



Community Feeding Events

Agricultural Development and Support

Hunger Initiatives for Women and Children

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FOOD COLLECTION, PREPARATION AND DISTRIBUTION

Enhance access to food for community members by creating avenues for food collection, preparation and distribution.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) provide a shared blueprint for peace and prosperity for people and the planet, now and into the future. The 17 Goals are an urgent call for action by all countries — developed and developing — in a global partnership. Achievement of the SDGs also relies on the involvement of volunteer organizations, who connect governmental strategies and initiatives with complementary, yet essential, community action.

THIS SERVICE AREA SUPPORTS SDG #2 & SDG #12

2 ZERO HUNGER



END HUNGER, ACHIEVE FOOD SECURITY AND IMPROVED NUTRITION AND PROMOTE SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE

12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



ENSURE SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION PATTERNS



Two billion people around the world could be fed by the food that is lost and wasted, which would eradicate hunger (United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization).



Factors such as conflict, climate change, health emergencies and regional inequities contribute to lack of food access, which can result in famine (United Nations).



More than 30% of food is discarded — 13% of food produced globally is lost during the process of collecting it at harvest and sending it to retail, while 17% of food is wasted in households, retail and food services (United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization).



Approximately 29.6% percent of the global population — 2.4 billion people — did not have sufficient access to food in 2022, which was an increase of 745 million people from 2015 (United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization).



Due to the increase in food and fuel prices, the cost of delivering food is at its highest (World Food Programme).



When food is lost or wasted, resources that were used to produce this food such as water, land, energy, labor and capital go to waste and negatively impact food availability, food security and food cost (United Nations).



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Service Ideas

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Explore the **United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization's (FAO) Technical Platform on the Measurement and Reduction of Food Loss and Waste** to access data on food waste in your country or region.



Deliver nutritious prepared meals to vulnerable populations in your community such as the elderly, disabled, displaced and under-resourced. Use our **Club and Community Needs Assessment** to assist in this effort and work with Leos and other community groups to engage youth for this project.



Plan a service activity in honor of **International Day of Awareness on Food Loss and Waste Reduction on September 29**. Share your impact on social media with photos, videos and other asserts using the hashtag #NotWasting.



Review the **United Nations Environment Programme's (UNEP) Food Waste Report** to understand your region's data on food waste and how your community can tackle it.



Join the FAO's **#123Pledge** that aims at tackling the reduction of food loss and food waste.



Work with your club to host a meal packaging event on a monthly basis and identify ways to distribute the packages that are effective for the rural or urban community your club is supporting.



Collaborate with a local food agency, place of worship or community center to organize a food collection drive while focusing on items that are most needed in your area.



Work with local grocers or businesses to collect quality food that is left over before it is thrown out. Use our **Developing Local Partnerships resource** to assist in this effort.



Get inspired by the **World Food Programme's (WFP) approach to a growing economic crisis in Lebanon** and the use of distribution packages to provide food to families. Create a similar distribution program that addresses hunger needs in your community with your club, district or multiple district.



Prepare and distribute food to community members during times when public resources or assistance programs are not accessible. Use our **Food Collection Initiative Project Planner** to help organize the project.



Research food assistance programs in your community and provide information to community members during a food distribution project. Explore how to provide additional support for any application processes for these programs.