

## Angels Baseball Foundation Donates \$50,000 for LA Fire Relief

Many individuals and families, including those who lost their homes or remain displaced due to the Altadena fire, are struggling with food insecurity as a result of the financial challenges that exist. Some individuals whose homes were spared are still unable to gain access, leaving them with the financial burden of making a mortgage payment and homeowners insurance payments in addition to paying for their temporary housing. Others whose homes were lost were unable to afford housing in the area and have had to seek housing further away, leading to a costly commute in addition to the cost of other necessities. As was the case when the fires broke out, Abound Food Care has once again been asked to fill a critical role in filling a food insecurity gap. Drawing on their emergency response experience, the Abound Food Care mobilized quickly to provide meals and coordinate regional support - reinforcing the importance of agility, preparation, and partnership in disaster response.



Thanks to a generous \$50,000 donation from the Angels Baseball Foundation, and additional financial support from Messiah Lutheran Church in Yorba Linda, Ca., Abound Food Care, in conjunction with the city of Pasadena will provide targeted food services to city staff who find themselves still impacted by the wildfires. This investment will support the production and distribution of nutritious, ready-to-eat meals now and while the need exists. Abound Food Care continues to work closely with regional and national partners to ensure resources are deployed efficiently across the communities most affected and looks forward to working on behalf of the Angels Baseball Foundation, the City of Pasadena and our partner stakeholders to provide nutritious food to those that work in support of the residents and businesses in Pasadena. If you or your organization is looking to support Abound Food Care in these efforts, visit [www.aboundfoodcare.org/donate](http://www.aboundfoodcare.org/donate).

### The Power of Collaboration

At Abound Food Care, collaboration is at the heart of everything we do—bringing together public, private, and nonprofit sectors to build a more efficient food system that provides everyone with access to nutritious, affordable and culturally appropriate food. By uniting stakeholders from multiple sectors, we can implement innovative solutions that reduce food waste and food insecurity, elevate nonprofits, and strengthen food systems. This collective approach helps improve the health and well-being of our communities, environment, and individuals. To see how collaboration brings all sectors together in a region, learn how Abound Food Care is working with partners in Orange County, CA through the OC Hunger Alliance to strengthen food systems and improve community health: [aboundfoodcare.org](http://aboundfoodcare.org)

## New Sacramento County Grants to Strengthen Regional Food Recovery



Following a successful first micro grant cycle in 2024 in Sacramento County, Abound Food Care is excited to launch the 2025 grant cycle on behalf of the Capital Food Access Alliance. The second grant cycle supports the introduction of an Equipment Grant, offering food recovery organizations essential resources such as freezers, refrigerators, scales, and thermometers to enhance their operations and increase capacity. Additionally, the Expansion Projects Grant will offer up to \$150,000 for large-scale initiatives. Eligible projects include shared fleet development, repurposing kitchens, innovative food recovery models, and other solutions aimed at strengthening food access and food recovery across the region.



### Sharing our Vision at Industry Events

Abound Food Care is proud to participate in key industry events this year, including featured speaking engagements at **Waste Expo** in Las Vegas and the **Food Safety Summit** in May, as well as our attendance at **ReFED's annual summit**. These gatherings offer valuable opportunities to share our mission, connect with leaders across sectors, and collaborate on building a more sustainable and food-secure future. Additional engagements are in the works—if you're attending, let's connect!

## Coordinated Logistics: First Routes are Underway

Abound Food Care's Coordinated Logistics pilot project is officially underway in Orange County, CA. The Samueli Foundation funded pilot project, conducted in collaboration with Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County, aims to identify and coordinate transportation resources to create a streamlined and efficient logistics model utilizing existing vehicles and infrastructure. The Abound Food Care logistics team is coordinating nonprofit and food industry refrigerated vehicles used to rescue excess edible food from retail grocery stores. Abound Food Care is actively expanding our transportation network in Orange County and exploring additional routes utilizing driver workforce development opportunities. This innovative approach will serve as a scalable model for other regions.



### Expanding Access to Smarter Food Solutions for Nonprofits

At Abound Food Care, we're proud to support nonprofit organizations across the country through the Enhanced Procurement Program, a growing initiative that offers significant cost savings, access to nutritious and culturally appropriate foods, and tools and resources to help implement new services that meet your community's needs.

The program is available to nonprofits anywhere in the U.S. If your organization is looking for sustainable ways to fully utilize it's budget and expand impact, we'd love to connect.

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### Invest in Change: Donate to Abound Food Care



Abound Food Care works to solve two of the most pressing challenges of our time: hunger and food waste. With limited resources and rising need, we strive to build real, innovative solutions that improve the health of communities, our environment, and individuals. Your donation helps us strengthen food systems and fuel innovative solutions that create lasting impact. Together, we can build a more equitable and sustainable future.

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