

**Cleaning Our Plate**  
SERDC 2016

**FOOD**  
**RECOVERY**  
**NETWORK**  
FIGHTING WASTE. FEEDING PEOPLE.

# FRN'S STORY

Founded in 2011 by  
students at University  
of Maryland who  
recognized a problem  
and felt empowered to  
find a solution

40% of food is wasted in  
the US

1 in 6 experience food  
insecurity



# 194 / 44

## Chapters & States





> 1.5  
million  
pounds

340+ FOOD DONORS

260+ PARTNER AGENCIES

# WHAT DO RECOVERIES LOOK LIKE?

Each one is unique

1.5 HOURS

3 VOLUNTEERS

5-2000 POUNDS

28 PER SEMESTER

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# FRN'S IMPACT IN COMMUNITIES

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On average, hunger-fighting partners save **\$142,499** per year.

Most partners report that they use those savings to offset the cost of other supplies, services, programs and other expenses.

When asked about benefits of FRN food, the **top 3 responses** were:

1. Introduces new variety
2. Easier to distribute
3. Better quality than other donated food

# FRN'S IMPACT ON CAMPUS

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More than 2,700  
volunteers

About 13,000 hours of  
service

92.7% students say  
they grew as leaders

“FRN has taught me that a huge part of being a leader is making sure to recognize and appreciate the actions of your fellow org members. I feel a lot of responsibility for how our org functions, but each and every member that contributes is crucial to making the organization run smoothly. Basically, the leader is nothing unless he/she has a great system of support.”

--Alec Armon, University of  
Wisconsin: Madison

**I'M NOT A STUDENT.  
WHAT CAN I DO?**

**Find student leaders!**



**Questions?  
Let's chat.**

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