farms to glean surplus crops for distribution to member agencies to reach the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients and food donors.

Rolling Harvest Food Rescue

Greater New Hope-Lambertville region based nonprofit organization that gleans food from farms and farmers' markets for distribution to hunger-relief agencies like food pantries. The website includes information for volunteers, agency partners, farmers and others, as well as some information about the Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act.

Channels Food Rescue

South Central PA nonprofit organization recovering food from grocery stores, food distribution companies and other businesses for distribution to hunger relief organizations. The organization also manages a Plant-a-Row program. The website includes information for volunteers and donors.

Hidden Harvest Pittsburgh

Pittsburgh, PA based nonprofit organization that encourages reducing food waste and increasing food security through gleaning of fruit and nut trees for donation to local food organizations and groups. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

Philabundance

Delaware Valley based nonprofit organization that runs a gleaning program to reduce food waste through field gleaning and encouraging local gardeners to share their harvest. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Great Pittsburgh Community Food Bank

Greater Pittsburgh area based nonprofit organization that partners with local farms to glean surplus produce, which is distributed to member agencies or individuals at designated locations. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.



Virginia

Plenty!

Floyd County, VA based nonprofit organization that operates a farm which grows directly for donation where volunteers can glean in addition to other partnering farms for delivery to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients and donors.

Arlington Food Assistance Center

Arlington County, VA based nonprofit organization that operates extensive food recovery and education programs including on farm gleaning, retrieving surplus produce from farmers markets, bagging, distribution, and health education classes. The website provides information for volunteers, farmers, donors, recipients, and others.

Food for Others

Northern Virginia based nonprofit organization that recovers food from grocery stores, food drives, and crop harvests. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Gleaning Program, Department of General Services, City of Alexandria, Virginia

Alexandria, VA's General Services Department runs a gleaning program that gleans surplus produce from the Old Town Farmers Market and distributes the food to needy communities. The site includes information for volunteers.

Food Bus, Inc.

Arlington, VA based nonprofit organization focused on recovering food from elementary school cafeterias and redirecting it to the food insecure.

William & Mary Gleaning Club

William and Mary College student interest group that gleans from local farms and gardeners for donation to hunger relief agencies and Campus Kitchens.



West Virginia

Morgantown Farmers Market

Morgantown, WV farmers market that works with local groups to glean leftover foods at the end of each market day for distribution to a local charitable relief organization. The website includes information for volunteers and others.



Southeast Region: AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN

Regional

Bay Area Food Bank

This nonprofit services areas of Alabama, Florida and Mississippi. Their gleaning program harvests, packs and transports produce to partner agencies. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.





Alabama

Magic City Harvest

Greater Birmingham, AL based nonprofit organization that recovers perishable food for distribution to the food insecure through local nonprofit hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for donors and others.



Florida

Florida Association of Food Banks

Florida based nonprofit association that encompasses Florida's 13 Feeding America affiliated Regional Distribution Centers. The Association's programs include Farmers Feeding Florida, which redistributes "unmarketable" foods to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients, and donors.

Suncoast Gleaning Project

Sarasota, FL based nonprofit organization that runs the Suncoast Gleaning Project which harvests surplus produce from local farms for the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers, food recipients and donors.

CROS Ministries Gleaning Program

Palm Beach and Marin County, FL based nonprofit organization that runs a gleaning program to glean surplus produce from local farms for distribution to the food insecure through the Palm Beach County Food Bank. The website includes information for volunteers and others.



Georgia

Atlanta Community Food Bank

Atlanta, GA based nonprofit organization that runs Atlanta's Table, which recovers prepared food from restaurants, caterers, corporate dining rooms, hotels, convention centers, special events and other food service providers for distribution to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers and donors.

Concrete Jungle

Atlanta, GA based organization that gleans fruit and nuts from trees throughout Atlanta and distributes to the food insecure through its partner organizations. The website includes information for volunteers and donors.



Kentucky

GleanKY

Fayette County, KY based nonprofit organization that runs gleaning operations to collect surplus food from farms, farmers markets, and grocery stores for delivery to partner recipient organizations throughout the state. The website includes information for volunteers and donors.

Kentucky Association of Food Banks

Kentucky based nonprofit association of food banks, pantries, and shelters that redistributes surplus crops and unmarketable foods bought below market value for free to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Kentucky Interfaith Power and Light

Louisville, KY based organization that runs Harvesting Hands, which gleans surplus produce from farmers markets and farms. The website includes information for volunteers and others.



North Carolina

Inter-Faith Food Shuttle

Greater Triangle, NC area nonprofit organization that glean from farms and recovers surplus food from grocery stores for distribution directly to food insecure families. Other food programs include nutrition, culinary, and agriculture training. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients and others.

