



A Food Policy For Canada Update

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A Food Policy for Canada

***Vision:** All people in Canada are able to access a sufficient amount of safe, nutritious, and culturally diverse food. Canada's food system is resilient and innovative, sustains our environment and supports our economy.*

- The Government engaged with a wide variety of Canadians and stakeholders during Food Policy consultations.
 - Various food processor associations participated
- Will facilitate collaboration among governments and diverse stakeholders to improve food system outcomes.

Budget 2019 – A Food Policy for Canada, \$134.4 million, over 5 years for near-term actions to help address key food related opportunities and challenges.



Help Canadian Communities Access Healthy Food

- Local Food Infrastructure Fund - **\$50 million**
- Tackling Food Fraud - **\$24.4 million**
- National School Food Program



Make Canadian Food the Top Choice at Home and Abroad

- Buy Canadian Promotion Campaign - **\$25 million**
- Export Diversification Strategy
- Three-Year Immigration Pilot

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Support Food Security in Northern and Indigenous Communities

- Harvesters Support Grant
- Northern Isolated Community Initiative Fund - **\$15 million**



Reduce Food Waste

- Food Waste Reduction Challenge - **\$20 million**
- Federal Leadership in Food Waste Reduction

Opportunities for Food Processors:

- To inform the approach across the food system to meet key food policy objectives (e.g. food waste reduction).
- To engage in the Buy Canadian campaign that would help promote Canadian food products.
- To develop innovative partnerships across the food system to help advance food security and healthy food outcomes.

Next steps...

- Finalize and launch *A Food Policy for Canada*
- Engage on:
 - Initiatives announced as part of the Food Policy
 - Achieving greater coordination and coherence across food system