

# **2025 LOOK AHEAD**

Key Events with GFN



### **FEBRUARY**

# Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development

February 20-23 | Bangkok, TH

An annual, inclusive intergovernmental forum to support follow-up and review of progress of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) at the regional level. Aimed to inform, empower and support Asia-Pacific countries.

### MARCH

# The Climate and Clean Air Conference

March 16-21 | Brasília, BR

Bringing together country representatives, global experts and changemakers to drive accelerated solutions for mitigating super pollutants and safeguarding our planet's future.

## GFN Latin America Food Bank Conference Reception March 20 | Medellin, COL

Join GFN and Asociación de Bancos de Alimentos de Colombia for this informal evening reception to connect with food bank leaders from 17 countries throughout Latin America and learn more about how they are working to transform food systems in their communities.

### APRIL

## **Skoll World Forum** April 1-4 | Oxford, UK

An <u>international event</u> that brings together social entrepreneurs, innovators, funders and leaders from various sectors to collaborate and discuss solutions to the world's most pressing problems.

#### MAY

# The Future of Food and Beverage

May 13-14 | Amsterdam, NL May 28-29 | Minneapolis, MN

Both two-day business conferences will highlight the practical steps key actors can take to build more sustainable, resilient and regenerative food systems.

### THAIFEX Anuga Asia: Future Food Experience+

May 27-31 | Bangkok, TH

Asia's largest food and beverage platform, where market leaders converge around products, deals, trends and growth in the food industry.

# JUNE

# The Consumer Goods Forum Global Summit June 10-13 | Amsterdam, NL

Retailers, manufacturers and service providers attend to discuss future business trends, to network, and share knowledge and best practices to overcome today's most pressing challenges.

# ReFED Food Waste Solutions Summit

June 23-25 | Seattle, WA

An <u>annual event</u> that brings together food businesses, funders and other stakeholders to discuss food waste solutions and the goal to drive the adoption of these solutions.

#### **SEPTEMBER**

## Climate Week NYC September 21 -25 New York City, NY

Taking place in partnership with the United Nations General Assembly. Business leaders, political changemakers, local decision makers, and civil society representatives from all over the world gather to speed up climate progress and champion change that is already taking place.

## NOVEMBER

### **COP 30**

November 10-21 | Belém, BR Conference of the Parties is

a key annual meeting to advance international climate negotiations. The event reviews effective implementation and shares progress made by members toward the Paris Agreement and climate action.

# PARTNER WITH GFN ON DAYS OF ACTION

### April/May

Join GFN as we celebrate
Earth Day (April 22) and World
Farmers Day (May 14) by helping
amplify our spring storytelling
campaign. Engage with our
social media campaign and share
the stories of how our food bank
partners around the world are
supporting their communities
by providing so much
More Than Food.

### September/October

For International Day of Awareness of Food Loss and Waste (September 29) and World Food Day (October 16), raise awareness of how food banks address some of the world's toughest challenges.

Participate in our global awareness campaign, *Food for Change*, on social media and help spread the word on the important role of food banking in reducing food loss and waste.

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR YEAR-ROUND ENGAGEMENT

Host a Lunch & Learn: Host an informative lunch and learn session in your workplace. GFN and partners will provide a tailored, engaging session to help your employees learn more about GFN and how they can get involved.

### **Consider a Friendly Competition:**

Form teams by department, region or division and track competition results with an online leaderboard through hosting a Peer2Peer workplace giving campaign. Offer incentives and share successes internally. As with all employee engagement, involving company leadership is critical to your campaign's success.

Engage in Transformative Skills-Based Projects: Provide your employees a virtual opportunity to develop leadership skills and benefit network food banks with our custom volunteer options.

Thank-A-Food Banker: Share your support for food bank staff and volunteers around the world by signing a card and sharing your words of gratitude and encouragement for one of our partner food banks.

To learn more, contact your relationship manager or <u>email our</u> <u>Development team</u>.





84%

of donors say they're more likely to donate if a match is offered.

> Source: The Big-Give Research Initiative

> > **75**%

DID YOU KNOW?

of companies that offer both giving and volunteering opportunities have two times more engagement than companies only offering giving or volunteering.

Source: Blackbaud & YourCause, 2022

