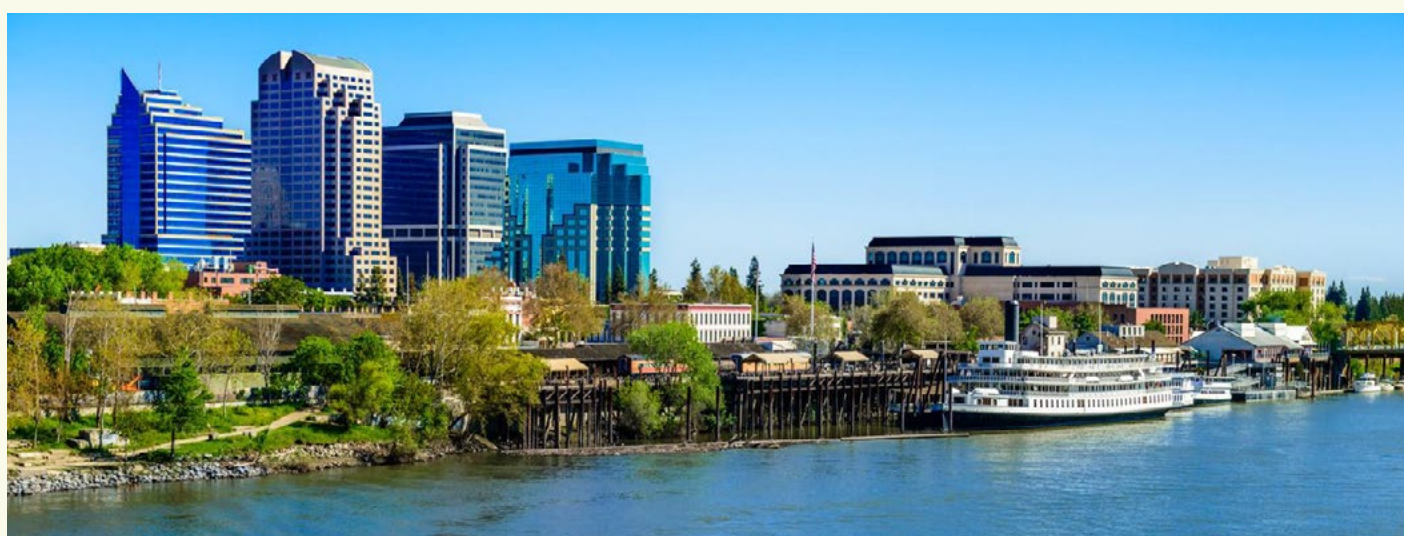


Continued Fire Relief Efforts: Supporting Victims with Nutritious Meals and Cold Storage

With funding from the **Angels Baseball Foundation** and **Pacific Premiere Bank** for Fire Relief, we provided 224 highly-nutritious meals to Trinity Presbyterian Church of Pasadena. We also delivered a new freezer to Pasadena City Hall and stocked it with 250 meals, ensuring nutritious food is readily available for those in need.

Investing in Food Recovery: Sacramento Grant Momentum Builds Across the Region



Exciting progress is underway with the Sacramento Equipment Grant as we work alongside local partners to identify critical needs and expand food recovery infrastructure. So far, 16 organizations have been selected as grantees, requesting a total of \$239,000 to support essential equipment like cold storage and transportation. In addition, we've received 19 Letters of Intent for the Sacramento Expansion Project grants, focused on four key areas: transportation, food generator infrastructure, repurposing kitchens, and innovative food system solutions. Each applicant is now working closely with a grant advisory team, made up of members from Abound Food Care and Edgar and Associates, to develop strong, collaborative proposals.

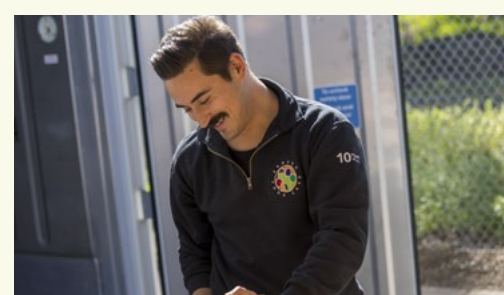
[Learn more about Sacramento Microgrants](#)



This process has sparked exciting partnerships and a strong sense of regional momentum. With proposals having closed on August 1st, we look forward to sharing the outcomes and community impact in the coming months.

Long Beach SB 1383 Implementation Underway

Our work with the City of Long Beach is officially in motion as we begin site visits and inspections of food generators to support compliance with California's SB 1383. In addition to conducting inspections, we'll be leading outreach efforts to educate generators on safe food handling, food donation best practices, training generator staff and regulatory requirements. This partnership amplifies the impact excess edible has within the region and helps ensure that all qualified generators are informed, supported, and aligned with the state's food recovery goals.



Enhanced Procurement Made Easy: Online Application Now Live for Nonprofits

We've made it even easier for nonprofits to join the Enhanced Procurement Program – our online application is now live! Interested organizations can now apply directly through the Enhanced Procurement Program page on our website. This streamlined process helps organizations quickly access cost-saving opportunities through collective purchasing power. We encourage all eligible organizations to apply and start maximizing their impact today.

Regional Collaboration Looking to Impact 17 Million People



We are proud to partner with the **LA Food Policy Council** and **Inland Empire Food Systems Alliance** on a joint grant application aimed at strengthening regional food systems. This collaboration will support the development of a comprehensive action plan and fund a capacity study to identify existing resources, infrastructure gaps, and opportunities for cross-sector collaboration. Together, we're working to build a more connected, equitable, and resilient food system across Southern California.

Vistar Joins Enhanced Procurement Offering Essential Items

We're thrilled to announce that Vistar and their products are included in the Enhanced Procurement Program! Nonprofits can now access items like individual pack items (ex: granola bars), deodorant, shampoo, toothpaste, feminine hygiene products, and more – at discounted prices through the program. This addition expands our catalog beyond food, giving partners access to the personal care items their communities need most. It's another step in helping organizations stretch their budgets while providing comprehensive support to those they serve.

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