

Donation Guidelines & Quick Reference



Fresh produce

No more than 10% decay, no interior mold (if solid produce), no exterior mold (if soft produce)



Cut produce

Must receive 10 days before "best use/best by" date

Why aren't we able to accept all fresh produce donations?

We provide nutritious foods for families and vulnerable populations that are experiencing food insecurity. North Texas Food Bank can take any produce that is 90% usable and 100% safe for human consumption.



Acceptable

Scarring, discoloration, misshapen, etc. any kind of physical defect



Reach out immediately

Short shelf life, wrinkling/yellowing/browning with age



Not acceptable

Mold or decay that impacts the product; mold exclusive to the exterior but impacts more than 10% of the donation

How our supply chain works

Our supply chain takes an average of 3 days to process food. If you wouldn't feed this to your grandma or your kids in 3 days, we likely can't use it.



Donations

Food comes from:
Community Food Drives, Food Retailers, Growers, Producers, and Manufacturers



North Texas Food Bank

Food is:
Weighed, Inspected, Sorted, Packed, and Shipped



Partner Location

Food is:
Received and Displayed



Partner Location Clients

Food is:
Selected

When in doubt, send a photo!