



## The NSW Love Food Hate Waste Program Partnership Proposal

### Facts about food waste in NSW

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- NSW households throw away more than \$2.5 billion worth of edible food annually
- For every NSW household more than \$1,000 of food is thrown away each year
- Up to 60% of food waste could be avoided
- 74 per cent of business food waste is pre-consumer
- 40 per cent of a household's weekly garbage in NSW is food
- For every tonne of food waste avoided, 0.9 tonnes of greenhouse gas is saved.

When food is wasted, all the resources that are invested in the supply chain into producing, delivering, selling and disposing of food are lost. This not only has significant economic impact on households and businesses, it is also associated with large impacts on the environment such as methane and carbon dioxide emissions from landfills.

### About the Love Food Hate Waste program

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Love Food Hate Waste is a food waste avoidance education program which has been running in NSW since 2010. It aims to raise awareness of the food waste problem and provide households and business with the tools and knowledge to tackle it.

It's now part of the NSW EPA's Waste Less, Recycle More, a \$465.7 million initiative which is transforming waste and recycling in NSW. Love Food Hate Waste is helping to:

- Improve individuals' knowledge and awareness of the economic and environmental impacts of wasteful consumption of food
- Promote new sustainable behaviours to avoid food waste in the areas of planning, preparation and storage
- Encourage new behaviours to manage food waste better, (if it cannot be avoided)

## Why become a Love Food Hate Waste program partner?

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The NSW EPA Love Food Hate Waste partner program provides an opportunity for NSW businesses to be recognized by taking the lead in avoiding/ reducing unnecessary food waste. The program partner is also empowered to influence their industry and customers to manage their food purchases and minimize the amount of food waste created.

As well as saving on your business costs and improving efficiency, as a partner in the Love Food Hate Waste program, your organisation will:

- Be promoted at Love Food Hate Waste events, in our marketing material and online at [www.lovefoodhatewaste.nsw.gov.au](http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.nsw.gov.au) (where appropriate)
- Receive public recognition by NSW Government for your contribution to the program
- Be seen as a leader in achieving environmental sustainability
- Enjoy an enhanced Corporate Social Responsibility profile
- Be a part of the solution to environmental challenges facing NSW.
- Be able to use Love Food Hate Waste logo, resources, website and messages
- Receive FREE professional training and networking opportunities
- Have free access to Love Food Hate waste resources

## The Love Food Hate Waste program partner agrees to

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- Promote the Love Food Hate Waste program
- Link to the Love Food Hate Waste website from their website
- Work to reduce food waste in their organization, in line with the NSW Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Strategy 2014-2021

## How do I become a partner?

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Read the 'Partner Conditions' and complete the online application form, available at

<http://www.lovefoodhatewaste.nsw.gov.au/becomeapartner>

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### For further information

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