Haywood Gleaners

Haywood County, NC organization that operates a gleaning program which includes on farm gleaning, light processing, and distribution to local charitable organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers, and donors.



South Carolina

Fields to Families

Charlestown, SC nonprofit that conducts on-farm gleaning and distributes food to food pantries, shelters, soup kitchens and like organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and partner organizations.

Charleston Kosher Food Pantry

Charleston, SC based nonprofit food bank that organizes gleaning activities and distributes food through their food bank and other partner organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, food and service recipients, donors and others.



Tennessee

Second Harvest Food Bank of East Tennessee

East Tennessee based nonprofit organization that runs the Food Rescue program, which recovers prepared and fresh food from restaurants, schools, grocery stores, farms, and local growers for distribution to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, corporate partners and others.



Midwest Region: IN, IL, MI, MN, OH, WI



Indiana



Indiana's State Association of Food Banks

The statewide nonprofit is a network of 11 Feeding America food banks serving the entire state. Partners include Indiana Pork Producers, Indiana Soybean Alliance, Indiana's Family of Farmers and the Indiana Vegetable Growers Association. Website includes information for volunteers, food recipients, partners and others.

Hoosier Hills Food Bank

The Bloomington, IN based nonprofit's Gleaning and Garden programs work with local farmers to harvest surplus crops and grows its own produce, all for distribution to the food insecure through hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, food recipients and others.

Indy Hunger Network

The Indianapolis nonprofit is a coalition of private and public hunger relief organizations and volunteers. Their Glean Team local farmers and the Indy Urban Acres to rescue and distribute excess food to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients and others.

Community Keepers

The 501(c)(3) nonprofit in Palatine, IN partners with restaurants, grocery stores, and other organizations collect and distribute food and services to those in need. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

Michigan

Heartside Gleaning Initiative

Grand Rapids, MI-based initiative that works with businesses, non-profits, farmers markets and others to collect and distribute fruit, vegetables, and herbs to those in need. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan

Detroit, MI based nonprofit organization that gleans produce from local farms and gardens, and recovers surplus food from grocery stores, producers, and others. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients, donors and others.

West Michigan Food Bank

West Michigan-based Feeding America nonprofit that runs a Food Bank Farm, organizes gleaning activities and collects surplus food from other sources. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food recipients.

Food Gatherers

Ann Arbor, MI based nonprofit that rescues food from more than 300 local sources including food retailers, restaurants and wholesale venues, as well as runs a food bank farm. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food recipients.

Greater Lansing Food Bank

Lansing, MI based nonprofit that serves multiple Michigan counties. The organization runs The Garden Project, which established and supports 90 community gardens and The Food Movers Program, which rescues food from restaurants and commercial kitchens for distribution through hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Food Bank Council of Michigan

Lansing, MI based nonprofit that collects food and funds to support Michigan food banks. The organization manages the Michigan Agricultural Surplus System, funded by the state Department of Agriculture, which salvages unmarketable food and surplus crops for distribution through the food bank network. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, food recipients and others.



Minnesota

The Minnesota Project

Saint Paul, MN based nonprofit that runs Fruits of the City, which captures fresh fruit from registered trees in the Twin Cities region and from community gardens and redistributes it to the food insecure. The organization also

administers the Garden Gleaning Program, which partners with gardeners, farmers' markets and food shelves to encourage harvesting for donation. The website includes information for food recipients and donors.

Gardening Matters

Minneapolis-based nonprofit that provides training and services that encourage community gardens across the Twin Cities region. In partnership with The Minnesota Project, the Garden Gleaning Project supports community gardens in donating produce to local food shelves. The website includes information for volunteers and gardeners.

Second Harvest Heartland

With locations in Saint Paul and Golden Valley, MN, the nonprofit is a Feeding America food bank. Through their Share Fresh Minnesota program excess harvest is collected from local farms and distributed to hunger relief organizations. Additionally, their Food Rescue program partners with 350 grocery retailers and delivers recovered food to food pantries and shelves and shelters. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food and service recipients.

Mill City Gleaning

Minneapolis, MN based nonprofit that runs the Mill City Farmers' Market, which partners with the Campus Kitchen, collect excess harvest from the market and distribute to residents of the Cedar Riverside neighborhood. Rescued produce is also used in Campus Kitchen's nutritious cooking classes. The website includes information for growers, vendors and market sponsors.



Ohio

Our City in a Garden

Toledo, OH based organization that runs the Northwest Ohio Gleaning Project, which gleans from local farms and recovers surplus food from food processors for distribution through their partner organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers, food producers, student gleaners and others.

