

## DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH County of Riverside

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DISTRICT ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES DIVISION

#### DONATED FOOD TO A NON-PROFIT CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION

# THE TRUTH ABOUT DONATED FOOD

## Did you know?

- Any food facility may donate food to a food bank or to another nonprofit charitable organization for distribution to persons free of charge.
- No food facility that donates food shall be subject to civil or criminal liability or penalty for violation of any laws, regulations, or ordinance for a violation occurring after the time of donation.
- A facility that donates food will not be liable for any damage that results from consumption of the donated food, regardless of compliance with any laws relating to the packaging, labeling, or storage after donation.

#### Related Legal References

The following are specific sections in the California Health and Safety Code which reference food facility donations, and provide a definition of a Nonprofit Charitable Organization

• 114432 Food Facility Donations
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#### • 114433 Criminal Liability

No food facility that donates food as permitted by Section 114432 shall be subject to civil or criminal liability or penalty for violation of any laws, regulations, or ordinances regulating the labeling or packaging of the donated product or, with respect to any other laws, regulations, or ordinances, for a violation occurring after the time of the donation.

#### • 114434 Immunity

The immunities provided in Section 114433 and by Section 1714.25 of the Civil Code are in addition to any other immunities provided by law, including those provided by Chapter 5 (commencing with Section 58501) of Part 1 of Division 21 of the Food and Agriculture Code.

#### • 113841 Nonprofit Charitable Organization (Definition)

"Nonprofit charitable organizations" means either of the following:

- (a) A corporation incorporated pursuant to the Nonprofit Corporation LAW (Division 2 (commencing with Section 5000) of Title 1 of the Corporations Code), that is exempt from taxation pursuant to paragraphs (1) to (10), inclusive, and paragraph (19) of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 2370ld of the Revenue and Taxation Code.
- (b) An organization that was organized and is in operation for charitable purposes and meets the requirements of Section 214 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

The following sections of the law, referred to above in the Health and Safety Code, address the immunities provided to entities that donate food to Non-Profit Charitable Organizations at no cost and are paraphrased below:

- California Civil Code 1714.25 states that a facility that donates food will not be liable for any damage that results from the consumption of the donated food, regardless of compliance with any laws relating to the packaging, labeling, or storage after the donation.
- Food and Agriculture Code 58501-58509 gives the definition of a food bank, and further details regarding food banks, distribution and protection from liability.



As a food facility donating food, California state law protects you!

Can you think of any reason not to donate your unused food now?

We can't.

Related legal references from the California Health & Safety Code can be found on the Department website: <a href="https://www.rivcoeh.org">www.rivcoeh.org</a>.

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### Food Banks Available in Riverside County

Below is a list of some non-profit charitable organizations in Riverside County that accept food donations and their days and hours of operation. Please note some sites can only accept specific food types (perishable and/or non-perishable foods). Please contact the facility to make arrangements to drop off your food donations and to verify the specific food types the facility can take.

Carol's Kitchen at Banning	H.E.L.P
789 San Gorgonio	53 S. 6 <sup>th</sup> Street
Banning, CA 92220	Banning, CA 92220
(951) 769-9334	(951) 922-2305
Tues. & Fri.	Mon-Thurs./9:00am-3:00pm &Fri. 9:00am-12:00pm
Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable	Foods Accepted: Non-perishable
Our Savior Lutheran Church	Carol's Kitchen at Catholic Church
1320 W. Williams	1234 Palm Ave
Banning, CA 92220	Beaumont, CA 92223
(951) 849-3343	(951) 769-9334
Mon Fri./9:00am-12:00pm	Mon. & Thurs.
Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable	Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable
Table of Plenty at Beaumont	Table of Plenty at Beaumont
306 E 6 <sup>th</sup> St.	702 Euclid Ave.
Beaumont, CA 92220	Beaumont, CA 92220
(951) 922-1719	(951) 922-1719
TuesThurs./7:30am-1:30pm	TuesThurs./7:30am-1:30pm
Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable	Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable
Harmony Kitchen	Carol's Kitchen at Cabazon
219 South Main St.	50390 Carmen St
Blythe, CA 92225	Cabazon, CA 92230
(760)921-4508	(951) 769-9334
MonFri. 7:00am-12:00pm	Mon. & Thurs.
Foods accepted: non-perishable	Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable
Valley Mission Program	Jordan Outreach
52565 Oasis Palm Ave.	50930 Calhoun St.
Coachella, CA 92236	Coachella, CA 92236
(760) 398-9277	(760) 398-3352
10:00am-7:00pm	MonFri./8:00am-4:00pm
Foods accepted: Non-perishable	Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable
Corona Norco Settlement House	Food Now
507 South Vicentia	14080 Palm Dr. Ste. E
Corona, CA 92882	Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240
(951) 737-3504	(760) 329-4100
Mon-Fri. 10:00am-4:00pm	Tues., Weds., Thurs./8:00am-12:00pm
Foods accepted: non-perishable pre-packaged	Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable
Family Center in Hemet	Hemet Community Pantry
515 E. Kimball Ave.	519 N San Jacinto Ave
Hemet, CA 92543	Hemet, CA 92543
(951) 658-7153	(951) 816-443
TuesThurs./9:00am-3:00pm	MonFri./7:00am-12:30pm
Foods accepted: non-perishable	Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable

