

# Tier One Commercial Edible Food Generator Webinar

October 7, 2021 at 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm held via ZOOM  
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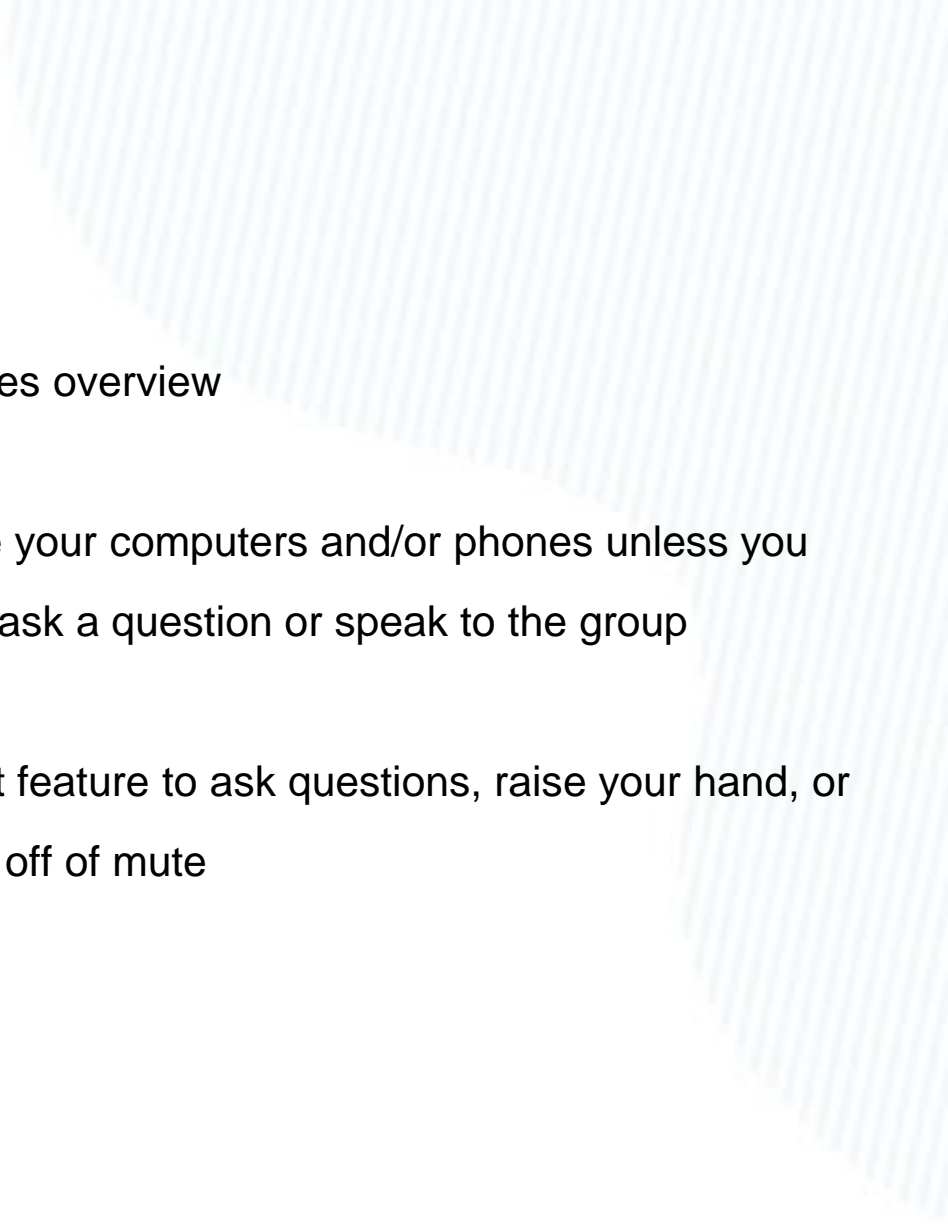
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# AGENDA

-Overview of SB1383 Edible Food Recovery

-Define the Tier 1 Generators

-Program Requirements

-County's Education Campaign

-Resources

# Overview

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In September 2016, Governor Brown signed into law SB1383 Short-Lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP): Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reductions.

This is a statewide effort to reduce methane emissions and impacts various sectors of California's economy. It establishes targets to achieve a 75% reduction in the level of the statewide disposal of organic waste from the 2014 levels by 2025.

Edible Food Recovery is one of the provisions of the State's Senate Bill to increase statewide edible food recovery to 20 percent. Edible food is defined as food that is safe for human consumption.

Edible Food Generators will be required to recover as much edible food as is practical from recycling and arrange to deliver it to food recovery organizations.