Community Harvest of Stark County

Stark County, OH nonprofit organization recovering prepared and perishable foods from restaurants, hospitals and other food outlets for distribution in shelters, soup kitchens and other hot-meal distribution organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

Ohio Association of Food Banks

Ohio based nonprofit association that operates the Ohio Agricultural Clearance Program, which works with the Ohio Department of Job and Family Services to purchase surplus crops and "unmarketable" foods for distribution through their network of food banks. The website includes information for volunteers and others

Center for Innovative Food Technology

Toledo, OH based organization that operates a Grow a Row program drawing crop donations from large farms and small gardeners. The website includes information for growers and food industry members.

Seagate Foodbank of Northwest Ohio

Toledo, OH based nonprofit organization that shares surplus donated products with surrounding counties and operates a gleaning program in partnership with other area organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Washington County Harvest of Hope

Mid-Ohio Valley based nonprofit organization working on food rescue and recovery that performs field and garden gleaning for distribution to local food pantries. The website includes information for volunteers, and donors.

Community Food Initiatives

Athens County, OH based organization that receives food donations from farmers markets and local gardeners for distribution to food pantries and other like organizations. The website includes information for volunteers and members.

Mid-Ohio Food Bank

Mid-Ohio based nonprofit organization that sources, procures, processes and delivers food and grocery products from a variety of sources for distribution to hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, advocates, donors and food recipients.



Wisconsin

Glean Central Wisconsin

Plover, WI organization that serves as a network of volunteers, organizations and farmers collecting donated food from the Stevens Point Farmers Market. The website includes information for volunteers and farmers.

Community Action Coalition for South Central Wisconsin, Inc.

South Central WI nonprofit that serves three counties; formerly Wisconsin Harvest They recover food from grocery stores, restaurants, and other food distributors. Food is then distributed at no cost to senior centers, shelters, community centers, soup kitchens and low-income housing complexes. The website has information for volunteers, food and service recipients and others.

Glean Milwaukee

Milwaukee, WI based organization that registers trees on private and public property for fruit gleaning. The organization also gleans a range of produce from Milwaukee-area farmers' markets. The website includes information for volunteers, homeowners (for tree registration) and others.

Everybody Works! Gleaning Program

Viroqua, WI based nonprofit that provides meaningful employment opportunities for individuals with disabilities. The Gleaning Program harvests surplus produce from local farms for donation to food pantries. They also continue the work of Kickapoo Harvest with cooking demonstrations by the Food and Farming Initiative of the Valley Stewardship Network. The website includes information for donors and others.

Tikkun Ha-ir of Milwaukee

Milwaukee, WI based nonprofit whose Surplus Harvest Milwaukee program recovers produce from individuals, farmers' markets, and home gardens and orchards and distributes the food to food shelves and pantries, shelters, and other service organizations. Website includes information for community members and donors.

Valley Stewardship Network

Viroqua, WI nonprofit that is based in the Kickapoo Valley and focused on sustainability, economic viability and locally sourced food. Their Food and Farm Initiative's gleaning project organizes the pickup and transport of donated excess produce. The website includes information for donors and advocates.



Mountain Plains Region: CO, IA, KS, MO, MT, ND, NE, SD, UT, WY





Colorado

We Don't Waste

Denver, CO based nonprofit organization that recovers food from restaurants, caterers, and other food purveyors for distribution to service-minded organizations serving the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, partner organizations and others.

Slow Food Denver

The Denver, CO based nonprofit that gleans and cans surplus fruit from local trees; incorporating instruction in making jams and jellies. Often volunteers take home fruit products while the rest are donated to a local nonprofit. The website includes information for volunteers and members.

Boulder Food Rescue

Boulder, CO based nonprofit that runs programs including Community Fruit Rescue and the Food Rescue Alliance. Community Fruit Rescue encourages residents to engage in urban gleaning, while the Food Rescue Alliance works to increase food recovery and decrease food waste throughout the Rocky Mountain region and the country. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food recovery advocates.

The Growing Project

Fort Collins, CO based nonprofit that promotes local food systems and food security through agricultural advocacy, education and experiences. Their Food Finders program works with a network of farms, groceries, gardeners and others to pick up excess produce and redistribute to hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for donors, volunteers, members and the community.

Colorado Springs Food Rescue

Colorado Springs, CO based food rescue nonprofit that recovers fresh produce and prepared foods and baked goods. Volunteers pick up food using bicycles and bike trailers and delivers it to a hunger relief organization. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food recuse advocates.

