Who We Are
Food Finders is a non-profit, organization serving LA and OC County. Since April of 1989, we have rescued over 130 million pounds of wholesome food. In addition, we have reduced 70 million pounds of carbon dioxide emission from landfills. Our fleet includes 2 refrigerated trucks and a refrigerated van. We are also fortunate enough to have a network of over 150 dedicated volunteers.

How We Do It
Food Finders operates 7 days a week to pick up and deliver food donated by local vendors. Food is picked up directly from your location and delivered to a nearby shelter or agency same-day. All food must be properly stored and Food Finders can provide transport containers if needed. Volunteer or staff drivers ensure timing of pick up so food reaches its recipient agency in time for their next meal service or pantry distribution. Your donation can be regular or occasional, based on need.

It’s a Win-Win Situation
Donated food is delivered the same day to over 330 partnering agencies, providing food to those in need. Our partnering agencies are grateful for the donation, as it makes it possible for them to maintain their program. On your end, donations are tax-deductible and donation reports are available to each donor. By donating, you’ll reduce your waste and disposal expense, maintain compliance with local policies on waste (AB1826), and create an impact on your local community.

Our Vision
To eliminate hunger and food waste, while improving nutrition in the communities we serve. Despite our efforts unemployment rates remain at 7 percent and our partnering agencies are seeing more people in need of food. You too can be part of the solution by donating food, volunteering, becoming a Food Finders Sponsor, or making a monetary contribution. Join in our efforts to improve the food security of those in need. Thank you in advance for your consideration!

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Article 7. Food Facility Food Donation

114432. Any food facility may donate food to a food bank or to any other nonprofit charitable organization for distribution to persons free of charge.

114433. No food facility that donates food as permitted by Section 114432, shall be subject to civil or criminal liability or penalty for violation of any laws, regulations, or ordinances regulating the labeling or packaging of the donated product or, with respect to any other laws, regulations, or ordinances, for a violation occurring after the time of the donation.

"Nonprofit charitable organization" means either of the following:

113841 (a) A corporation incorporated pursuant to the Nonprofit Corporation Law (Division 2 (commencing with Section 5000) of Title 1 of the Corporations Code), that is exempt from taxation pursuant to paragraphs (1) to (10), inclusive, and paragraph (19) of Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code and Section 23701d of the Revenue and Taxation Code. (b) An organization that was organized and is in operation for charitable purposes and meets the requirements of Section 214 of the Revenue and Taxation Code.

Federal Law 1996 - Bill Emerson Good Samaritan Food Donation Act

Each year, 14 billion pounds of food are sent to landfills. Meanwhile, nearly 30 million Americans, including 12 million children, are at risk of hunger. Potential donors most often cite fear of liability as the reason they refuse to donate to feeding programs. Before passage of the national law, all 50 states and the District of Columbia had adopted laws protecting donors. Yet, differences in language and applicability between states often discouraged national and regional companies from donating. With the national law in place, regional and national donors have the uniform language that protects them from civil and criminal liability.

The law protects good faith food donors from civil and criminal liability, should the product later cause harm to its recipient. The Emerson Act gives uniform federal protection to donors who may cross state lines.

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