# Commercial Edible Food Generators

## Tier 1

January 1, 2022

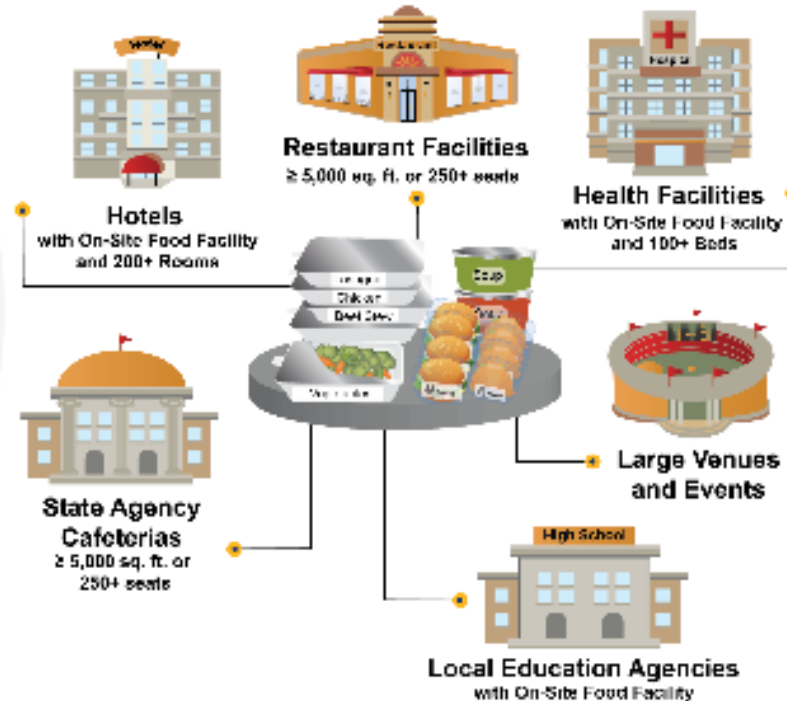
Tier one businesses typically have more produce, fresh grocery, and shelf-stable foods to donate.



## Tier 2

January 1, 2024

Tier two businesses typically have more prepared foods to donate, which often require more careful handling to meet food safety requirements (e.g. time and temperature controls).



-Grocery stores with a total facility size equal to or greater than 10,000 square feet.

-Supermarkets with revenue equal to or greater than \$2 million.

-Food service providers, wholesale food vendors, and food distributors.

In the Sacramento County Unincorporated area, approximately 135 Tier I Commercial Edible Food Generators have been identified.

~49 supermarkets  
~18 grocery stores  
~10 food service providers  
~58 food distributors and wholesalers

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# Tier 1 Generator - Program Requirements

January 1, 2022: Tier 1 Edible Food Generators will be required to have a program in place

Secure contracts or written agreements with Edible Food Recovery Services and/or Organizations to recover the maximum amount of edible food that would otherwise be recycled.

Maintain a list and copy of all Edible Food Recovery Services and/or Organization's contracts or agreements that collect or receives its edible food.

Maintain a record of the following for each contract or written agreement; 1) name, address, and contact information of the service or organization, 2) the types of food that will be collected by or self-hauled to the service or organization, 3) the established frequency that food will be collected or self-hauled, and 4) the pounds of food per month collected or self-hauled to a service or organization for food recovery.



# Safe Surplus Food Donation

Permitted food facilities such as restaurants, hotels, grocery stores, food processing facilities, food distributors, and caterers can donate prepared foods and meals (e.g. hot trays that remained back-of-house) to non-profit charitable organizations or individuals directly. Foods that have been previously served to a consumer cannot be donated.

**Q: How do we ensure the food is safe for distribution?**

A: It is important to maintain the foods that will be donated in the same safe manner in which you hold other foods intended to be sold. A toolkit for donation is available on the CalRecycle website at [https://phasocal.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Safe-Surplus-Food-Donation-Toolkit\\_Version-2\\_Jan-2018.pdf](https://phasocal.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Safe-Surplus-Food-Donation-Toolkit_Version-2_Jan-2018.pdf) for detailed information on how to handle foods to be donated safely.

**Q: Who can I contact if I have questions about donation?**

A: If you have any questions related to the safe donation of food, please contact Sacramento County Environmental Health at (916) 875-8440.





# County's Education Campaign

In the upcoming months, representatives of the County will contact you to:

- Discuss these new requirements
- Confirm that your business qualifies as a Tier One generator
- Ask questions related to your edible food generation and current recovery efforts
- Ask questions related to your challenges to maximizing food recovery
- Answer any questions you may have



# Resources

Sacramento County Edible Food Recovery Website

<https://wmr.saccounty.net/Pages/FoodRecovery.aspx>

CalRecycle Edible Food Recovery Website (includes Model Food Recovery Agreement)

<https://www.calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/foodrecovery/donors>

Safe Surplus Food Donation Guide and Toolkit

[https://phasocal.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Safe-Surplus-Food-Donation-BMPs-for-EH\\_Version-2\\_Jan-2018.pdf](https://phasocal.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/02/Safe-Surplus-Food-Donation-BMPs-for-EH_Version-2_Jan-2018.pdf)

California Food Bank Locator Tool

<https://www.cafoodbanks.org/our-members/>



# Questions?

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