Denver Food Rescue

Denver, CO based nonprofit that does 75% of food deliveries by bicycle. The organization redistributes food from grocery stores to hunger relief organizations serving low-income areas. The website includes information for donors and volunteers.

La Puente Food Bank Network

San Luis Valley based nonprofit that provides food, shelter and services to members of the Valley. The Food Bank Network connects the Valley's 13 food banks, and their gleaning program gleans excess produce from local farms for the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, growers and donors.

Bear Smart Durango Fruit Gleaning Program

Durango, CO, nonprofit that partners with Healthy Community Food Systems, FLC Environmental Center, and Colorado State University Extension on their Fruit Gleaning Hub. The Hub is an online platform for fruit seekers to connect with fruit growers with excess harvest. The website includes information for growers and harvesters.

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Food at First

Ames, IA nonprofit that rescues food from vendors like Walmart, Sam's Club and gleans from local farms for donation to local food pantries. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, food recipients and others.

Table to Table

Iowa City, IA nonprofit that collects wholesome foods from a variety of donors for distribution to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and partners.



Kansas

Lawrence Fruit Tree Project

Lawrence, KS nonprofit that provides education and assistance in growing perennial food plants and encourages donation of harvests. Rather than conduct its own gleaning work, the organization focuses on encouraging individual and community efforts.



Missouri

After the Harvest

Kansas City, MO based nonprofit that gleans from farms in Missouri and Kansas, recovering crops left behind by mechanical pickers. Food is distributed to local hunger relief organizations. They also recover unmarketable "already picked and packed" produce from commercial farms, grocery stores and produce packers for donation to local food banks. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers, food banks and other hunger relief agencies.

Ozarks Food Harvest: The Food Bank

Springfield, MO food bank that runs Full Circle Gardens, a fresh produce rescue program working in donors' fields and gardens, assisting beginning growers, and providing community partners with financial support. The food bank's Glean Team works to reduce food waste by gleaning from local farms. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food systems advocates.

Episcopal Community Services

Kansas City, MO 501(c)(3) nonprofit that works in both Missouri and Kansas to provide hunger relief. They rescue unsold food from grocery stores and glean from local farms with After the Harvest. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

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Montana

Great Bear Foundation

Missoula, MT 501(c)(3) nonprofit that runs the Bears and Apples program, which gleans fruit from residential fruit trees. Most of the fruit is donated to the Missoula Food Bank, and the gleaning activity reduces the likelihood that bears will come into residential areas looking for food. The website includes information for volunteers, members and others.



Nebraska

Food Bank for the Heartland

Omaha, NE nonprofit that collects surplus produce, meats, and shelf-stable foods from participating farms and food distributors for donation to 225 food pantries, shelters and nonprofit partners. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, partner organizations, farmers and food recipients.



Utah

SLCGreen Fruit Share

Salt Lake City, UT government initiative. This program allows homeowners to register their fruit trees for harvest through their Green Urban Lunch Box program. The harvest is split between homeowners, volunteers and hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, homeowners and others.



Wyoming

Hole Food Rescue

Jackson Hole, WY based food rescue program that works through the Jackson Hole Cupboard to relocate food waste from local distributors to to hunger relief community groups. Food suitable for compost is sent to two local farms and integrated into their animal production systems. The website includes information for volunteers.



SOUTHWEST REGION: AR, LA, OK, NM, TX





Arkansas

Arkansas Hunger Relief Alliance

Little Rock, AK based nonprofit that partners with the Society of St. Andrew on a statewide gleaning project. Crops gleaned from fields and orchards are distributed to food banks, pantries, soup kitchens, and shelters and their Grow a Row program encourages urban farmers to donate to their communities. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers, donors and others.

Louisiana

New Orleans Fruit Tree Project

New Orleans, LA based organization that plans gleaning operations from owner-registered fruit trees in the city and encourages the planting to fruit trees for gleaning. The website includes information for volunteers, tree owners and registrants, donors and others.

Second Harvest Food Bank

New Orleans, LA nonprofit that provides food to 474 partner organizations across 23 parishes. The organization coordinates gleaning, packing and transportation of citrus fruit from local farms. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food recipients.



New Mexico

Roadrunner Food Bank of New Mexico

This nonprofit has locations in Albuquerque and Las Cruces, NM, and works with Seed2Seed to glean surplus produce from local farmers, gardeners and others. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and partner agencies.

Seed2Seed

Corrales, NM based nonprofit that collaborates with the Sandoval County Master Gardeners and many others to plant produce gardens and engages in orchard gleaning for donation to local food pantries and soup kitchens. The website includes information for volunteers, sponsors and others.

