

# **SB 1383 Edible Food Recovery Program - Grant Funding Opportunity, FY 22-23**

## **Summary of Funding**

This grant is intended to expand and enhance edible food recovery programs at food rescue organizations and services operating within the Monterey County region to better accommodate state mandates and broaden community operations. This grant is designed to:

1. Help increase the capacity of local food rescue organizations and services operating within the County of Monterey.
2. Assist local food recovery organizations and services by funding the purchase of equipment, materials, and supplies that will increase the total pounds of edible food an organization or service is able to recover and distribute to those in need.
3. Improve our region's ability to respond to and comply with SB 1383 mandates by increasing capacity, thereby allowing businesses to donate the maximum amount of edible food that would otherwise be disposed of.
4. Ensure food safety as edible food recovery capacity and donations increase.

## **State Mandate**

### **Senate Bill 1383 - Short-Lived Climate Pollutants**

#### **[SB 1383](#)**

SB 1383 establishes the following primary targets:

1. Achieve 50% reduction in statewide organic disposal from 2014 levels by 2020.
2. Achieve 75% reduction in statewide organic disposal from 2014 levels by 2025.
3. Recover for human consumption a minimum of 20% of edible food that would otherwise be disposed by 2025

## Preface

The SB 1383 Edible Food Recovery Program - Grant Funding Opportunity, FY 22-23 intends to award a total of up to \$100,000 to non-profit organizations, businesses, or public entities that collect, generate, and distribute food to those in need and charities within the County of Monterey. Applicants must operate within the service areas of Salinas Valley Recycles (SVR)\*or ReGen Monterey\*\*. The award will strengthen current food rescue programs in order to better comply with California edible food waste recovery laws.

\*The **Salinas Valley Recycles** service area includes: Gonzales, Greenfield, King City, Salinas, or Soledad.

\*\***ReGen Monterey** includes: Carmel-by-the-Sea, Del Rey Oaks, Marina, Monterey, Pacific Grove, Seaside, Sand City, Pebble Beach Community Services District, and Unincorporated Monterey County.

Organizations may request a minimum of \$1,000 and a maximum of \$20,000. We anticipate the average award to be between \$5,000 and \$10,000. This grant does not require matching funds or cost-share, but it is highly recommended. Additional funding may be allocated in future years to further bolster the region's ability to prevent edible food waste. Funds may be used by awarded recipients for qualified expenditures listed in the awardees approved budget and in line with grant requirements. A minimum of 2 quotes for requested expenditures are required when making this application. By contract, all purchases made using the grant must be reported to ensure proper use of funds and must include valid documentation with time-stamped receipts.

Applicants will submit proposals based on individual organization needs. Examples of eligible expenses include the following:

Shelving Units	Refrigeration Units	Freezer Units
Kitchen Supplies	Food Preservation Supplies	Food Recovery Vehicles
Staffing/Wages		

Ineligible expenses include any items that do not directly increase food rescue capacity for the individual organization.

Award payments will be made upfront with checks issued by **October 11th, 2022**.

## Grant Timeline

August 12, 2022	Grant Application Releases
September 16, 2022	Grant Application Closes
October 10, 2022	Notice of Proposed Awards
October 18, 2022	Agreements Executed & Funds Issued
October 18, 2022	Grant Term Begins
June 30, 2023	Grant Term Ends   Final Reports Due

## Eligibility Requirements

Any non-profit organization, business, or public entity operating within the selected area that collects and/or distributes recovered edible food for public need. Selected areas include the following:

**Salinas Valley Recycles:** City of Gonzales, City of Greenfield, King City, City of Salinas, or City of Soledad.

**ReGen Monterey:** City of Carmel-by-the-Sea, City of Del Rey Oaks, City of Marina, City of Monterey, City of Pacific Grove, City of Seaside, or Sand City, Pebble Beach Community Services District, or Unincorporated Monterey County.

Organizations selected for funding from the Edible Food Recovery Pilot Grant, FY 21/22, are not eligible for funding from this grant (Edible Food Recovery Grant Program, FY 22/23).

## **Applicant Requirements**

- Applicants must fill out and submit a W9 in order to receive any awarded funds.
- Applicants must submit a minimum of 2 quotes for requested expenditures along with their application.
- Applicants must maintain current Food Safety handlers certification and appropriate required permits.
- Applicants must be in good standing with SVR and ReGen Monterey.
- Applicants must track and report project results. Results will be summarized in a Final Report due by June 30, 2023: Projects results include but are not limited to:
  - Accounting and documentation for actual expenditures made in line with approved grant funding.
  - Quantify increased capacity in the form of increased numbers of pounds of food collected, pounds of food distributed, individuals served, meals served, square feet of storage, etc.
  - Changes in disposal: reduced disposal of spoiled food, increased/added organics diversion.
  - Other results and outcomes related to the approved project scope.

