



U.S. Food Waste Challenge

Reduce, Recover, Recycle

E-mail completed forms to FoodWasteChallenge@oce.usda.gov.

Yes! We join with others across the United States to

- *Reduce* food loss and waste
- *Recover* wholesome food for human consumption
- *Recycle* discards to other uses including animal feed, composting and energy generation

Title of Waste Initiative: *USDA Food Waste Challenge:*

Organization(s): University of Illinois, Housing Dining Services.

What link should be provided on the U.S. Food Waste Challenge website?

<http://housing.illinois.edu/Current/Dining/Sustainability.aspx>

What is the food waste reduction, recovery, and/or recycling objective?

We will significantly reduce the food waste from our dining operations which goes to landfills. We will accomplish this through a variety of initiatives: these include removing trays from our AYCTE Dining operations, Donations to local Not-For-Profit Organizations, Composting Kitchen Scraps for our student garden, Utilizing the EnviroPure System (A self-contained, continual feed, organic food disposal system designed to convert food waste into water) and educating our customers and staff. To assess our success we will measure our food waste using the Lean Path system (an automated food waste tracking system).

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