



CT Coalition for Sustainable
Materials Management

Agenda

Increase Reuse and Recycling Working Group

Food: Wasting Less & Recovering More

March 14, 2023 / 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm

- I. Welcome and Introductory Remarks from Co-Chairs
 - **Ben Florsheim**, Mayor of Middletown
 - **Denise Raap**, 1st Selectperson, Town of Litchfield
- II. Federal Updates
 - **Christine Beling**, Project Engineer, U.S. EPA (EPA), Region 1
 - EPA's Food Waste Hierarchy; understanding the top of the pyramid
 - **Jennifer England**, Head of Partner Development, Food Rescue Hero
 - Food Donation Improvement Act of 2021
- III. Community Initiatives to Waste Less Food
 - **Krishana Abraham-Petrie**, Project Staff, Northeast Waste Management Officials' Association (NEWMOA)
 - End Food Waste Initiative Program in East Boston, Massachusetts
 - **Andrea Collins**, Senior Specialist, Sustainability Food systems, NRDC
 - "Save the Food" campaign
- IV. Business Tax Incentives
 - **Heather Latino**, Clinical Instructor, Center for Health Law and Policy Innovation, Harvard Law School
 - What are the Benefits and How Can Businesses Receive Federal Tax Credits?
- V. Food Recovery and Community Food Rescue
 - **Haley Schulman**, Site Coordinator, Food Rescue US
 - Food Rescue US – Impact in CT, How Can Municipalities Support their Work
 - **Lori Martin**, Executive Director, Haven's Harvest
 - Haven's Harvest – Impact in CT, How Can Municipalities Support their Work
 - **Sophie DeBode**, Clinical Student, Food Law and Policy Clinic, Harvard Law School
 - Legal Authority for Municipal Organic Waste Ban for Food Donation
 - **Harrison Nantz**, Legislative Director, CT DEEP
 - CT Legislative Update on Waste Reduction and Food Recovery
- VI. Q & A / Discussion
- VII. Next Meeting and Closing