

## **Fight Food Waste Limited**

### **Scoping a Food Waste Reduction Plan for the Health and Aged Care Sectors**

#### **Internship available for Semester 2, 2022**

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Fight Food Waste Ltd. is an independent not-for-profit company with two operating components, the Fight Food Waste Cooperative Research Centre and Stop Food Waste Australia. We work with partners across Australia to reduce food waste, drive innovation and improve productivity, resilience and sustainability of our food systems.

#### **Project: Scoping a Food Waste Reduction Plan for the Health and Aged Care Sectors**

##### **Internship Details:**

- Internship Availability: Semester 2, 2022
- Internship Discipline/s: Environmental Science; Environmental Policy; Sustainability; Science
- Internship Level: Undergraduate 3<sup>rd</sup> year
- Available to International Students: Yes
- Preferred Project Skills:
  - Data analysis and visualisation
  - Structured research skills
  - Good oral and written communication skills
- Clearances Required: No
- Host Supervisors:  
Carolyn Cameron, Sector Action Plan Lead, Stop Food Waste Australia (E: [Carolyn.cameron@fightfoodwastecrc.com.au](mailto:Carolyn.cameron@fightfoodwastecrc.com.au); Ph: 0434 666 304), and  
Dr Dianne McGrath, REDUCE Program Leader, Fight Food Waste CRC (E: [dianne@fightfoodwastecrc.com.au](mailto:dianne@fightfoodwastecrc.com.au); Ph: 0449 835 853)
- Location
  - Regus Serviced Offices
  - 15 Tench St
  - Kingston, ACT
  - Some work can be undertaken remotely - TBC
- Project opportunities/benefits for the intern:
  - Research planning
  - Systems analysis
  - Stakeholder engagement
  - Professional communications
  - Policy review
  - Interpreting curriculum documents and data to plan resource needs

**Summary:**

Australia has signed up to the UN Sustainable Development Goal 12.3 – to reduce Australia's food waste by half by 2030. To ensure this goal is met, every sector across the food supply chain from farm to fork needs to make improvements in how they purchase, prepare, use and dispose of food.

One sector that is particularly challenging is the Institutions sector. Here, in hospitals and aged care, food is a key component of the care provided to patients and residents.

Our project is to scope a food waste reduction sector action plan for the Institutions sector, commencing with developing a clear picture of the sector overall, then drilling down to food waste pathways. We will work with stakeholders in the sector and build on our knowledge to develop several case studies of how high-performing care providers are reducing food waste in their organisations.