



# Santa Clara County Food Recovery Program

Overview, Annual Reporting  
Results, Work to Date, &  
Next Steps



**Joint Venture**  
SILICON VALLEY

**SILICON VALLEY FOOD RECOVERY**



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## SB 1383 Goals

- By 2020, reduce **organic material** in landfills by **50%**
- By 2025, reduce **organic material** in landfills by **75%**
- By 2025, recover **20% of currently-disposed edible food** for human consumption.

# Who is Regulated?

## Tier 1

January 1, 2022

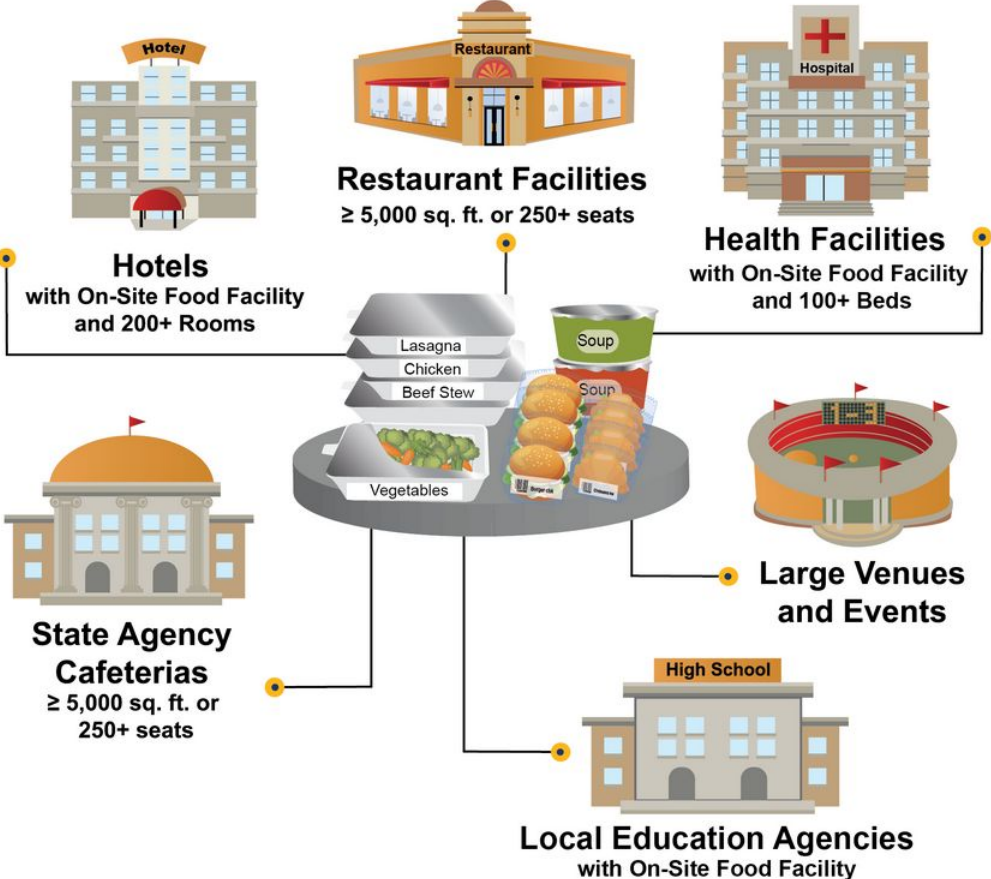
Tier one businesses typically have more produce, fresh grocery, and shelf-stable foods to donate.



## 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).



# Who is Regulated?

	Los Altos	Santa Clara County
<b>Tier 1 Entities</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>391</b>
<b>Tier 2 Entities</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1,768</b>
<b>Food Recovery Organizations/Services</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>54</b>



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## Unified Ordinance Approach



## Regular meetings:

- Subcommittees/Steering
- Bay Area SB 1383 food recovery implementation (six counties sharing strategies and best practices)



## Team:

- Supervising external resource teams (i.e. SCU Capstone, Climate Action Fellows)
- Hiring staff - Associate Director, Program Manager, and Outreach Fellow

## Ongoing Programmatic Functions

- ★ Plan for Food Recovery Capacity
- ★ Provide Education & Outreach
- ★ Collect & Analyze Reporting
- ★ Inspect & Monitor Compliance
- ★ Report Program Information to CalRecycle

(The Program manages all SB 1383 jurisdictional requirements up to enforcement. Jurisdictions manage enforcement, with support from the Program.)



