



Food for Thought Monthly Newsletter April 2023

Pantry Location:

Newcomb Hall First Floor, Room 144 Student Activities Center

Pantry Hours:

Monday-Thursday, Saturday:
7am-Midnight
Friday: 7am-9pm
Sunday: 8am-Midnight

Contact Us:

For general questions or concerns, please email pantryatuva@gmail.com

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UVA COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Meet the Team!







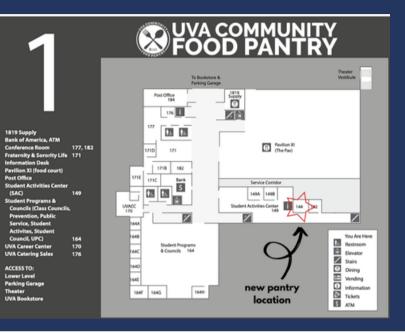






Where to Find the Pantry

The UVA Community Food Pantry is located in the Student Activities Center on the 1st floor of Newcomb Hall, room 144.





The CFP Mission

The UVA Community Food Pantry (CFP) is a **student-run initiative** that aims to eliminate the financial hardships of UVA students and staff in attempting to access adequate food by **providing essential food and hygiene items**.

CFP also aims to **identify and quantify food insecurity** at UVA in order to **advocate for a just food system** for all members of the UVA community.

SAC Renovations & the Pop-Up Pantry



The pop-up pantry was stocked on Friday, 2/24 to prepare for the closure of the Student Activities Center (SAC) from 2/27 to 3/15. With plenty of canned goods, bread, fresh fruit and more, Conference Room 164 H became the temporary location of the CFP!





Shout Out!

A big thank you to the Student Council for providing ready-made bags of groceries for individuals remaining on Grounds over Spring Break!

Spotlight on Kaitlyn Parks



Kaitlyn joined the team the spring of 2022 and we could not have been luckier to work with her and get to know her! As she transitions out of her Graduate Assistant role and prepares for graduation from the Batten School's Master's in Public Policy program, we want to publicly thank her for incredibly hard and thoughtful work.

Kaitlyn brought with her a vast knowledge of nutrition insecurity work and was a great thought partner and champion as we expanded our operations. Just a few of Kaitlyn's numerous, invaluable contributions include creating the first ever annual report, establishing our partnership with the Blue Ridge Area Food Bank, and creating a strategic planning charter.

On a more personal note, we are grateful for Kaitlyn's smile that lit up every room, her creativity, and her desire to build relationships beyond the work. We are so excited to cheer Kaitlyn on in all of her future endeavors as we seek to continue her great work here at UVA.

Emergency Financial Aid Options at UVA



<u>The Hoo Needs Help Program</u> is a partnership between the Division of Student Affairs and Student Financial Services.

Aid may come in a variety of forms, including grants, loans and/or university and community resources.

The HNH team will usually contact students within 5-7 business days of their application being submitted. Response times may be longer than usual over weekends, holidays, or when the University is not in session.

After you submit your application, someone will reach out to discuss all options available to you, including unused financial aid.

Click here to apply!

Did you know?

Student Financial Services offers

Peer Financial Counseling for a variety
of topics, including budgeting, student
loans, managing personal credit, and more!

Click here to learn more!

Emergency Financial Aid, Continued

Short-Term Funding Options

Emergency Loan from Student Financial Services (SFS): The Emergency Loan is a short-term, interest-free loan available to undergraduate students for up to \$500 and graduate students for up to \$750 per semester.

The loan is due on the last day of the month after it is taken out (e.g. a loan taken out any day in February will be due March 31). As long as it is paid on time, there is no fee or interest. If it is paid late, there is a one-time late fee of \$10.

To apply for an Emergency Loan, please email sfs@virginia.edu

Honor Loan from Student Safety & Support: The Honor Loan Fund is a stand-alone fund established to aid full-time University students in meeting their small, short-term financial needs by issuing interest-free loans for a maximum of \$1,000.

Like the SFS emergency loan, the Honor Loan is due on the last day of the month after it is taken out and has a one-time, \$10 late fee for late payments.

To apply for the Honor Loan, please email studentaffairs@virginia.edu

Thank you for reading this month's edition of

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We want to hear from you!

Please complete our anonymous
Google Form to share what items you
would like to see more of in the
Community Food Pantry!

bit.ly/uvapantrysurvey

Topics to Look Forward to in Future Editions:

Applying for SNAP Benefits

Connecting with Student Safety and Support

Getting Involved with the CFP

Mental Health Resources

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