

Food Generators: Where to Donate Your Food

Who should donate their food?

Businesses that produce, sell, and serve food must arrange to recover and donate the maximum amount of edible food that would otherwise be thrown away. These businesses are classified as Tier 1 and Tier 2 food generators.

Food recovery organizations and services

Organizations accepting food donations can be found by visiting Fresno County’s food recovery web page at [Cleanupfresnocounty.com/food-recycling/commercial-edible-food-generators](https://cleanupfresnocounty.com/food-recycling/commercial-edible-food-generators). Connect with a Food Recovery Service to assist with establishing your food donation program.

Name	Address	Phone	Email	Website	Accepted Food	Serves	Information
Bulldog Pantry/ Lutheran Campus Ministry of Fresno	2311 E. Shaw Ave., Fresno, CA 93710	559.224.9052	thebulldogpantry@gmail.com	Thebulldogpantry.org	Non-perishable	Central California	Student-run food pantry
Butler’s Pantry	3542 E. Butler Ave., Fresno, CA 93702	559.268.0094	admin@butlerpcg.org	Butlerpcg.org	Non-perishable, unused fruits, vegetables and snacks	Central California	Food pantry partnered with Community Food Bank and elementary schools
Catholic Charities Diocese of Fresno	149 N. Fulton St., Fresno, CA 93701	559.237.0851	info@ccfoodbak.org	CCDOF.org	All accepted	Central California	Healthy neighborhood program. Food that does not meet CCDOF’s nutritional requirements (e.g. cakes, pastries and sugary drinks) are redistributed to partner organizations.
Central California Food Bank	4010 E. Amendola Dr., Fresno, CA 93725	559.237.3663	info@ccfoodbak.org	Ccfoodbank.org	All accepted	Central California	The largest food recovery organization serving Fresno County. Serves more than 280,000 people each month and provides food to 220+ partner agencies.
Fresno Asian Business Institute & Resource Center	2150 N. Fine Ave., Fresno, CA 93727	559.268.0839	info@fresnometmin.org	Fresnomission.org	Produce from local farmers	Central California	Asian-American business owners in Central California
Fresno SDA Community Services	422 E. Shields, Fresno, CA 93704	559.906.7232	office@fresnocentralsda.org	Fresnocentralca.adventischurch.org	Non-perishable, produce and prepared foods	Central California	Operates several food pantries.
Fresno Metro Ministry	3845 N. Clark St., Ste. 101, Fresno, CA 93726	559.259.3220	richard@fresnometmin.org	Fresnometmin.org	Non-perishable, produce and prepared foods	Central California	Transports food from donors to food distribution organizations.
Fresno Rescue Mission	263 G St., Fresno, CA 93706	559.259.3220	richard@fresnometmin.org	Fresnometmin.org	Non-perishable, perishable and pre-packaged foods	Central California	Accepts from individuals and businesses. Provides 3 meals a day at location.
Poverello House	412 F St., Fresno, CA 93706	559.498.6988	info@poverellohouse.org	Poverellohouse.org	Non-perishable, perishable and pre-packaged. Must have dates of expiration. No alcohol.	Central California	Receives from retail partners and freight carriers loads that were rejected from deliveries.
The Salvation Army of Fresno	1752 Fulton St., Fresno, CA 93721	559.233.0139	hollie.slater@usw.salvationarmy.org	Fresno.salvationarmy.org/fresno	Produce and shelf-stable	Central California	Accepts all foods

For assistance connecting with a local nonprofit, you can also visit [Careit.com](https://careit.com).



For additional questions about food donation requirements for Tier 1 and Tier 2 businesses, please call **559.259.3597** or email GMartinez-Calderon@RepublicServices.com.

What Type of Food Generator Am I?



Sustainability in Action

Tier 1 – Donation and tracking of food donations required effective January 1, 2022

- Supermarket
- Grocery store with a total facility size equal to or greater than 10,000 square feet
- Food service provider
- Food distributor
- Wholesale food vendor

Tier 2 – Donation and tracking of food donations required effective January 1, 2024

- Restaurant with 250 or more seats, or a total facility size equal to or greater than 5,000 square feet
- Hotel with an on-site food facility and 200 or more rooms
- Health facility with an on-site food facility and 100 or more beds
- Large event that charges admission or has 2,000 or more visitors per day
- Large venue that seats or serves 2,000 or more individuals per day
- A state agency with a cafeteria of 250 or more seats or a total cafeteria facility size equal to or greater than 5,000 sq. ft.
- Local education agency with an on-site food facility

What is required of my business?

If you are a Tier 1 or Tier 2 business, you must enter into a written agreement or contract with a food recovery service(s) or organization(s) to collect or receive your edible food. Maintain records of the following:

- Types of food donated
- Pounds donated per month
- Frequency of donations
- Name, address, and contact information of the contracted food recovery service(s) and/or organization(s)
- Businesses shall not intentionally spoil food that can be recovered
- Large venues or large event operators shall require food facilities operating on-site to comply with the food recovery requirements

If you are not a Tier 1 or Tier 2 business, you do not need to sign up for food donation. We encourage you to sign up for this optional service.



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