## **Eligible Expenses**

### **Prioritized Eligible Expenses:**

Equipment, materials, or supplies to increase safe food recovery, preparation, preservation (canning, vacuum sealing, jamming, ect.), handling, storage, and/or transportation of food donations to/from donating parties, audiences served, and related activities.

### **Also Eligible:**

- Staff time and activities to support project coordination, training, outreach, education, tracking, or reporting associated with the proposed project.
- Vehicles and refrigerated vehicles.
- Equipment and/or installation/upgrading of safe food storage or refrigeration infrastructure and systems (e.g. walk-in refrigerators).

### **Ineligible Expenses:**

- The purchase or leasing of buildings or properties.
- Food (perishable or nonperishable)

## **Application Submission**

Proposal applications must be submitted by 5:00pm on **September 16th, 2022**. Applications must be submitted via email. A confirmation message following submission will be sent. Applications received after 5:00pm on **September 16th, 2022**, will not be considered for funding.

Please submit application via email in the following format:

**Email:** [sam@bluestrikeenvironmental.com](mailto:sam@bluestrikeenvironmental.com)

**CC:** [kohara@regenmonterey.org](mailto:kohara@regenmonterey.org)

**Subject Line:** [Applicant Title] SB 1383 Edible Food Recovery - Grant Funding Application, FY 22-23

Technical assistance and support can be provided to interested applicants.  
Please contact: [annie@bluestrikeenvironmental.com](mailto:annie@bluestrikeenvironmental.com)

## Recommended Timeline - EFR Grant Program FY 22/23

Based on the Edible Food Capacity Study of 2021 in tandem with the experience garnered from the ERF Pilot Grant Program (FY 21/22), the following outlines recommended action for a successful rollout of the SB 1383 Edible Food Recovery Grant Program (FY 22/23).

<p><b>Friday, August 12th</b> 8/12/2022</p>	<p>Announce renewal of the grant program and invite pantries to apply.</p> <p>Applications will be open to all organizations within Monterey County who would like to apply.</p> <p>Members and Agencies of the Edible Food Group will issue a notice on their websites, utilize social media and word of mouth to promote the grant opportunity.</p> <p>Monterey Food Bank will be contacted, encouraged to apply, and encouraged to alert organizations to the opportunity.</p> <p>BSE will promote the program, as well as work with organizations to ensure complete and accurate applications over the next month. Evaluation of submitted applications will again be overseen by a BSE employee who has not had direct contact with pantries regarding their application.</p>
<p><b>Friday, September 16th</b> 9/16/2022</p>	<p>Due date for applications, price quotes, and W9 forms.</p> <p>Applications received after this date will not be considered for grant funding.</p>
<p><b>Monday, October 10th</b> 10/3/2022</p>	<p>Announce award recipients and alert selected organizations.</p> <p>Send out finalized contracts along with the award announcement.</p> <p>Ask recipients to return contracts by <b>October 18th, 2022</b>.</p>
<p><b>Tuesday, October 18th</b> 10/18/2022</p>	<p>Issue funding checks.</p> <p>Grant term begins.</p>

**Friday, June 30th**  
6/30/2023

Grant term ends.

**Edible Food Recovery Grant Application (FY 22/23)**

Email applications to Blue Strike Environmental: sam@bluestrikeenvironmental.com

**I. APPLICANT INFORMATION**

1. APPLICANT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

2. ORGANIZATION TYPE: [501(c)3, other- please specify] \_\_\_\_\_

3. TAX ID NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

4. APPLICANT EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

5. APPLICANT PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

6. APPLICANT MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Suite/Apt # \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

7. APPLICANT MONTEREY COUNTY OPERATING LOCATION ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_ Suite/Apt # \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

\*Funding distributed under this grant must be used solely to benefit Monterey County\*

8. Is the facility for which you are applying located in Monterey County? YES | NO

\_\_\_\_\_  
If yes, what city is your facility located in?



9. Has your organization ever received funding from Salinas Valley Recycles (SVR), ReGen Monterey (previous Monterey Regional Waste Management District) or Monterey County? If yes, please describe.

YES | NO

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10. Is your organization in good standing with SVR, ReGen Monterey and Monterey County?  
If no, please describe.

YES | NO

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11. Please confirm the following for your organization:

a. All required business license(s) are valid and up to date

YES | NO | N/A

b. All required permits are valid and up to date

YES | NO | N/A

c. Our facility staff and volunteers maintain appropriate food handlers or food safety manager certifications as necessary or required by state or local mandates.