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Valley Restart Center	Idyllwild Help Center
200 E. Menlo	26330 Hwy. 234
Hemet, CA 92545	Idyllwild, CÁ 92549
(951) 766-7476	(951) 653-2529
MonFri./before:4:00pm	Mon Sun./10:00am-4:00pm
Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable	Foods accepted: non-perishable only
Coachella Valley Rescue Mission	Martha's Kitchen
47470 Van Buren	83791 Date Ave
Indio, CA 92201	Indio, CA 92201
(760) 347-3512	(760) 347-4741 ext.383
(100) 511 5512	ext.356 for large donation pick-up service
Mon Sun.	MonSun./8:00am-6:00pm
Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable	Foods accepted: non-perishable foods only
The Narrow Door	Galilee Center
43052 Madison Street	66101 Hammond Rd.
Indio, CA 92201	Mecca, CA 92254
(760) 775-56200	(760) 396-9100
F I	Mon-Fri 9:00am-5:00pm
Foods accepted: non-perishable	Foods accepted: non-perishable
Community Food Pantry of Murrieta	Senior Citizens Center & Food Bank
38444 Sky Canyon Dr., Ste. 190	41538 Eastman Dr. Ste C
Murrieta, CA 92563	Murrieta, CA 92562
(951) 677-6347	(951) 852-4900
MonThurs./8:00am-2:00pm	Mon, Tues., Thurs, Fri./ 8:00am-11:00am
Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable	Foods accepted: Perishable and non-perishable
Desert Arc	Desert Aids Project
73255 Country Club Dr.	1695 N. Sunrise Way
Palm Desert, CA 92260	Palm Springs, CA 92262
(760) 346-1611	(760) 323-2118
Mon Fri./8:00am-2:00pm	
Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable	Foods accepted: non-perishable packaged foods only
Roy's Desert Resource Center	Well in the Desert at St. Paul Church
19531 McLane St	588 Rosa Parks Rd.
Palm Springs, CA 92262	Palm Springs, CA 92262
(760) 676-5200	(760) 656-8905
Foods accepted: non-perishable preferred	Foods accepted: non-perishable foods only
Abiding Love Ministry	God's Helping Hand Ministries
24712 Hwy. 74	21382 Harvill Ave
Perris, CA 92570	Perris, CA 92570
(909) 657-3265	(951) 657-3041
WedFri./9:00am-5:00pm	
Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable	Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable
Feeding America	Salvation Army
2950 Jefferson St.	3695 First St.
Riverside, Ca 92504	Riverside, CA 92501
(951) 359-4757	(951) 784-4490
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#### St. George's Episcopal Church

950 Spruce St. Riverside, CA 92507 (951) 686-9936

Tues. & Thurs./ 9:00am-1:00pm

Foods Accepted: Perishable and non-perishable

#### Hope Food 2

610 S. State St. San Jacinto, CA 92583

(951) 652-1136

Tues. 10:00am-4:00pm, Thurs. 10:00am-5:00pm

Sat. 11:00am-4:00pm

Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable

#### Church of Acts Bread Basket

2385 S. San Jacinto Ave. San Jacinto, CA 92583 (951) 658-5098

Mon. 8:00am-11:00am & Fri. /8:00am-11:00am Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable

#### Temecula Community Pantry

28870 Pujol Street Temecula, CA 92950

Mon., Weds., Fri./8:00am-1:00pm

Foods accepted: perishable and non-perishable

<sup>\*</sup>Document available in an alternate format upon request



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