



WASTE NOT OC COALITION



Feed the Need

WNOC COALITION PARTNERS:

- Orange County Health Department
- Food Banks
- Food Industry
- Environmental Services Industry
- Health Care Providers
- Local Food Pantries

WHAT IS WASTE NOT OC (WNOC)?

WNOC is a public-private partnership formed with the goal of eliminating hunger and reducing food waste by facilitating the donation of wholesome surplus food from permitted food facilities to local pantries. The overall vision of the coalition is to end hunger in Orange County using a three-step approach:

1. Redirecting unwanted wholesome food to local pantries
2. Identifying those suffering from food insecurity
3. Connecting those individuals to sources of food

“if we were able to capture food that is wasted and direct it to people in need, could we end hunger in Orange County?” – Dr. Eric Handler

HOW CAN YOU PARTICIPATE?

- Set up a donation of wholesome excess food by calling our Food Recovery line at **1-855-700-WNOC (9662)**
- Provide financial support to help us fund food recovery
- Talk to your favorite eatery about saving money by participating with Waste Not OC
- Volunteer as a trained food runner. Email us at wastenotoc@gmail.com

HOW DID WNOC START? In 2012, The Public Health Officer for Orange County (Dr. Eric Handler) brought together both county food banks along with representatives from the Food Industry to determine if recovered food could be directed to help end hunger. Ultimately the cities of Anaheim and Orange were chosen for a pilot project.



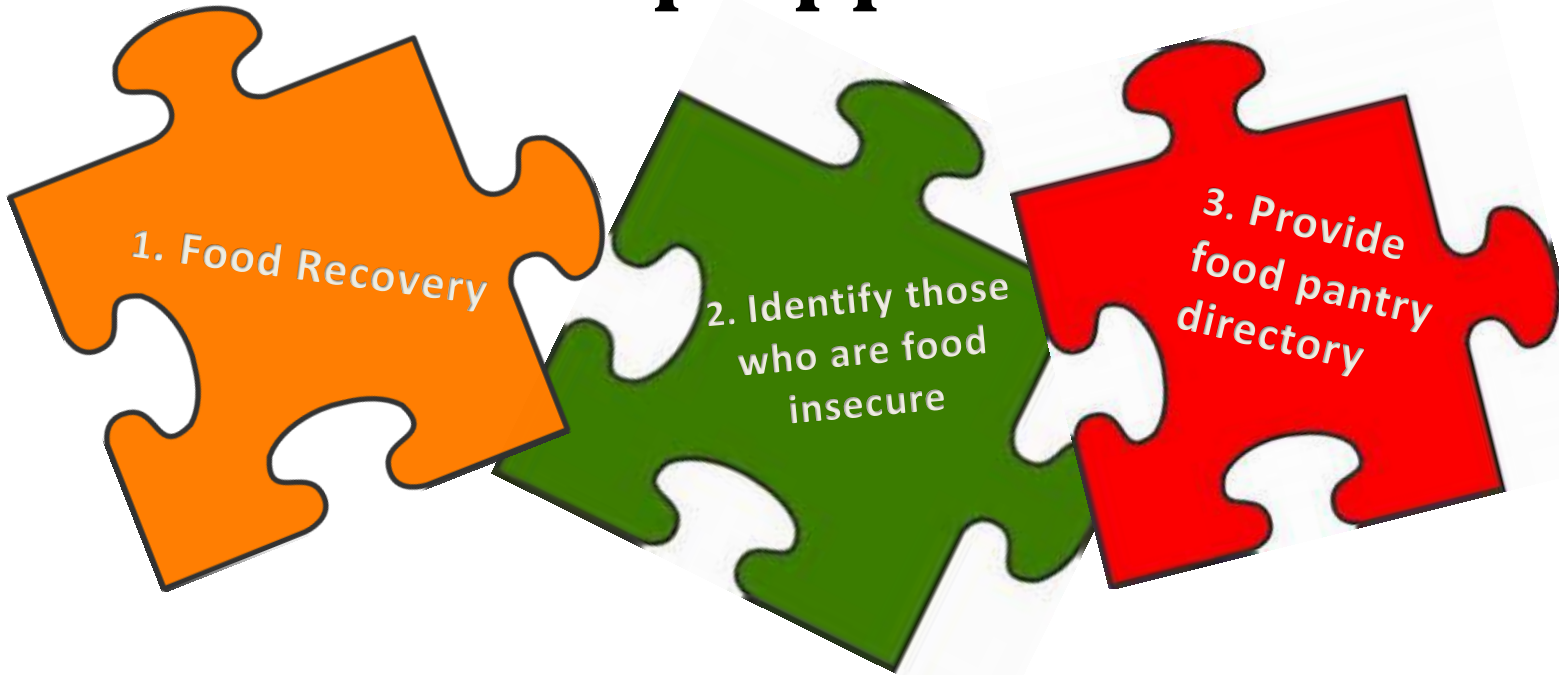


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3 Step Approach



1. **Food Recovery** – Restaurants, grocery stores, schools & entertainment venues can donate their excess food by calling our Food Recovery line **1-855-700-WNOC (9662)**. Recovered food is then distributed to local pantries where it will feed the most vulnerable in our community.
2. **Identify those who are food insecure** – In the privacy of the examining room, Healthcare providers at CHOC and family resource centers are asking two screening questions to patients they suspect are suffering from food insecurity.
3. **Provide food pantry directory** – Healthcare providers can provide patients with assistance by directing them to either the Waste Not OC Google Map (wastenotoc.org) or encouraging them to dial 2-1-1 OC for the location and operating hours of each pantry in Orange County.



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