



CITY OF LA VERNE

Food Recovery Organizations & Services FAQ's

California SB 1383



Q: What is a Food Recovery Organization (FRO) and Food Recovery Service (FRS)?

A: A FRO is an entity that engages in the collection and distribution of edible food from commercial food generators. A FRS, is a person or entity that collects and transports edible food from a commercial food generator to a FRO or other entities for food recovery. An entity can be both a FRO and FRS if they participate in both transportation and distribution of recovered food.

Q: Are FROs and FRSs required to enter into contracts with Edible Food Generators?

A: No. It is at the discretion of the FRO or FRS to enter into a written agreement or contract with a commercial edible food generator. However, if you an FRO or FRS chooses to enter a contract, the organization must comply with SB 1383 reporting requirements.

Q: Are FROs required to accept an EFGs edible food donations?

A: No, FROs and FRSs are not required to accept a commercial food generator's edible food donations. Section 18990.2 (d) of the Short-lived Climate Pollutants (SLCP): Organic Waste Final Regulations specifies that, "Nothing in this chapter prohibits an edible food recovery service or organization from refusing to accept edible food from a generator."

Q: What are FROs required to record? [SB 1383 Legislative text, Section 18891.5.](#)

A: The name, address and contact information for each commercial generator that the organization receives edible food from; the quantity in pounds of edible food received directly from each commercial edible food generator per month; and the name, address, and contact information for each FRS that the organization receives edible food from.

Q: What are FRSs required to record? [SB 1383 Legislative text, Section 18891.5.](#)

A: The name, address and contact information for each commercial generator that the service collects edible food from; the quantity in pounds of edible food collected directly from each commercial edible food generator per month; the quantity in pounds of edible food transported to each commercial edible food generator per month; and the name, address, and contact information for each FRO that the service transports edible food to.

Q: What are FROs and FRSs required to report, and at what rate? [SB 1383 Legislative text, Section 18894.2 \(h\)\(2\)\(A\)](#)

A: FROs and FRSs are required to report the amount of edible food in pounds ^{recovered} annually from the commercial food generators that they contract with or have written agreements with. The City of La Verne needs this information by February 15th of each calendar year for the data from the previous year.

Q: Are FROs and FRSs required to report to multiple jurisdictions or only one? SB 1383
Legislative text, Section 18894.2 (h)(2)(A)

A: FROs and FRSs are only required to report information to the jurisdiction in which they are located, for data from generators that they contract with or have written agreements with. FROs or FRSs are not required to report to multiple jurisdictions. If a FRO is recovering food in multiple jurisdictions, the FRO is only required to report to the jurisdiction that they are physically located in.

Q: Are FROs and FRSs required to report only the total pounds collected from commercial edible food generators or from all food donors?

A: Any FRO or FRS that has a contract or written agreement with one or more commercial edible food generator is required to report the total pounds and tonnage of edible food that is collected or received directly from the commercial edible food generator. FROs and FRSs are not required to report the pounds of edible food recovered from entities that are not commercial edible food generators, as defined by SB 1383.

Q: Who would FROs and FRSs contact for more information about organic waste?

A: Waste Management-Visit https://www.wm.com/us/local/ca/la-verne/business?cmp=ag_business_2021-07-27_usa_ca_la_verne or call (909) 599-1274

City of La Verne- Visit <https://www.cityoflaverne.org/index.php/services/environmental-programs/solidwaste-recycling-guide> or call the Public Works Department at (909) 596-8741.

Cal Recycle-Visit <https://calrecycle.ca.gov/organics/slcp/faq/collections>