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# SCCfoodrecovery.org



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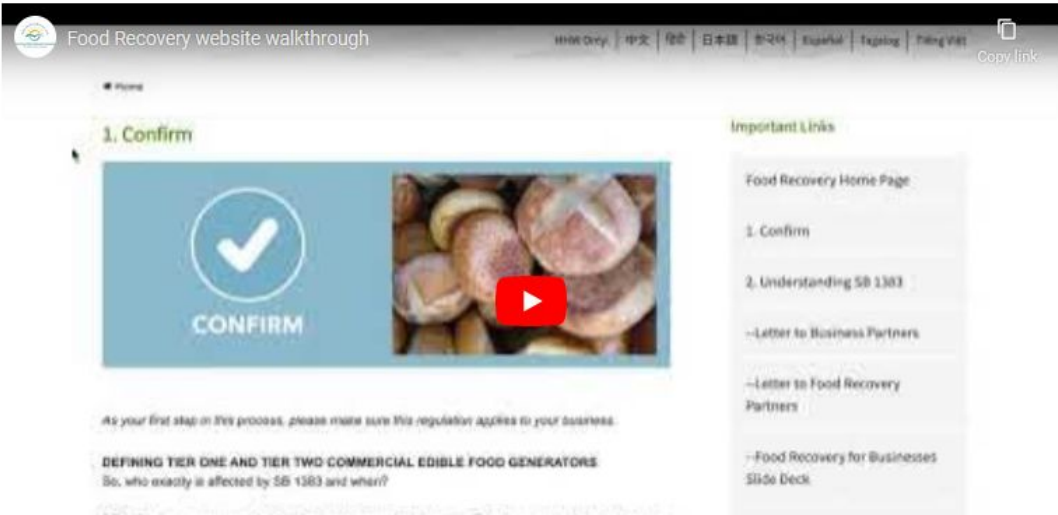
Industry-Specific  
Information for Safe  
Food Recovery



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## Recovering Your Surplus Edible Food: SB 1383 Food Recovery Program Compliance for Businesses

This website is designed to help you develop your own food recovery program in order to comply with new state regulations from Senate Bill 1383 pertaining to surplus edible food. Food recovery is the practice of saving surplus edible food that would otherwise be disposed of and distributing it to people to eat. We will walk you through the steps to compliance, important dates, and how to get help if you need it.



### Quick Links

- Food Recovery Home Page
- 1. Confirm
- 2. Understanding SB 1383 +
- 3. Connect +
- 4. Contract +
- 5. Recover +
- 6. Track
- 7. Monitor
- 8. Report +

# Monitoring & Inspections

## Reporting Results

Food Recovery Reports Completed:

- **342** Tier 1 Businesses (87%)
- **54** Food Recovery Orgs (100%)

