

THE GOOD SAMARITAN FOOD DONATION ACT



MARION POLK
FOOD SHARE

Millions of pounds of food go to waste each year. To encourage companies and organizations to donate healthy food that would otherwise go to waste, you are protected from criminal and civil liability under the Good Samaritan Food Donation Act.

Who is protected?



Farmers and
Growers



Gleaners &
Home
Gardeners



Processing &
Manufacturing
Companies



Distribution
Centers



Trucking
Companies



Retail
Companies



Food Drives,
Post-Retail,
Individuals



Restaurants

How does it work?

- Protects food donors from liability when you donate to a non-profit organization;
- Protects food donors from civil and criminal liability should the product donated in good faith later cause harm to the recipient;
- Standardizes donor liability exposure. You or your legal counsel do not need to investigate liability laws in 50 states; and
- Sets a floor of "gross negligence" or intentional misconduct for persons who donate grocery products. According to the new law, gross negligence is defined as "voluntary and conscious conduct by a person with knowledge (at the time of conduct) that the conduct is likely to be harmful to the health or well-being of another person."

ADDITIONAL PROTECTIONS

Labeling: We can relabel and repack any donation to correct ingredient errors and protect brand integrity based on your specifications.

Food Safety: Marion Polk Food Share trains and monitors all member agencies to ensure compliance with all applicable safe food handling practices and policies. We are a U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) inspected facility.

Integrity: We never sell, trade or barter food donations without explicit permission from a donor.

Letters of Assurance: We offer signed letters of assurance for any donor who requests one.

