

# Food, Too Good to Waste

Thank you for joining us!  
The webinar will begin shortly.

Order of Events:  
Introduction  
Food Waste Overview  
Panelist Discussion  
Q&A



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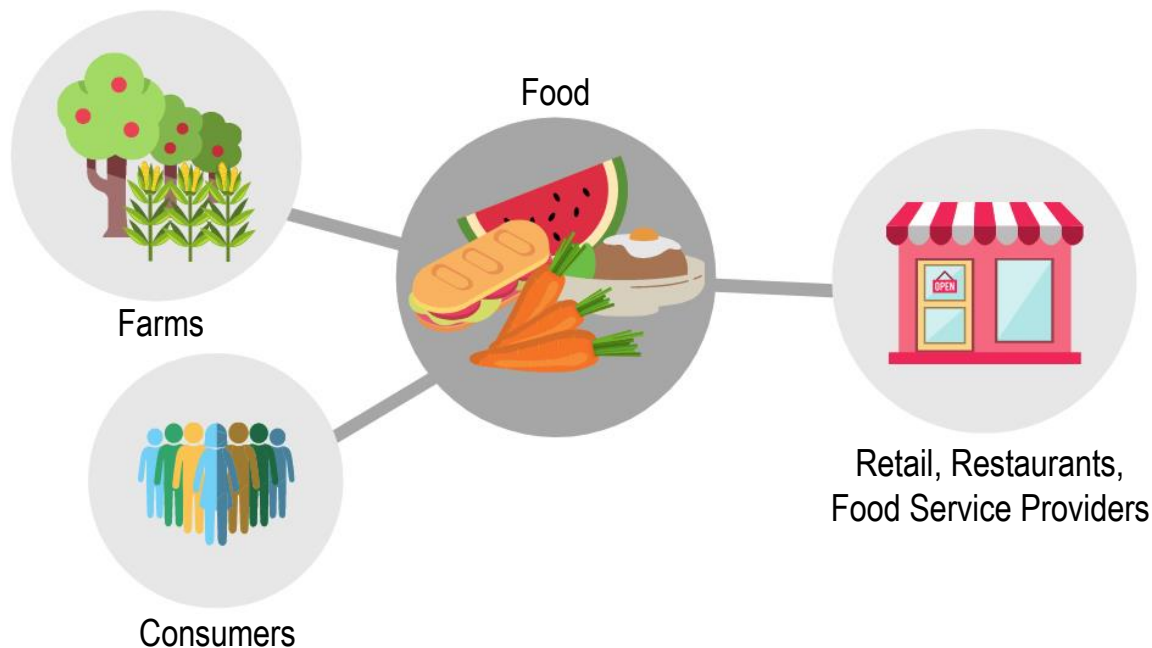


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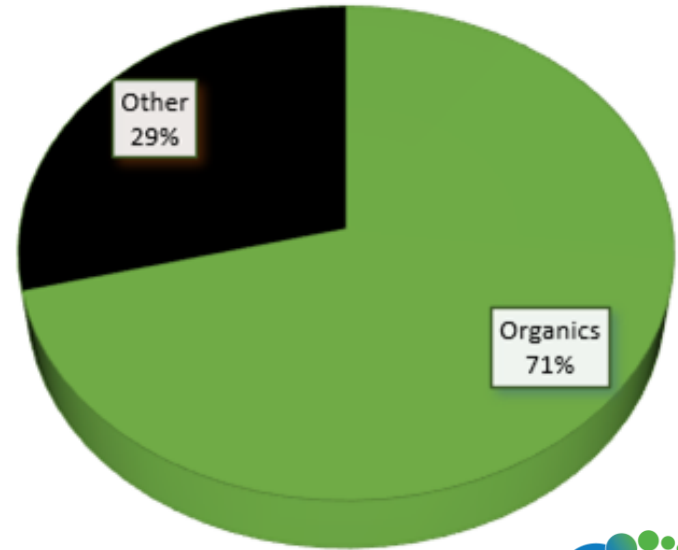
# What is Food Waste?

Definition: Food such as plate waste (i.e., food that has been served but not eaten), spoiled food, or peels and rinds considered inedible that is sent to feed animals, to be composted or anaerobically digested, or to be landfilled or combusted with energy recovery.

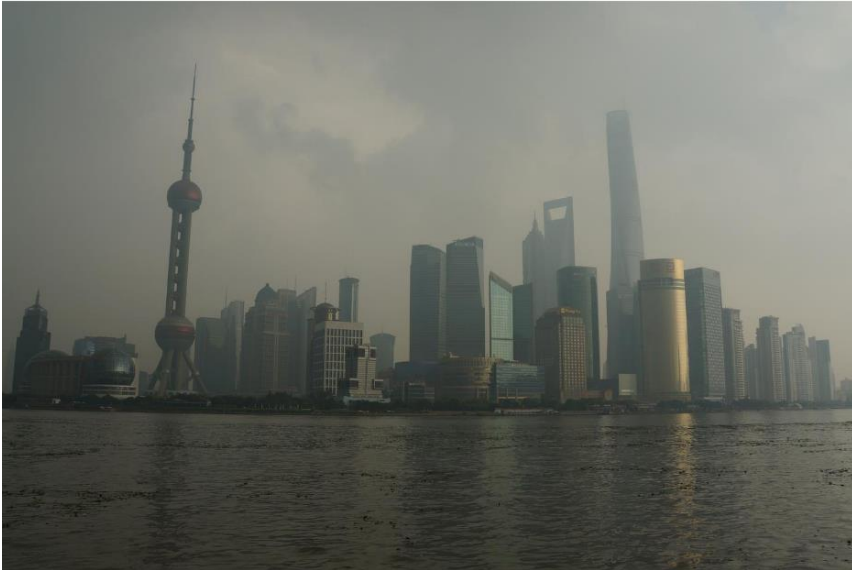


# Impacts on the Environment

Did you know that 71% of waste landfilled in San Mateo County is made up of organic materials?



# Impacts on the Environment



- **Methane gas**
  - Air quality
  - Public health
  - Climate change



# Impacts on Consumers

- **Costs**
- **State laws**
  - AB 1826 - requires multi-family complexes and businesses to have organics collection (compost) services
  - SB 1383 - aims to reduce the tonnage of organic waste that is landfilled



# Additional Resources

***RethinkWaste*** → [rethinkwaste.org](https://rethinkwaste.org)

Kids Activities by RethinkWaste → <https://bit.ly/3aYPpiY>

Tips → [StopFoodWaste.org](https://stopfoodwaste.org), [LoveFoodNotWaste.org](https://lovefoodnotwaste.org), [CalRecycle.ca.gov](https://calrecycle.ca.gov)

Free Classes by San Mateo County Libraries → <https://bit.ly/34AA1bm>

Second Harvest Food Bank → <https://www.shfb.org/get-food/>