FROs reported recovering

**9,764,987 lbs**

Jan-June 2022

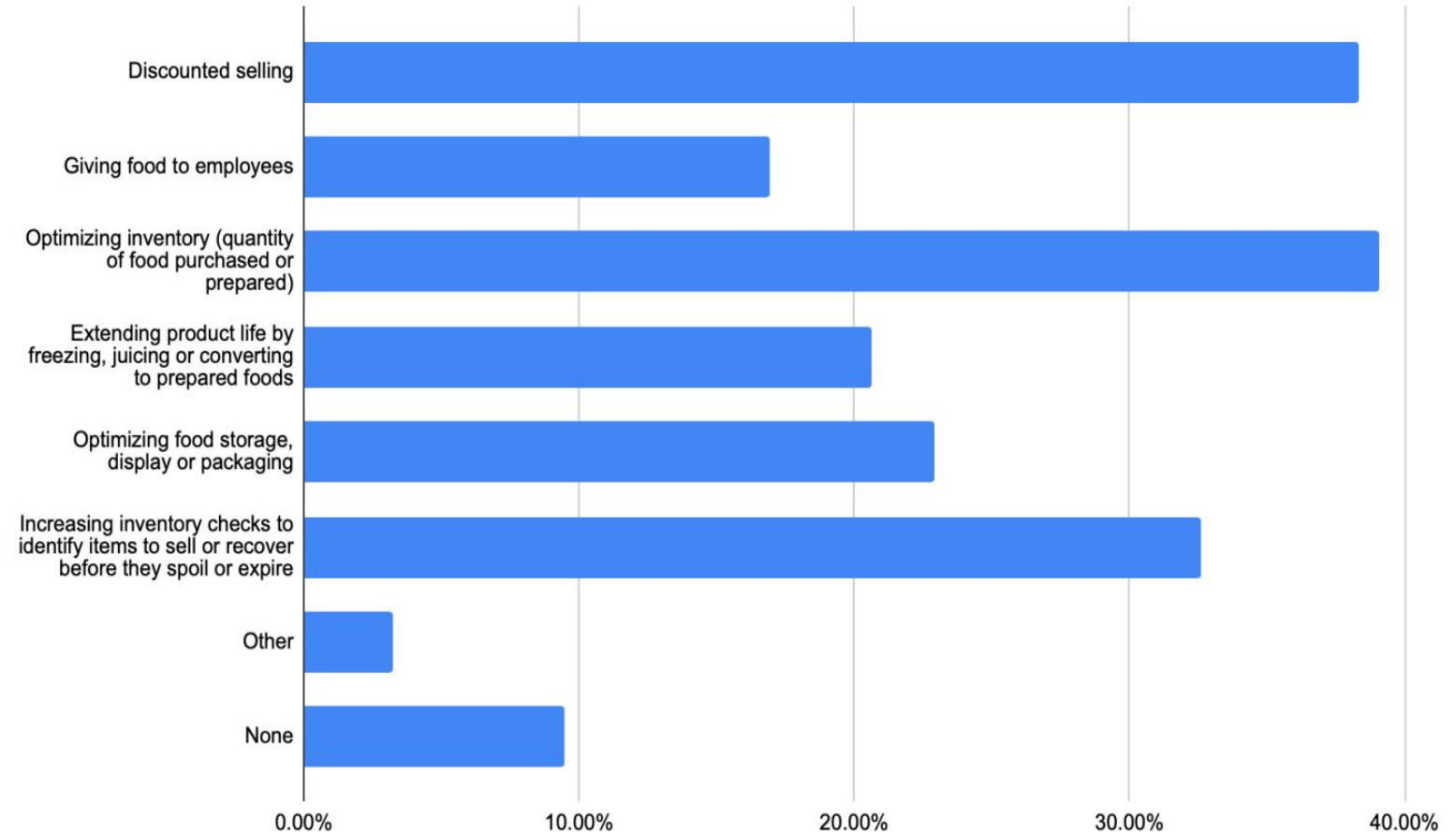
businesses reported recovering

**4,936,252 lbs**

Jan-June 2022

**51 Inspections Conducted**

Prevention Measures Reported (n=238)



