Too Important to Waste

Food Waste Reduction and Recovery
Walmart Canada
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Aspirational Sustainability Goals

- To be supplied 100% by renewable energy
- To create zero waste
- To sell products that sustain people and the environment
Retail Food System

- Farm
  - Manufacture
  - Distribution
  - Merchandising
  - Operations

Point of Sale

- Consumers
- Surplus Donation
- Organics Recycling
- Landfill
Steps to eliminate food waste

Maximize what we sell

Donate what we CAN

Divert what we MUST

we can achieve 0% WASTE
In 2016 Walmart invested $6.6 million to increase capacity for food donation programs.

*Challenges:* continue to build capacity; legal and compliance barriers to donations; inconsistent store execution
Double Bottom Line benefit of Eliminating Food Waste

1 in 8 Canadians are FOOD INSECURE* while...

$31 billion worth of FOOD IS WASTED every year

Social Benefit
access to food to food insecure families

Business Benefit
Reduced cost to dispose of organics

*Food insecurity refers to the inability to afford enough food for an active, healthy life
Surplus food donated to food rescue and recovery partners

Food Banks Canada