New Mexico Association of Food Banks

Albuquerque, NM nonprofit that acquires and distributes fresh produce to its partner member food banks. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, food recipients and others.



Texas

The Gleaning Network of Texas

Dallas, TX nonprofit engaged in on-farm gleaning and distribution to hunger relief agencies. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients, donors and others.

Keep Austin Fed

Austin, TX based nonprofit organization engaged in food recovery from commercial kitchens for distribution to hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, recipient organizations, donors and others.

Houston Fresh Fruit & Vegetable Association

Houston, TX based organization that runs The Gift of Produce, a program supplying donated produce to the food insecure during the holidays. The website includes information for donors and others.

Helping Hands Gleaning Ministry

Desoto, TX based 501(c)(3) nonprofit that gleans from local farms and distributes food to pantries, shelters, housing authorities and senior centers throughout southern Dallas County. The website includes information for volunteers.

San Antonio Food Bank

San Antonio, TX based nonprofit that runs the Fresh Produce Program, which rescues and distributes food across 16 counties. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, corporate and partner agencies, food recipients and advocates.

San Antonio Fruit Tree Project

San Antonio, TX based organization that gleans from residential fruit trees and donates the harvest to the San Antonio Food Bank. The website includes information for volunteers and homeowners.



Western Region: AK, AZ, CA, HI, ID, NV, OR, WA





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Tuscon, AZ based nonprofit organization that operates a gleaning program for inter-generational African, Asian and Middle Eastern refugees to glean backyards and farms with local volunteers. Gleaned foods are distributed to hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

Association of Arizona Food Banks

Phoenix, AZ based nonprofit association working on the Arizona Statewide Gleaning Project, which gleans and distributes surplus food to food banks throughout the state. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients, donors and others.



Community Food Bank of Southern Arizona

Tucson, AZ based nonprofit that organizes produce gleaning activities from local farms, homes, schools, and the University of Arizona. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

St. Mary's Food Bank Alliance

Phoenix, AZ nonprofit that runs a seasonal citrus gleaning program and accepts fruit donations. Website includes information for volunteers, advocates, corporate partners, and food recipients.



California

FOOD Share

Ventura County, CA based nonprofit that runs a gleaning program encouraging on-farm and backyard gleaning and distributes the food through partner organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Ag Against Hunger

Salinas, CA based organization that recovers surplus crops and food from farmers and food shippers for distribution to food banks and like organizations. The website includes information for volunteers and donors.

Farm to Pantry

Sonoma County, CA organization that engages in on-farm gleaning across Sonoma County for distribution to local charitable organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Hidden Harvest

Coachella, CA based nonprofit organization that has been deemed a "blue chip investment" because of its program that employs the working poor at a liveable wage to glean from local farms and orchards for distribution to needy seniors, children, after school programs, food banks, and pantries. The website provides information for donors, food recipients, and others.

Gleanings for the Hungry

Sultana, CA nonprofit Christian organization that dries fruit, repackages food and creates soup mixes from donated dehydrated ingredients. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, religious groups, and others.

Food Forward

Los Angeles, CA based nonprofit organization that plans gleanings from farmers' markets, farmers, wholesale markets and other venues for distribution to local hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, property owners, donors and others.

L.A. Kitchen

Los Angeles, CA based nonprofit organization that works with farmers and wholesalers to rescue produce which they process in their food hub for distribution to social services agencies around Los Angeles. The organization uses a social enterprise model that involves culinary job training. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

California Association of Food Banks

California based nonprofit association that runs a Farm to Family program which works with farmers to ship surplus food to member food banks for distribution to hunger relief organizations around the state. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and advocates.

North Berkeley Harvest

North Berkeley, CA based organization that gleans fruit from neighborhood trees. The website includes information for volunteers and tree owners.

Spiral Gardens

Southwest Berkeley, CA based nonprofit organization that runs a Community Harvest Project to help homeowners and community members glean fruit from private and community grounds. The website includes information for volunteers and homeowners.

Pueblo

Oakland, CA based nonprofit organization that has an Urban Youth Harvest program which partners with Cycles of Change to help volunteers bicycle to backyard fruit tree sites to glean, then deliver the fruit to senior centers and residences. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Forage Oakland

North Oakland, CA based community fruit barter network that gleans from backyard fruit trees and redistributes among community neighbors. The website includes information for collaborators and fruit recipients.

Village Harvest

San Francisco, CA based nonprofit organization that gleans from backyard fruit trees and community orchards for delivery to local hunger relief organizations. The site includes information for volunteers and tree owners.

The Berkeley Gleaners

Berkeley, CA area group that gleans unwanted fruit from community residents for distribution to hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors, and property owners.

