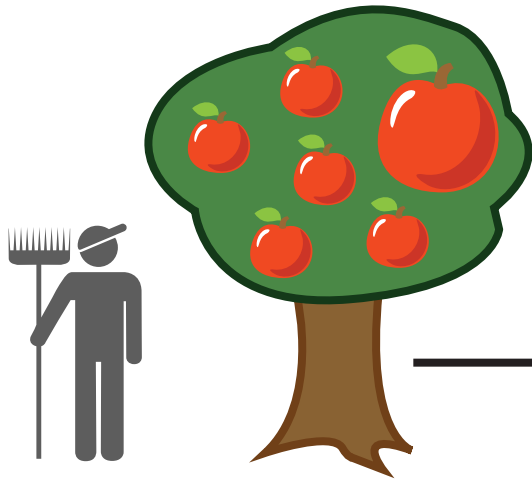
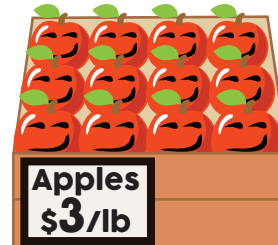
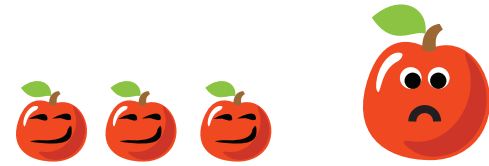


How does the Food Bank of Contra Costa and Solano give away so much produce?



Farmers grow fruits and vegetables with the goal of selling to big grocery stores.



Some produce does not meet grocery industry standards for size or appearance.



Volunteers bag the produce to make it easy to give away.



Instead of being discarded, this produce is given to food banks at a big discount.



More than 10 million pounds of produce is given out each year at Food Bank programs and partner agencies.