About City Harvest







Mission

City Harvest exists to end hunger in communities throughout New York City. We do this through food rescue and distribution, education, and other practical, innovative solutions.

Our Story

City Harvest is New York City's first and largest food rescue organization. We collect nutritious food that would otherwise go to waste and deliver it, free of charge, to help feed the millions of New Yorkers who are struggling to put meals on their tables. Since 1982, we have rescued and delivered more than one billion pounds of food for our neighbors in need.

Our Response

Living in one of the world's most expensive cities, millions of hard-working New Yorkers are struggling to make ends meet. As City Harvest marks its 40th year serving New York City, the number of New Yorkers experiencing food insecurity remains extremely high.

City Harvest works alongside our community partners to boost community capacity, expand nutrition education, and strengthen local food systems. As New York City continues to contend with rising prices for basics like food and rent, we will rescue and deliver 75 million pounds of food this year—sustaining food rescue and delivery operations nearly 20% above pre-pandemic levels.

How we work:





Grocers, farms, manufacturers, and restaurants donate excess food that would otherwise go to waste.



Our fleet of 23 food rescue trucks deliver this food to hundreds of soup kitchens, food pantries, and other community food programs, free of charge.



Our partner community food programs and our own Mobile Markets® provide food to residents in need.





Donate Food

Run a food drive for City Harvest or drop off non-perishable items at existing drop off locations.



Fundraise

Any activity, large or small, can be an opportunity to fundraise for City Harvest and help feed our neighbors in need!



Volunteer

Your passion, skills, and time are important resources for our anti-hunger network.

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