Hunger hurts everyone, but it’s especially devastating to children. Getting enough nutritious food is critical to children’s physical and emotional development and their ability to excel academically. When we combat child hunger and provide nutrition, we cultivate children’s potential, and help them to become tomorrow’s leaders and innovators who positively shape the Valley’s future.

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**Wasted Food is WASTED POTENTIAL**

**FOR OUR KIDS, FOR OUR ECONOMY, FOR OUR ENVIRONMENT**

MORE THAN 64,000 PEOPLE in Fresno have empty refrigerators every month.

71% of them have small children and not enough milk.

16.6% FOOD INSECURITY Among Fresno County Residents

26 MILLION POUNDS OF FOOD are needed this year in Fresno County

A simplified path for program participants to make multiple connections, build relationships, and participate in community service programs dedicated to feeding the hungry and reducing greenhouse gas emissions. Partners share three common goals, and work together to improve the system’s communication, collection methods and sharing network.

UP TO 40% OF FOOD IS WASTED

Agricultural Production

Manufacturing and Processing

Distribution and Logistics

Food Outlets and Retailers

Consumer of foods

WE NEED TO ENCOURAGE AND SUSTAIN AN INTEGRATED FOOD SYSTEM NETWORK.

Food waste occurs at all stages of the food system with significant opportunities for food recovery and waste diversion at each stage.

How It Will Work

We’re all doing our part to share what we have with others less fortunate. But it’s no secret that the current system could be more efficient at sourcing, transporting and delivering food to those who need it faster and with less waste and demand on everyone. And when food can’t be eaten, there are ways to repurpose most of it into animal feed and renewable energy instead of sending it to our garbage bins. You can help reshape the growing network of donors, providers and recipients to ensure our community and local economy thrives and we reduce our emissions impact substantially.

1. COLLECT

The network provides access to wholesome nutritious foods by collecting edible food from:

- Growers and Packers
- Clearings (crop remnants)
- Farmers Markets
- Food Service facilities
- Restaurants
- Supermarkets
- Food Distributors
- Hospitals
- Institutional Cafeterias
- Food Institutions

2. SHARE

And sharing food with:

- Church
- Community Food Kitchens
- Pantries
- Community Distribution Centers
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3. DIVERT WASTE

The network supports CalBury Energy Partners and CalGia Environmental for diverting ag and green waste along with inedible food away from landfills and into production of low carbon renewable energy systems.

Help Shape A New Network

To recover food and reduce Waste!

To learn more, please visit www.fresnometmin.org/programs or call 559-485-1416

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Did You Know? Facts About Fresno’s Hunger

16.6% of the population in Fresno County

Total Population 939,605

Those with Food Insecurity 155,600

Proteins

5.4 M Lbs. Distributed

6.2 M Distributed

5.4 M Needed

2.1 M Needed

Carbohydrates

13.4 M Lbs. Distributed

6.4 M Lbs. Distributed

13.4 M Needed

18.8 M Needed

Fats

6 M Lbs. Distributed

3.6 M Lbs. Distributed

6 M Needed

3.6 M Needed

Fruits & Vegetables

6 M Lbs. Distributed

3.6 M Lbs. Distributed

118,734 Lbs. Needed

110,130 Lbs. Needed

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FOOD RECOVERY NETWORK

Kaiser Permanente

COMMUNITY FOOD BANK

The Food to Share Partnership Network offers many different ways for our community to come together to fight hunger, reduce environmental impact and build a stronger economy.

Donate, volunteer, or attend our workshops to help shape and strengthen the systems in place.

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![Diagram of Fresno's food system network.](image-url)