

## LEKET ISRAEL 2021 The National Food Bank





Leket Israel mission is to rescue quality, nutritious food and deliver it to those in need





### **Hot Meal Collection**

### 1.2 M Hot Meals



Collection and Harvesting of Agricultural Produce from Farmers and Packaging Facilities

> 25 million Kgs. of Agricultural Produce

### Project Leket

#### Activities

Glean surplus produce from farmers, Moshavim and Kibbutzim (50%) and collect agricultural produce from packing houses (50%)

### Regional and Field Coordinators

Located in the fields, attend to the farmers when there's surplus food to be harvested, check the quality of the produce and manage the logistics involved

### Call Center

The call center reaches out to thousands of farmers to recruit them to donate their surplus produce to Leket

### **Professional Gleaners**

Leket Israel's experienced and skilled gleaners harvest in the farmers' fields. The crews arrive with all the required operational equipment: trucks, SUVs and tractors



### Leket Logistics

#### Reception of Agricultural Produce in Logistics Center

Tens of trucks with rescued produce from farmers arrive daily at the Logistics Center and are unloaded from bins and crates



The produce is placed in refrigerated rooms in the Logistics Center according to the type of produce and it's longevity

### Sorting and Packing

The produce is sorted by volunteers and packed either in bins or crates according to where it will be delivered either to a nonprofit organization (NPO) or directly to families

### Fulfilling Orders

The Logistics Department receives the orders that need to be filled from the Agency Relations department and prepares the orders according to the computerized distribution key and the requirement of each NPO









### Leket to Table

#### **Cooked Food Collection**

The food is collected by Leket Israel or its NPO partners and is distributed to the following places:

### Leket Israel Hubs

The cooked food is brought to Leket Israel hubs where it is stored overnight and heated and then taken out for delivery

### Soup Kitchens, NPOs that provide cooked food

The food is brought to the NPOs and distributed to the recipients

### Schools for At Risk Youth

The food is brought to feed At Risk Youth and provide them with nutritious food to help them succeed better in school.

### Government Housing for the Elderly

Elderly people enjoy the food while also receiving the company of others in the communal dining rooms.











### Agency Relations

#### Agency Relations Call Center

Being in contact with the NPOs regarding existing produce inventory and receiving orders from the NPOs via SMS

### Distribution Key

The distribution of the produce is carried out in accordance with an equal distribution key, which is based on the inventory of produce the NPOs needs, the population served and the number of recipients

### Reporting and Tracking

Transferring the daily orders to the Logistics Department. Following up with the NPOs to make sure they are satisfied and to address any special needs

### Special Projects

The Agency Relations Department handles special projects: a joint venture with Eshel Jerusalem and the Ministry of Welfare, special activities with the Bedouin community etc.





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### *Nutrition & Food Safety*

*Nutrition Workshops for Life* Proper Nutrition on a Limited Budget

### Nutritional Counselling

Improving the nutritional values of the food divided

### Consultation by the Association's staff

Training the Association's staff to put together healthy food packages and menus

#### Measurement of nutritional impact

Surveys and clinical studies to examine the nutritional value of food

### Food Safety

Quality and safety markings for the divided food

### Cooperation with the Ministry of Health

Work cooperation to adjust regulations to improve the nutrition of the required populations













### Volunteers

#### Responsible for all Volunteer Activities

Responsible for recruiting, training, placing operating, accompanying and retaining volunteers and adapting their work to the activities and needs of the organization

### **Recruiting Volunteers**

Leket's operations are dynamic and spread from north to south. Part of the department's expertise is locating volunteers in relevant networks, word of mouth, groups and forums in every geographic location

### Preservation of Volunteers

Maintaining personal and continuous contact with the volunteers whilst emphasizing personal contact throughout the year, prompt response to any request and offering benefits from time to time

### Volunteer Activities

A large part of Leket's activities are based on the work of the volunteers: sorting and packing produce in the Logistics Center, gleaning in the field, professional volunteering as well as transferring food to those supported, upon request

### Cooperation

Creating collaboration with local authorities, associations and companies that enable the connection of a community or organization to transfer the surplus food to the needy in various projects in the country



















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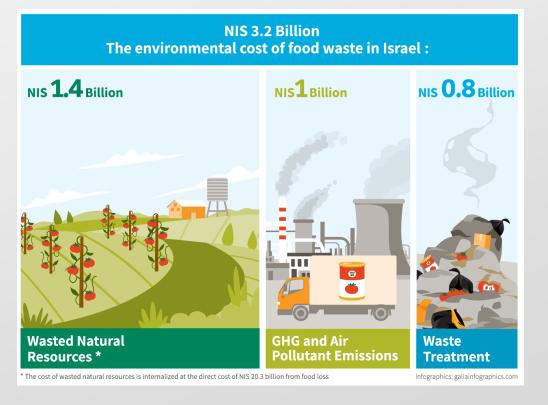




Total Environmental Cost of Food Waste



## 2019 REPORT FOOD WASTE AND RESCUE IN ISRAEL





### FOOD WASTE AND RESCUE IN ISRAEL

### Environmental Impact

Food waste is responsible for 6% of greenhouse gas emissions in Israel

70,000 tons of fuel that could fuel 160,000 cars in Israel annually

180 million cubic meters (180 billion liters) of fresh water, which would fill 56,000 Olympic-size

1 million dunams (~247 acres) of agricultural land, equivalent to 20x the size of Tel Aviv.

The total direct external economic cost for treating garbage originating from food waste in Israel in 2019 was approximately NIS 1.2 billion (US \$352 million).







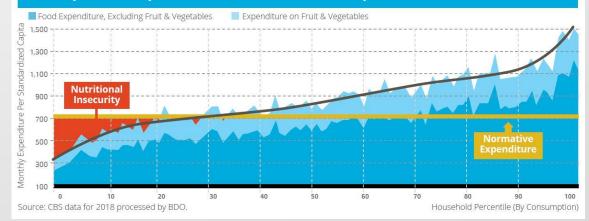






### FOOD WASTE AND RESCUE IN ISRAEL

#### Per Capita Food Expenditure in Israel to Normative Expenditure Percentile Distribution



### *Policy Recommendations*



### The Food Donation Act was enacted in 2018



Formulation of a national plan for reducing food loss and saving food

Setting a national target for reducing and saving food loss

*Government support for actions to reduce food loss and save food* 

*Food rescue in governmental budgeted bodies* 



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