## The Food Donation Tax Credit: Feed People, Not the Landfill

SB2757/HB7995 will create a tax credit for qualified taxpayers who donate food to RI organizations.

Introducing a tax credit for those who donate surplus food, we aim to weave together community support and environmental stewardship into the fabric of our state.



In our own backyards, 31% of households grapple with food insecurity. It's not just a statistic; it's our neighbors, friends, and family.

A TICKING ECO TIME BOMB

100,000 tons of wasted food annually contributes to the swelling RI Central Landfill, hastening its 2043 expiry and releasing methane - an invisible but potent threat to our climate.

**BUSINESSES AT A CROSSROADS** 

Every unsold item is a dent in local businesses' finances. It's time to turn these losses into community gains.

## A bold problem needs a bold solution.

The call is out for proactive businesses, visionary legislators, and passionate community members to support the cause of transforming surplus food into a symbol of hope, sustainability, and environmental stewardship while reducing hunger and supporting the local economy.



#### **CUT DOWN WASTE**

Dramatically reduce landfill contributions and curb greenhouse gas emissions.

### **NOURISH COMMUNITY**

Channel surplus food to where it's needed most, ensuring that no Rhode Islander goes hungry.

### **BOOST BUSINESSES**

Offer financial incentives to businesses, transforming waste into an opportunity for growth and goodwill.

### **GREEN UP OUR FUTURE**

Set a precedent in sustainability, positioning Rhode Island as a leader in environmental and social responsibility.











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## Urban and small farm tax burden relief

We urge the passage of HB5534 and SB431, exempting certain urban and small farms from specific state taxes. All Rhode Island farmers deserve a fair chance to succeed.



## Healthy school meals for all

We urge the passage of HB5742 and SB430, offering free breakfast and lunch to all Rhode Island public school students. Every Rhode Island student should have access to nutritious school meals.



## **Surplus food waste donation** tax credit

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## **Support for local composting**

We urge the passage of HB5195 and SB104, establishing a Compost Fund to support composting through a surcharge on all landfill bound waste. Rhode Island has a choice waste or wealth?







