



The Department of Health's Center for Food Protection has started a groundbreaking program structured by the policy goals expressed in Rhode Island's Food Strategy. *The Rhode to End Hunger* is an ambitious project that hopes to alleviate food hunger and insecurity in Rhode Island by creating a sustainable system in which food donors (restaurants, bakeries, catering companies; etc.) contribute their excess wholesome foods to soup kitchens and food pantries throughout the state of Rhode Island.

We would like you to be involved in our greater effort of reducing food insecurity. There is a web based application called MEANS that helps match food donors to meal sites such as you. The Department of Health is pairing with MEANS to make sure that unused wholesome food is given to people in need instead of disposed of. We are asking you to be on the frontline of our cause by being some the first organizations to take part in *The Rhode to End Hunger* by signing up for MEANS.

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