GleanSLO

San Luis Obispo, CA based organization that gleans from farms, fields and orchards that have registered with their organization. Gleaned foods are redistributed to the food insecure through the Food Bank Coalition. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Soil Born Farms

Sacramento, CA based nonprofit that runs Harvest Sacramento, a collaborates with residents, nonprofits and community groups to harvest surplus produce from backyard gardens and donates to local hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, food recipients and others.

Harvest Club of Orange County

Santa Ana, CA based organization that gleans produce from backyard gardens in Orange County for donation to hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers and donors.

Sonoma Valley Gleaning Project

Developed by nonprofit Trinity Episcopal Church in Sonoma, CA, the gleaning project recovers surplus produce and delivers it to Sonoma area hunger relief programs. The website includes information for volunteers and others.

Alameda Backyard Growers

Alameda, CA based nonprofit that maintains a network of gardeners who share information and resources and donate surplus produce to Alameda Food Bank. The website includes information for volunteers, gardeners and donors.

Petaluma Bounty

Petaluma, CA based nonprofit that runs Bounty Hunters, which gleans surplus food from backyard gardens, farms and other venues and distributes it to food pantries, senior centers and others. Other programs include their educational urban farm Bounty Farm. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food recipients.

SoCal Harvest

Long Beach, CA based nonprofit that gleans backyard produce and fruit for donation to food pantries. The website includes information for food donors, volunteers and others.

Backyard Bounty

Santa Barbara, CA based nonprofit that is part of the Foodbank of Santa Barbara County, and connects backyard growers with volunteer gleaners, who harvest their surplus produce. The harvest is distributed among the

organization's 300 partner agencies. The website includes information for volunteers, crop donors and others.

Food Rescue

Vallejo, CA based organization that recovers food from the Vallejo Farmers' Market. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and the community.

The Urban Farmers

San Francisco, CA based 501(c)(3) nonprofit that harvests backyard plants fruit trees and harvests fruit to reduce food insecurity. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, community members and food recipients.

Center for Human Services

Modesto, CA based nonprofit that runs the Harvesting Futures program, which combines youth development and education with harvesting fruit from backyard orchards and farms. The fruit is distributed to area food banks. The website includes information for donors, volunteers and food and service recipients.

Growing Together

San Francisco Bay, CA based nonprofit that runs Oakland Fruit, which gleanings from backyard fruit trees. A portion of the harvest is donated to hunger relief organizations and a portion is used to generate income the organization uses to plant fruit trees. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and community members.

Harvest CROPS: Community Residents Offering Produce Seasonally San Diego, CA based 501(c)(3) nonprofit that harvests from residential fruit sources for donation to the food insecure. The website provides information for volunteers, donors and community members.

San Francisco Public Works: Urban Harvesting Program

The Public Works Dept. of San Francisco, CA works with residents and businesses recover and distribute locally grown produce. Food is distributed to area food banks and other hunger relief organizations. Homeowners who register their trees receive supplies and support for harvesting and donating. The website includes information for homeowners and community members.

Stanford Gleaning Project

The Stanford University student group harvests fruit from campus trees for donation to local hunger relief organizations and service agencies. The website includes information for volunteers and advocates.

The Food Bank for Humboldt County

Eureka, CA based nonprofit that gleans through their Local Food Resources Program. Surplus food is recovered from 49 local farms, ranches and orchards for distribution to the food insecure, and homeowners can register their fruit trees for harvest. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food recipients.

Santa Cruz Fruit Tree Project

Santa Cruz, CA based organization that runs a Backyard Harvest Program and a Fruit Sharing Network, which connect residents with fruit trees to volunteer gleaners. The harvest is split between volunteers and hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and community members.

Veggie Rescue

Santa Ynez, CA nonprofit that gleans produce from farms, farmers' markets, gardens and orchards and delivers to hunger relief and school lunch programs. The organization serves Santa Barbara, Santa Ynez and Santa Maria. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and community members.

Peninsula Food Runners

San Francisco, CA based nonprofit that works to reduce food insecurity in San Mateo and Santa Clara counties. The organization picks up surplus food from restaurants, wholesalers, bakeries, and other vendors and delivers it to food shelters and other organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and recipient organizations.

Produce to the People

San Francisco, CA based nonprofit that runs the Backyard Harvest Project gleans surplus produce from residential trees and distributes to local hunger relief and service organizations. Homeowners can register fruit trees and gardens for harvest. The website includes information for homeowners and community members.

Food Runners

San Francisco Bay, CA based nonprofit that collects perishable and prepared food from restaurants, hospitals, caterers and others and delivers it directly to local hunger relief programs. The website includes information for food donors, volunteers and community members.