YES | NO | N/A

d. The following person(s) is designated as out food safety manager:

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Name

Certification Type

Food Safety Manager Certification Entity

12. APPLICANT SERVICE AREA (Please check all that apply):

CARMEL-BY-THE-SEA

GONZALES

DEL REY OAKS

GREENFIELD

MARINA

KING CITY

MONTEREY

SALINAS

PACIFIC GROVE

SOLEDAD

PEBBLE BEACH

UNINCORPORATED COASTAL MONTEREY COUNTY

SAND CITY

UNINCORPORATED SALINAS VALLEY

SEASIDE

13. Do you collect food donations from outside of Monterey County?

YES | NO

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If yes, from where?

14. Do you distribute food to communities outside of Monterey County?

YES | NO

If yes, where?

15. BASELINE - PLEASE ESTIMATE YOUR CURRENT CAPACITY (Estimate at least one of the following)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(# of POUNDS of Edible Food Collected)

\_\_\_\_\_  
MONTHLY | ANNUALLY  
(Select Period of Time)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(# of POUNDS of Edible Food Distributed)

\_\_\_\_\_  
MONTHLY | ANNUALLY  
(Select Period of Time)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(# of DONATIONS Accepted)

\_\_\_\_\_  
MONTHLY | ANNUALLY  
(Select Period of Time)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(# of MEALS Served)

\_\_\_\_\_  
MONTHLY | ANNUALLY  
(Select Period of Time)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(# of INDIVIDUALS Served)

\_\_\_\_\_  
MONTHLY | ANNUALLY  
(Select Period of Time)

16. Will this funding help increase your capacity to accept and distribute more edible food donations?

YES | NO

17. What is the estimated amount of increased capacity this funding will result in?

*(e.g. How many more pounds of food will your organization be able to collect and distribute?)*

\_\_\_\_\_  
POUNDS | DONATIONS | MEALS | INDIVIDUALS  
(Select Units)

\_\_\_\_\_  
MONTHLY | ANNUALLY  
(Select Period of Time)

18. TRASH & RECYCLING INFORMATION

a. Do you know who your trash & recycling hauler is?

YES | NO

b. If yes, please select:

GREENWASTE | MONTEREY CITY DISPOSAL | TRI-CITIES DISPOSAL  
WASTE MANAGEMENT | REPUBLIC SERVICES

c. Does your facility currently have recycling collection service?

YES | NO

d. Does your facility currently have organics collection service? (Food Scraps)

YES | NO

e. Are you willing to obtain recycling and organics collection service, if you do not already have these services? (Technical assistance is available to support you)

YES | NO | N/A

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## II. SHORT ANSWER RESPONSES

1. APPLICANT DESCRIPTION: (Briefly describe your organization and mission)

3. PROJECT DESCRIPTION: (Briefly describe the project you plan to implement using this funding)

4. INCREASED SERVICE CAPACITY: (Briefly describe how this funding will benefit your organization or increase your service capacity)

**III. BUDGET REQUESTED**

An estimated \$100,000 of funding is available under this FY 22/23 funding opportunity. Organizations may apply for grants of \$1,000 up to a maximum award of \$20,000. The average grant award for food recovery organizations under this solicitation is anticipated to be \$5,000 - \$10,000. This grant does not require matching funds or cost-share, but it is highly recommended. Additional funding may be allocated in future years to further bolster the region's ability to prevent edible food waste.

**TOTAL GRANT FUNDING REQUESTED:** \$

Expense Summary

CATEGORY	ITEM(S) DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT REQUESTED
EQUIPMENT		
MATERIALS		
SUPPLIES		
TRANSPORT		
LABOR		
OTHER		
<b>SUM:</b>		\$ <input style="width: 100px; height: 20px;" type="text" value="-"/>

**PLEASE JUSTIFY YOUR EXPENDITURE REQUEST (Please check all that apply):**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Increase number of persons served<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase cold storage capacity<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase frozen storage capacity<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase dry storage capacity<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase education, outreach and/or training capacity<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase the total amount of edible food donations we can accept<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase the variety of edible food type of donations we can accept<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase the amount of perishable food donations we can accept<br><input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (please specify) | <input type="checkbox"/> Increase transportation capacity<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increased staff or volunteer capacity<br><input type="checkbox"/> Increase our food preservation capacity |
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I certify under penalty of perjury that I have the authority to submit this application as an agent of the applicant listed on this form. I further agree to expend grant funds, if awarded, in line with the approved budget and scope of work, and consistent with all grant terms and conditions. I acknowledge that failure to expend funds and/or submit required reports consistent with grant terms and conditions may result forfeiture and return of grant funds in full or in part, and may further forfeit my organization's eligibility for future funding from ReGen, SVR, or their member agencies.

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**AUTHORIZED AGENT NAME**

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**AUTHORIZED AGENT SIGNATURE**

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**DATE**