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# U.S. EPA FOOD RECOVERY CHALLENGE

Save money, get recognized, and reduce your environmental footprint by joining EPA's **Food Recovery Challenge**.

# What is the Food Recovery Challenge?

A new EPA initiative where participants commit to reducing food waste reaching landfills through prevention, donation, composting and/or anaerobic digestion.

## Why Join?

**Improve your bottom line** through cost savings from reduced purchasing and waste fees **Support your community** by feeding people, not landfills

Reduce your environmental impact and greenhouse gas emissions

**Get recognized** for your innovative work

**Receive technical assistance** to complete your baseline assessment and undertake food waste reduction activities

### How can you meet the Challenge?

- Reduce food waste by buying only what you need.
- Donate excess food to feed hungry people or animals.
- Compost or anaerobically digest spoiled food.

# **Questions? Contact us:**

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# Source Reduction Feed Hungry People Feed Animals Industrial Uses Composting Incineration or Landfill

Food Recovery Hierarchy

Visit www.epa.gov/foodrecoverychallenge to learn more.