



Second Harvest Food Donation Facts

<p>What does Second Harvest do?</p>	<p>We are a food rescue program that collects fresh, frozen and non perishable food from a variety of donors in the GTA and distributes the food in refrigerated trucks to over 200 social service agencies. Thanks to the generosity of our food donors, we are able to provide enough food for more than <u>18,000 meals</u> every day to those in need.</p>
<p>Why should my company donate food to Second Harvest?</p>	<p>It's a cost-effective, environmental and socially responsible way to deal with surplus food.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Save on disposal costs • Reduce food waste • Feed the hungry in your community
<p>What about liability?</p>	<p><u>The Ontario Donation of Food Act</u> protects all companies from any liability when donating food in good will.</p>
<p>What types of food does Second Harvest accept?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fresh, frozen, prepared and raw foods including meat, produce, dairy, juice and fresh or frozen meals (raw meat must be frozen before expiry) • Non-perishable foods, canned and/or packaged • Surplus, close to code, damaged, mislabeled and discontinued products • *Past-code product only if verified by manufacturer that it is safe for consumption
<p>What types of food are unacceptable?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leftover food that has been 'plated' and served • Prepared food with meat, egg or milk products that has been sitting at room temperature for over 2 hours • Expired/past code product (unless it meets the above criteria*) • Food or drinks with alcohol and/or medicinal ingredients • Open packaged or broken sealed food
<p>Is there a minimum quantity of food required for pick-up?</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To make the best use of our trucks, a minimum donation of 100 lbs is preferred. • For donations under 100 lbs, we can make alternate arrangements to ensure the product does not go to waste
<p>How do I start donating?</p>	<p>Pick-ups are arranged simply by phoning the office at 416.408.2594 and asking for Dispatch.</p> <p>Second Harvest can often pick up food on the same day you call in, or within 24 hours.</p>