



Food Recovery Organization Required Reporting Notice

Dear Business Owner/Representative,

The County has identified your organization as a Food Recovery Organization with a contract or written agreement with a mandated food donor.

SB 1383 now requires food recovery organizations and services that have a contract or written agreement with a mandated food donor to maintain records of the food they receive from each mandated food donor. Food recovery organizations and services that participate in SB 1383 must also report the total pounds collected in the previous calendar year to the jurisdiction where their primary address is physically located. The jurisdiction will in turn report to CalRecycle the pounds collected to measure statewide progress toward achieving 20 percent edible food recovery goal.

Recovering surplus edible food to feed people became California law effective January 1, 2022. This effort will increase access to nutritious food for members of our community, while reducing waste and greenhouse gas emissions that are the result of food ending up in a landfill – California Landfills remain the third largest source of methane in the State.

What is Senate Bill 1383?

In 2016, Governor Brown signed Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383) to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, including methane from organic waste. SB 1383 sets goals for California businesses to reduce disposal of organic waste in the landfill, including recovering the maximum amount of surplus edible food for human consumption.

What does my organization need to do?

By January 1, 2024, all Food Recovery Organizations and food recovery services that contract with or have written agreements with commercial edible food generators will need to do the **ALL** of the following to comply with SB 1383 requirements:

Required to maintain a record of:

- Name, address, and contact details for each edible food generator the organization collects edible food from
- Quantity in pounds of edible food collected from each edible food generator per month
- Quantity in pounds of edible food transported to each food recovery organization per month

The County of Orange is available to support your efforts in meeting compliance with these new regulations. Visit OCLandfills.com/SB1383, call 714-834-4000 or email SB1383@ocwr.ocgov.com for detailed compliance information.