

# RescuingLeftoverCuisine.org/M A

Rescuing Leftover Cuisine Bridges The Gap between nutritious unused food from businesses to their local soup kitchens & shelters to serve those in need.

{ Our main focus: surplus prepared food }

### WHY DONATE PREPARED FOOD?

There were 701,630 Food Insecure people in MA in 2015

(10.3% of the population).\*

Meanwhile...

Restaurants, Cafés, Hotels, Colleges, Offices, Venues, Events, etc. are throwing out **tons** of nutritious food every year. In 2016, there were 44,579 Weddings in MA,\*\* averaging 120 guests per event with 1 lb. per meal wasted. This totals **5,349,480 LBS** (nearly 2,675 tons) of wasted wedding food in MA in 2016. \*\*\*

\* Feeding America \*\* The Wedding Report \*\*\* RecyclingWorks

"Increasing the efficiency of our food system requires collaborative efforts by businesses, governments and consumers."

- The Natural Resources Defense Council

## WHAT FOOD IS LEGALLY ELIGIBLE TO DONATE?

- ★ All surplus fresh and prepared event food that has been properly stored and kept out of the danger zone may be donated UNLESS it has been plated and served.
- ★ Buffet and other food left out during Cocktails are eligible.
- ★ There are no liability issues based on Good Faith donation of Apparently Wholesome food, thanks to the Emerson Act.



# **BENEFITS FOR BUSINESSES**

- ★ Donating food saves you money via Enhanced Tax Savings IRC Section 170(e)(3).
- ★ Participation in RLC Restaurant Week.
- ★ Advertise across **40,000+** RLC supporters.
- ★ Increase customer and employee loyalty through company brand association with the common sense, green, social mission of RLC.
- Receive Swag via an RLC Social Badge, Newsletters and regular Social Media posts of food pickups at your establishment.



#### **BOSTON PARTICIPANTS**

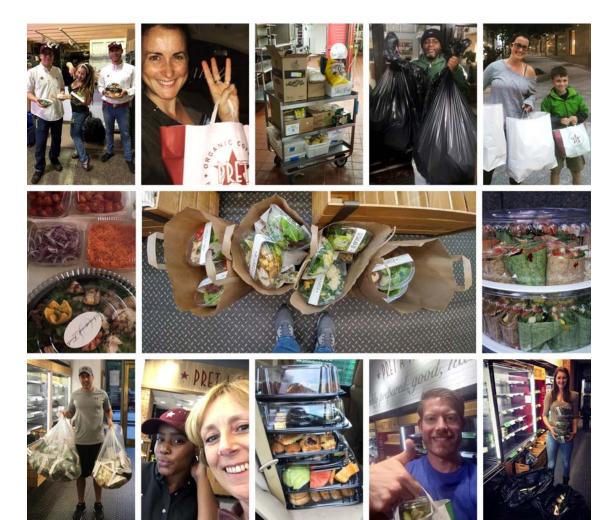


# WHO CAN VOLUNTEER?



- ★ Whether you're 9 or 99, travel by 4 wheels, 2 wheels or 2 feet, you can volunteer!
- ★ Parents and kids: a gratifying family effort.
- ★ Businesses to share a volunteer opportunity with your employees.
- ★ A positive addition to a **student's** resume.
- ★ Sports Clubs: on a run (literally)?! Plan your path based on our Donation Calendar.
- ★ Taxi, limo, courier or food delivery services: we'll give you extra props for making that extra stop.
- ★ Religious Organizations: a positive way to give
  back while connecting with your community.

### THIS IS WHAT RLC KINDNESS LOOKS LIKE













Rescuing Leftover Cuisine Massachusetts Proudly Thanks

**THEWESTIN** BOSTON WATERFRONT



















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a non-profit food rescue. so that only hunger is left behind.

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