# Capacity Planning & Reporting

## Capacity Assessment



**SB 1383 requirements**  
jurisdiction capacity 2022-24



**Ample food recovery capacity**  
(8,676-11,292 tons) for Edible  
Food Disposed (3,255 tons)

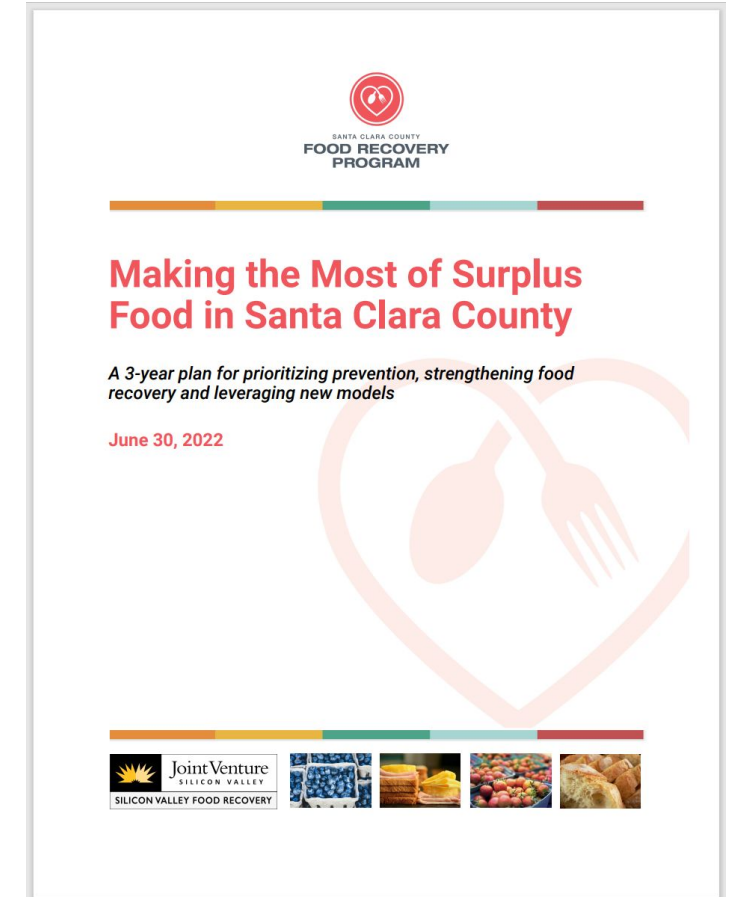
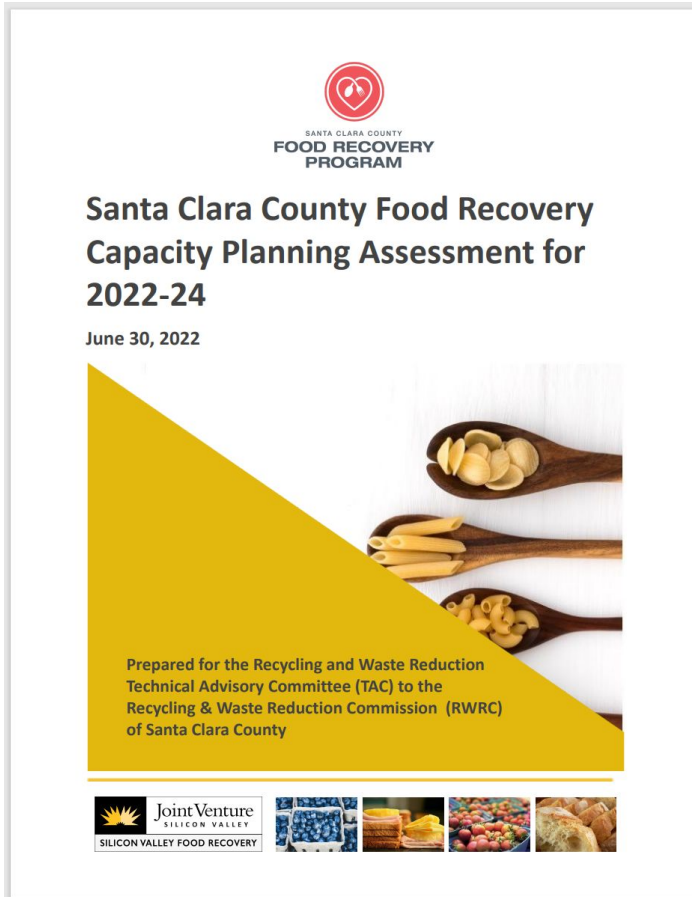
## “Making the Most”



**3-year collaborative work plan**  
beyond SB 1383 >> county-wide  
surplus of up to 24,000 tons



Roadmap for action, efficient  
resource utilization, & funding





# What's Next?

In addition to regular Program Administration in 2023 (including annual education and outreach, list updates, and reporting), **we are also working on...**



## Outreach and Education

Food waste prevention and safe food recovery best practice webinars and outreach



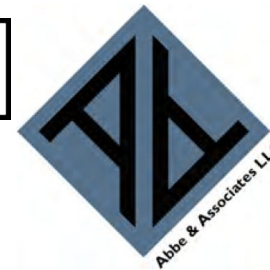
## Capacity Building

Equipment grants for Food Recovery Organizations/Services



## Food Recovery Program Long-Term Budget/Documentation

Full documentation of records, methods, and budgets for 23-24 and beyond



## Governance / Long-Term Funding Mechanism Document

Identify preferred legal structure, governance document and municipal funding mechanism for Food Recovery Program long-term management

# Questions?

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A screenshot of the CalRecycle website's "Local Implementation Examples" page. The browser address bar shows "calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/education/". The page header includes the CalRecycle logo and navigation menus for "Programs", "Recycle", "Government", "Business", "News", "About Us", and "Help". The main content area is titled "Local Implementation Examples" and includes a sub-header "These resources are provided by local jurisdictions that are implementing organic waste recycling programs and edible food recovery programs." Below this, there are four columns, each representing a different local jurisdiction with its logo, a representative image, and a link to resources.

Jurisdiction	Program Name	Image Description	Resource Link
County of Santa Clara	FOOD RECOVERY PROGRAM	Logo featuring a heart with a spoon and fork.	<a href="#">Santa Clara County Food Recovery Program</a>
County of Los Angeles	FOOD DROP	Logo featuring a heart and a shopping bag with produce.	<a href="#">Edible Food Recovery Program Resources</a>
City of Palo Alto	Recycling and Composting Ordinance and Container and Compostable Bags Resources	Image of a kitchen counter with various fruits and vegetables.	<a href="#">Recycling and Composting Ordinance and Container and Compostable Bags Resources</a>
City of Oceanside	Food Scraps Recycling Program Resources	Image of a person placing food scraps into a recycling bin.	<a href="#">Food Scraps Recycling Program Resources</a>