CropSwap San Diego

San Diego, CA based organization that partners with Feeding America to support their citrus gleaning throughout North San Diego County. The website includes information for volunteers, fruit donors and community members.

Harvest Fairvale

The Fairvale, CA based organization that gleans fruit trees and donates the harvest to local hunger relief agencies. The organization also works with Harvest Sacramento. The website includes information for volunteers and partner organizations.

The Backyard Produce Project

San Diego, CA based organization that sets up donation sites where residents can drop off produce, organizes fruit tree gleaning activities and runs an organic orchard and garden. Produce is donated to the Friends and Family Community Connection and The Connection Church. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and community members.



GoGlean

Honolulu, HI based community fruit sharing project that encourages connections between consumers and growers with excess fruit. The website includes information for fruit growers, seekers and community members.

Aloha Harvest

Honolulu, HI nonprofit that rescues food from restaurants, hotels, government facilities and others and delivers it to hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for partners and recipient agencies.

One Island Sustainable Living Center

With locations in Honaunau and Kapa 'au, HI, the nonprofit's No Fruit Left Behind program gleans from area farms and gardens. Half the harvest goes to the host farm, and half is placed into the local food system or sold at farmers' markets. The website includes information for community members.



Idaho

Peaceful Belly Farm

Garden City, ID based nonprofit that started Glean for the Idaho Food Bank, which delivers gleaned food to the food bank. The website includes information for volunteers and donors.

The Idaho Foodbank

Idaho based nonprofit food bank that works with the State Department of Corrections and volunteer farms to grow produce for food insecure communities. The website includes information for volunteers, food recipients and donors.

Backyard Harvest

Moscow, ID based nonprofit organization whose volunteers donate backyard produce like garden surplus and fruit for low-income families and seniors. The website includes information for donors, food recipients and volunteers.

Western Idaho Community Action Partnership, Inc.

Payette, ID based nonprofit that serves the food insecure at their Community Action Centers and organizes gleaning activities. The largest gleaning project, in Canyon County, works with local farmers to glean produce. The website includes information for volunteers and food and service recipients.

Trinity Community Gardens

Canyon County, ID based nonprofit that grows produce for donation to the food insecure. The website includes information for volunteers and community members.



Nevada

Reno Gleaning Project

Reno, NV based organization that conducts urban and suburban gleaning of surplus produce and donates it to the Hands of Hope food bank. The website includes information for community members.

Gold Country Gleaners

Nevada County, NV based organization that gleans produce from backyard gardens and delivers it to local hunger relief organizations, including the Food Bank of Nevada County and others. Website includes information for volunteers and others.



Oregon

Oregon Food Bank

Portland, OR based nonprofit food bank that runs The Portland Fruit Tree Project where volunteers of all income levels harvest from backyard fruit trees and donates half of all gleaned product to food pantries with the other half going to volunteers and their families. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

Urban Gleaners

Portland, OR based nonprofit organization that redirects surplus food from farms, restaurants, grocery stores and other food producers to schools, hunger relief agencies and free farmers markets. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

Portland Fruit Tree Project

Portland, OR based nonprofit that gleans from registered fruit trees for distribution to food pantries and among volunteers. The website includes information for volunteers, tree owners, donors and others.

Fork it Over

Oregon based education and referral service that provides information on food rescue organizations to match donors with nearby food rescue agencies.

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon

Portland, OR based statewide association of Christian denominations, congregations, ecumenical organizations and interfaith partners that runs an Interfaith Food and Farm Partnerships program which operates projects including buying clubs, cooking classes, CSAs, community gardens, farm stands, and food and wellness assessments. The website includes information for volunteers, members, donors and others.

Linn Benton Food Share, Community Services Consortium

Linn and Benton County, OR based nonprofit that forms part of the Community Services Consortium, which partners with 14 gleaning organizations that conduct field and market gleaning, including collecting fireplace wood for those who depend on wood-based heating. The website includes information for volunteers and others

Salem Harvest

Salem, OR based nonprofit that gleans produce from farmers and backyard growers for donation to the Marion-Polk Food Share and other pantries. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and others.

Spiral Living Center

Cave Junction, OR 501(c)(3) nonprofit that gleans produce from farms throughout the Illinois Valley and splits the harvest among volunteers and hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for members and others.

Eugene Food Rescue

Eugene, OR based justice organization that engages in food rescue and distribution throughout the greater Eugene area. The website includes information for volunteers and organizers.

B-Line: Sustainable Urban Delivery

Portland, OR based transportation company that runs the B-Share Program, in which individuals, groups or companies buy a "share" and B-Line delivers 40 meals to hunger relief organizations in the greater Portland area. B-Line also accepts donations of surplus food to the B-Share program. The website includes information for partners and others.

