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Food Saver Squad Green Heart Action Plan Clean The Earth

Food Waste

Problem Definition/ problem Statement

Food waste: Food waste is edible food discarded at any stage from farm to fork, a significant problem in the US.

(30-40%) wasting resources contributing to greenhouse gases, and missing opportunities to feed hungry people, with solutions involving better planning, storage, using leftovers, composting and supporting food rescue programs.

Root Cause of the Problem

Food waste stems from issues across the entire supply chain including overproduction, strict aesthetic standards, poor storage and handling, retail overstocking, confusing date labels, consumer overbuying, oversized portions and a lack of understanding about proper storage and food use, creating systemic waste from farm to fork.

