

## IN THE NEWS: *Elected Official Events and Visits are in Full Swing!*

Second Harvest has been busy this summer with several events and visits with our local elected officials:

**Irvine Mayor Larry Agran** held his summer volunteer event at Harvest Solutions Farm on Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup>, where volunteers helped to harvest over 16,000 pounds of zucchini and yellow squash for the community.

**Irvine Councilmembers William Go** and **Betty Martinez Franco** also stopped by Second Harvest for visits and tours this past month.



## BEYOND POLICY: *Summer Community Conversations*

Second Harvest works to center the voices of the community in our advocacy efforts. We do this by holding listening sessions, called Community Conversations, with our neighbors receiving food from our food distribution partners. These conversations aid in community-building by fostering communication between the Food Bank and the community we serve, with the goal of identifying and keeping a pulse on the root causes of hunger specific to our region.

We held our Summer 2025 Community Conversations at Rose Drive Friends Church in Yorba Linda and Boys & Girls Club of Garden Grove, where we were able to talk with community members who frequent those two food pantries. Thank you to our wonderful partners for hosting these conversations!



## ON THE CALENDAR:

**Hunger Action Month is coming in September!**

Check out the [Hunger Action Month Community Calendar](https://www.feedoc.org/hunger-action-month).