



ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

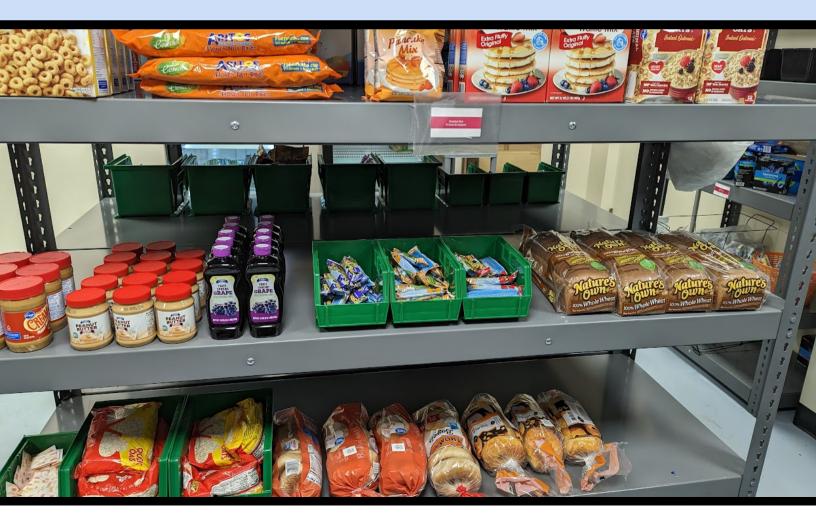


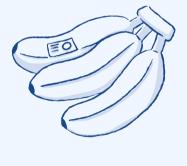
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CFP MISSION

The UVA Community Food Pantry (CFP) seeks to eliminate financial hardships of UVA students and staff by providing free access to essential food and hygiene items.

The 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.

HISTORY & GOVERNANCE

Originally a program of the Student Council in 2018, the CFP now functions as an independent student-run initiative with support from the Student Safety and Support Team (SS&S). This work directly aligns with SS&S's mission to support students individually, collectively, and through student organizations to assist them in their intellectual and personal development. An unpaid Student Director and volunteer board, known as the Executive Committee, hold a variety of positions to maintain daily operations.

A Graduate Assistant and a Basic Needs Case Manager were hired by the SS&S Team in 2022 to support program expansion in food security, emergency financial aid, and other basic needs resources, along with engaging with community partners, collecting data regarding services, and supporting student leaders on CFP projects. These roles are supervised by an Assistant Dean in SS&S with additional support from University Partners.

OUR IMPACT: 2022-2023

From the 22/23 academic year swipe access reports, we can see that the total number of visits to the Community Food Pantry (CFP), as well as the total number of unique patrons, have <u>increased by over 100%</u> when compared to the last academic year.



VISITS BY ACADEMIC YEAR Number of Visits Faculty & Staff 7.9% Black Second Year 16.4% Asian **Graduate Students** 18.3% Hispanic Multiethnic Not Specified Third Year White 26.6% 0 50 100 150 200 250 Fourth Year 27.1%



Achievements this Academic Year

CAPACITY-BUILDING

Increased stocking trips to 2x/week, focusing on increasing cold food supply

Began ordering additional grab-and-go items via Amazon to maintain the snack stock between restocking days

Created a back-stocking system and established a back-stocking storage space for in-demand non-perishable items

Developed weekly CFP stock reports to identify trends in item consumption and usage

Created Standard Operating Procedures, aligning our work with national best practices

Hired a Basic Needs Coordinator with experience in student support and fund development & brought on another Graduate Assistant with experience in food, social, and environmental justice work, both at UVA and beyond

ACCESSIBILITY & OUTREACH

Increased allergy-friendly and vegan/vegetarian canned, prepared, and cold food options

Added magnetic shelf labels in English, Spanish, and Mandarin

Expanded giving opportunities through the creation of an Amazon Wishlist View the Wishlist Here

Developed a monthly newsletter, "Food for Thought," with CFP updates, as well as UVA and community resources - <u>Subscribe Here</u>

Successfully held a Pop-Up Pantry to continue to serve the community during the Student Activities Center Renovations (more on next page)

Will receive 1,200 pounds of food in Fall 2023 as a result of April's Meal Swipe Donation Event, thanks to the help of our generous students and UVA Dine



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!









Back Stocking

The CFP team has increased back-stocking efforts considerably since February after gaining access to a large closet space in the Student Activities Center (SAC). Buying bulk amounts of popular items, including granola bars, cereals, pasta sauces, and certain canned foods allows the students to restock the pantry between shopping trips.







Stock the Pantry Meal Swipe Donation Event



On April 27th, UVA Dine and the Community Food Pantry partnered for the Stock the Pantry Event, an opportunity for students to donate extra meal swipes to directly benefit the CFP.

UVA Dine will donate a pound of food for every meal swipe donated by students, and over the course of the day, the UVA community donated approximately 1,200 meal swipes -

That is 1,200 pounds of food!



Supporting the CFP

DONATING TO THE CAUSE

The UVA Community Food Pantry is endlessly grateful for community support that goes directly towards stocking and managing the pantry. Click here to donate monetarily to the pantry through a secure platform!

You can also purchase the most in-demand food and hygiene items through our <u>Amazon Wishlist!</u> These orders are sent directly to the CFP. Your generous support helps us keep this essential resource well stocked.

If you have any questions or wish to connect on other ways to support our efforts, please reach out to <u>studentaffairs@virginia.edu</u>.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

If you would like to volunteer to help with our restocking or back-stocking trips, please reach out to <u>Eleanor Steiner</u>. We look forward to hearing from you!



<u>ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS</u>

The UVA Community Food Pantry continues to expand its capacity to serve the greater UVA community, thanks to the help of our many donors and collaborators. The CFP would not be where we are today without this wonderful, generous network of support. We are deeply appreciative of those who have shared their time and knowledge to help strengthen our work, as well as those who have donated pantry staples and funding to support this vital service on grounds.

Thank you for your continued support of the CFP! We would like to acknowledge some of our partners who go above and beyond to support UVA students, faculty and staff:

- UVA Parents Program
- Blue Ridge Area Food Bank
- Dairy Market
- Fraternity and Sorority Life
- Loaves and Fishes Food Pantry
- McIntire School of Commerce
- Maxine Platzer Lynn Women's Center
- Morven Kitchen Garden
- Piedmont Virginia Community College
- Student Council

- Student Engagement
- The Office of Health Promotion
- The School of Education
- The School of Engineering
- The School of Nursing
- University Baptist Church
- UVA Club of Charlottesville
- UVA Dine
- UVA Sustainability Food Collaborative
- ...and so many more!

Thank You for a Fantastic Year!







Pantry Location:

Newcomb Hall First Floor, Room 144 Student Activities Center

Regular Pantry Hours:

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

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