

Resources to Connect with a Local Emergency Food Provider

Steps in finding a local organization who would love your produce:

1. **First check the CSU Grow&Give website** <http://growandgivecolorado.org> > Share the Harvest page > find your county's folder. There may be information specific to your county in there. These folders will be updated as often possible.
2. **If your county's folder does not have local resources yet, you can use the Hunger Free Colorado Food Finder website to find a local organization.** Select the organization type indicated with stars. These are the places that are most likely to be able to accept your produce.

← → ↻ hungerfreeco.secure.force.com/exhotlineintegratedmap/ExHotlineIntegratedMap?refURL=http%3A%2F%2Fhungerfreeco.force.com%2Fexhotlineintegratedmap

3. **Check with your local/regional Health Department for a resource list.**
4. **Check this [map](#) from a Colorado County Department of Public Health.**

Connecting with a Local Organization

1. **Once you identify a few organizations, start researching.** Check out their website or Facebook page for more information on donation guidelines.
2. **Call, email or visit the organization to ask about donation guidelines and procedures.** Here are some questions to ask:
 - a. Can you accept backyard produce now through October?
 - b. What produce do you prefer receiving? Which produce is not helpful to you or your clients?
 - c. How do you prefer produce to be donated? Do arrangements need to be made in advance, or can donors drop off during certain hours?
 - d. If you prefer arrangements to be made in advance, what is the best way to communicate with you?
 - e. If you prefer drop-off, what are the days and hours for drop-off and what is the procedure for drop-off? Do you have a website or Facebook page that has updated hours?
 - f. Do you have a maximum amount that you can take? (Some places have limited refrigeration.)
 - g. Are there any safety precautions in place (COVID or routine) that donors should know about?



Thanks for growing to give!

Send your questions, stories, and pictures to
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