

WHAT IS PREPARED FOOD RECOVERY?

Clallam County's Food Recovery program is organized by partnering agencies and community meal programs. We safely collect surplus edible food and put it onto the plates of those in need in our community while preventing good food from going into the landfill.

HOW IT WORKS

We work closely with your business and our partnering agencies to get donated food transported safely and efficiently. This maximizes financial benefits for both donors and recipients.

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**FEEDING PEOPLE,
NOT LANDFILLS**

WHY RESCUE FOOD?

Saves Money

The most expensive way to manage surplus edible food is throwing it in the garbage.

Rescuing food may reduce your organization's disposal costs.

Feeds Local Families in Need

One in six families in Clallam County do not have a secure, consistent source of food.



Conserves Natural Resources

Food waste is the single largest item by weight in Clallam County's garbage. Landfilling food waste costs money, and has huge environmental impacts that include the generation of greenhouse gases, transportation & depletion of natural resources.

BENEFITS TO DONORS

Protected from Liability

- Good Samaritan Food Donation Act
- Act with integrity - IRS code 170 (e) (3), no bartering, trading or selling items.

Just Makes Sense

- Reduce disposal costs
- Reduce storage costs
- Potential Tax Credits
- Help those in need
- Building employee morale

FOR THE AVERAGE U.S. HOUSEHOLD OF FOUR, FOOD WASTE TRANSLATES INTO AN ESTIMATED \$1,350 TO \$2,275 IN ANNUAL LOSSES.



Source: Bloom, *American Wasteland*, 187. Another report using updated USDA consumer loss numbers and 2011 prices estimates \$1,600 in annual losses per household of four: Clean Metrics, "The Climate Change and Economic Impacts of Food Waste in the United States," <http://www.cleanmetrics.com/pages/ClimateChangeImpactofUSFoodWaste.pdf>.