1 in 10 of Feeding America’s 46.5 million clients are students. This report includes 2 million full-time students.

WHY IS A FOOD PANTRY SO IMPORTANT?

Report choosing between paying for food and education.

Sources: Hunger in America 2014

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The mission of the ASI food pantry is to provide food and basic necessities to Sac State students at no cost. In addition to helping alleviate hunger within our student community, the ASI food pantry aims to decrease the impact that food insecurities has on the academic success of our students.
Located in Yosemite 163, the ASI food pantry is expected to provide non-perishable food items and toiletries 3 days per week.

- Tuesdays: 10am-2pm
- Wednesdays: 2pm-6pm
- Thursdays: 10am-2pm
Students will be allotted up to 16 points per week.

Each student may visit the pantry \textit{ONCE} per week.

Working with ASI IT and campus IRT to incorporate a system that verifies student eligibility through the one card.*

- Green Light Indicator – Eligible
- Red Light Indicator – Ineligible

\textit{*Confidentiality and Students Only}
Items will be separated into 3 categories using a point system.

- 1 point = Side dish or toiletry item
- 2 points = One meal
- 3 points = More than one meal
SAMPLE LIST OF ITEMS BY POINT VALUE

** 1 point  
Examples of sides  

Box of Oatmeal  
Canned fruit  
Canned beans  
Canned chili/stew  
Small canned soup  
Canned tuna  
Canned vegetables  
Pancake/baking mix  
Top ramen noodles  

** 3 points  
Examples of multiple meals  

Dry beans  
Boxed cereal  
Rice pasta (1lb gluten free)  

** 2 points  
Examples of single meals  

Medium canned soap  
Peanut butter  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Rice (1lb bag)  
Pasta (1lb bag)  
Large canned soup  

** 1 point  
Examples of toiletry items  

Hand/body lotion  
Hand soap  
Sanitary Pads  
Shampoo  
Tampons  
Toilet paper  
Toothbrush  
Toothpaste  
Bath soap  

** Sample List Taken from http://thepantry.ucdavis.edu/services.html
The following parameters have been determined to assist with maintaining a balance of items available through the pantry:

- During one visit students may select:
  - Up to four 1-point items
  - Up to three 2-point items
  - Up to two 3-point items
Under the direct supervision of the Director of Student Engagement & Outreach, the ASI food pantry will be managed as follows:

- One A-Team Food Pantry Coordinator will be responsible for the regular operations of the pantry with coverage/assistance and food solicitation event coordination support from the A-Team Community Service Event Coordinator. Both are student positions.

- Volunteer opportunities have been identified to allow members of the campus community to contribute to the operation of the food pantry.
PARTNERSHIPS

- **Existing Partners**
  - Athletics
  - Division of Social Work
  - Facilities Services
  - Food Pantry Advisory Committee
  - IRT
  - Student Affairs

- **Partners in Progress**
  - Alumni Relations
  - Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services

- **Potential Partners**
  - Campus Departmental Food/Toiletry Drives
  - Local Grocers
The A-Team Community Service Coordinator will be tasked with the responsibility of coordinating campus food campaigns to support the ASI food pantry.

Current ideas under consideration include:
- Toiletry Solicitation Event
- The “Souper” Bowl
  - Possible partnership with Athletics
- Club Challenge
  - Possible partnership with Student Organizations and Leadership (SOA) for solicitation and participation
  - Possible partnership with Homecoming to get reserved homecoming tailgate spot
- March Madness tournament or shoot out
  - Possible partnership with Athletics/ Intramural basketball

*Individual donations will also be accepted*
Volunteer support will first be sought through:

- Leadership Initiative Participants
- Leaders within registered student clubs and organizations
- Members of the campus community who have an individual expressed interest in volunteering

Some areas of volunteer support will include:

- Assistance with inventory
- Stocking shelves
- Managing expiration/best used dates
- Disposing of expired/ineligible food
- Assisting with food solicitation events
- Assisting with daily food pantry operations
PERMITS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- **Sacramento Food Bank and Family Services**
  - Application *(submitted and awaiting approval)*
  - Food Handler Certification *(in progress)* or Food Manager Certification required.

- **Environmental Management Department**
  - Permit to be obtained upon completion of space renovation.
Purpose
The purpose of the Food Pantry Advisory Committee is to provide cross departmental support to ensure the overall success of the ASI Food Pantry and its support to Sac State students. Advisory committee members are tasked with providing thoughtful insight on behalf of their respective departments and the student community.

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