Gleaners of Clackamas County

Oregon City, OR 501(c)(3) nonprofit that recovers food and other items for low-income, elderly and disabled community members. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and community members.

The Gleaning Network of Southern Oregon

Central Point, OR 501(c)(3) nonprofit that partners with local organizations to rescue food and feed over 210 families. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and partner organizations.

Eugene Area Gleaners

Eugene, OR based organization that gleans from private and public lands and buys unmarketable food at a discount rate. All recovered food is split with the landowner or donated to Food for Lane County. The website includes information for volunteers, members and the community.

Farmers Ending Hunger

Salem, OR based nonprofit that supports farmers in donating an acre or so of their crop for the food insecure. Half of donated crops are processed into canned vegetables or grain mixes and half is donated fresh to the Oregon Food Bank. The website includes information for volunteers, farmers and ranchers, food processors and community members.

Marion-Polk Food Share

Salem, OR based nonprofit that partners with local grocery stores to recover perishable food and distribute it among their nearly 100 member service charities. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and food recipients.

Lebanon Gleaners

Lebanon, OR based nonprofit that harvests surplus crops and food as part of their Lebanon Gleaners program. The website includes information for members, donors and volunteers.

Philomath Community Gleaners

Philomath, OR based nonprofit works with local donors to recover food and firewood for low-income community members. Food is donated to three local food banks and other hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers and community members.

Tualatin Valley Gleaners

Beaverton, OR based nonprofit that is made up of low-income members of the greater Washington County area. The organization engages in field and urban gleaning to reduce food insecurity. The website includes information for volunteers, partners, members, and the community.



Washington

Rotary First Harvest

Seattle, WA based nonprofit that runs Harvest Against Hunger, an AmeriCorps program engaging in on-farm gleaning. The website includes information for AmeriCorps, volunteers, donors and others.

Bellingham Food Bank

Bellingham, WA based food bank that operates the Small Potatoes Gleaning Project which rescues produce from local farms for delivery to food banks throughout Whatcom County. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

City Fruit

Seattle, WA based nonprofit focused on preserving fruit trees and orchards, increasing education around tree care and the ability of communities to harvest fruit, and providing fresh fruit to those who need it. The website includes information for volunteers, tree owners, donors and others.

Spokane Edible Tree Project

Spokane, WA based organization that offers education in tree care and resource recovery and engages in backyard fruit gleaning. The website includes information for volunteers and tree owners.

Northwest Harvest

Washington's only statewide nonprofit food bank distributor. Their Growing Connections program is a resource for supporting farm-to-food bank strategies. The website includes information for volunteers, donors, hunger relief programs and advocates.

Harvest Pierce County Gleaning Project

Managed by Pierce County, WA county government, the gleaning program works with local farmers to organize gleans of surplus or unmarketable crops. The program also gleans from Pierce County farmers' markets. The website includes information for volunteers, crop donors and others.

Cascade Gleaning Association

Snohomish, WA based nonprofit that works with local grocery stores, farms, restaurants and other food industry members glean perishable and shelf-stable foods for distribution to the food insecure through local food banks. The website includes information for members and others.

Fields of Grace

Richmond, WA based nonprofit that gleans produce from local farms, then packs and delivers the harvest to area food banks. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and community members.

Evergreen Food and Goods Rescue

The Puget Sound, WA based nonprofit organizes field gleans and rescues food from wholesalers, retailers and other food distributors. Collected food is distributed through food pantries, service and hunger relief organizations, shelters and senior centers. The website includes information for donors and members.

Providence N.E.W. Hunger Coalition

Coleville, WA based nonprofit that works throughout northwestern WA. Their Hunger Coalition Gleaning Groups harvest surplus produce for donation to area food banks. The website includes information for volunteers, food donors and food recipients.

Good Cheer Food Bank

Langley, WA based 501(c)(3) nonprofit that partners with the Gleeful Gleaners program to connect growers with surplus, pesticide-free fruit with those in need. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and others.

Kitsap Harvest

Kitsap, WA based organization that gleans from farms, farmers markets and pesticide-free fruit trees in private and community orchards. Recovered surplus food is distributed to the North and South Kitsap Food Banks and to free meal programs. The website includes information for volunteers, orchard owners and community members.

Hopelink

The nonprofit has six locations throughout WA. Formally called Sno-Valley Harvest, the organization works with local farms, community gardens, farmers' markets and growers to recover surplus produce for donation through Hopelink and other hunger relief organizations. The website includes information for volunteers, donors and community members.

