Frequently Asked Questions

Can I bring my friend?
Yes! Encourage them to sign up here so we can keep track of how many people are coming to each harvest so we don’t have too many or too few volunteers.

Can I bring my kids?
Gleaning is a valuable educational experience and a wonderful opportunity for young people to give back to the community. In most cases, children are welcome and encouraged to participate in gleans. If for some reason children are not allowed to participate in a glean, we will let you know. Parents and/or legal guardians will need to sign our liability waiver for themselves and their children at the glean.

What should I bring?
Bring water, and please take care of any bathroom needs before arriving at the glean. Access to a restroom is unlikely.

What should I wear?
- Sunblock
- Long-sleeved T-shirt
- Long pants
- Comfortable closed-toe shoes
- A hat and/or protective glasses (trees are often dusty)

Has the fruit been sprayed with chemicals?
Sometimes. We glean in both organic and regular orchards. We will identify what type of orchard it is when we announce the glean.

I completed the Volunteer Registration Form. Am I signed up for the glean?
Not yet. You have completed the first step of giving us your contact information. You will now receive emails about upcoming gleans with a link to sign up for the glean, or you can visit the Events page on the website where upcoming gleans are listed and sign up for a glean there.

I signed up for a glean. When will I get the address?
After you sign up for a glean you will receive an email with details about where and when.
Make sure that we have your contact information so we can put you on the gleaning roster. If you have not previously registered as a volunteer, fill out the Volunteer Registration Form. You need to complete this form only once.
I signed up for a harvest, and now I can’t go. What should I do?

Just send us an email and let us know if you can. We understand things change.

Do I have to stay at the harvest for the entire time?

No, we appreciate whatever time you can give.

Do You Harvest Rain or Shine?

Pretty much! But we will cancel gleans in extreme heat or smoke. In these cases, look out for an email from the gleaning coordinator.