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GLEANSLO PARTICIPATES IN FOOD WASTE PREVENTION WEEK
Feeding families, not landfills

San Luis Obispo County- GleanSLO has kept over one million pounds of produce out of landfills.

Six years ago, a group of inspired community members and individuals from nonprofits came together to talk about rescuing excess produce that was grown in our county and sharing it locally with those in need. Together they envisioned a community where neighbors shared their produce, keeping it out of landfills and people were not hungry.

“Reducing food waste requires action by partners throughout the food system, including food growers, processors, and retailers. But it also requires action from all individuals as well as agencies, organizations, businesses, and community groups.” - Public Health Institute.

GleanSLO is a community effort of people who want to make a change. In 2017 alone GleanSLO rescued over 270,000 pounds of produce, keeping healthy produce out of the landfill and on tables.

“We are not only able to feed our community local, healthy food, but we are creating a more sustainable planet by keeping perfectly edible produce out of the landfill.” - Roxanne Sanders, GleanSLO Program Manager.

Please join us in bringing awareness to food waste during March 5th-9th for Food Waste Prevention Week. Sign up for a glean online at gleanslo.org.

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About GleanSLO, program of the Food Bank Coalition of San Luis Obispo County: GleanSLO is a program of the Food Bank that rescues nature’s bounty for the benefit of the community. The Food Bank Coalition is a non-profit, tax exempt organization, serving all of San Luis Obispo County through its direct food programs and network of community partners. The Food Bank’s mission is to alleviate hunger in San Luis Obispo County and build a healthier community. Last year, the Food Bank distributed 6.2 million pounds of food to help our neighbors struggling with hunger. Nearly half of the food we distributed was fresh produce, including produce harvested locally by the **GleanSLO** program. To learn more about GleanSLO and how to volunteer or donate your produce, please visit www.gleanslo.org. To learn more about the work done by the Food Bank Coalition throughout San Luis Obispo County, please visit www.slofoodbank.org.