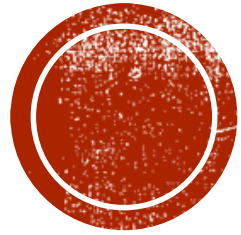


UWM FOOD CENTER & PANTRY INFORMATION

Fall 2018



WHY DOES THE UWMFCP EXIST?



WHY?

- More low-income students are enrolling in college thanks to expanded need based scholarships and grant programs, but find that these programs are not enough to cover the full costs
- Pell grants have not kept up with the raising costs of college
- Competition for low-wage jobs has increased
- Strict work requirements for food stamp recipients make many college students ineligible
- Other thoughts?

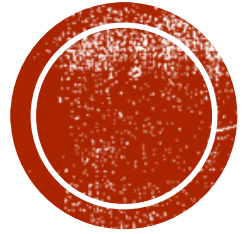
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WHO?

- Wisconsin HOPE Lab Survey
 - Demographic groups that are more likely to be food insecure at UWM:
 - Non-binary (in this study, this terminology was used to describe all gender identities other than cisgender male and female)
 - LGBT+ students
 - Students of color
 - Students who receive Pell Grants
 - Students who work 21-40+ hours per week
 - Students who live off of campus





POLICIES & PROCEDURES



OVERVIEW

- Location: Union 348 (near Dean of Students Office)
- Fall hours:
 - Monday from 9 AM-6 PM
 - Thursday from 4:30 PM-8:30 PM
 - Key access available at any time from the Dean of Students Office, LGBT Resource Center, Inclusive Excellence Center, or the Student Association
- Open to UWM students, faculty, and staff
 - Non-UWM community members should be referred to outside resources such as the Riverwest Food Pantry
 - If someone is a member of the UWM community but does not have their ID, they will NOT be turned away
- This service is FREE and individuals do NOT need to show proof of need
- The pantry is an open shopping experience with no limits on what or how much food people can take.



GUIDING FCP VALUES & RULES

Dignity – Privacy – Respect – Welcoming – Accepting – Accessible

- There is no “us” and “them”
- The Pantry is an affirming space as well as an accepting space
- ALL members of the UWM community are welcome – students, faculty, and staff – and will not be turned away (even if they forget their ID)
- No proof of need is necessary
- All visits are anonymous
- No photos/tours/videos/visits/eating while the pantry is open
- The FCP is a shared space between the Pantry and Restaurant Operations – treat it with respect



OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

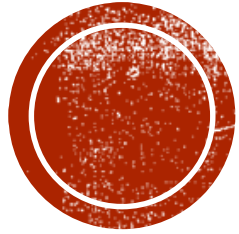
- Volunteer Food Policy
- Visitor Policy
- Non-UWM Member Policy
- Food Expiration Policy
- Medication Donation Policy



TO REFER A STUDENT

- Advise them of open hours
 - Mondays 9-6
 - Thursdays 4:30-8:30
- Refer them to a keyholder for emergency access
 - LGBT Resource Center
 - Inclusive Excellence Center
 - Student Association Office
 - Dean of Students
- Email foodassist@uwm.edu





VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



FALL 2018 OPPORTUNITIES

- **Staffing the Pantry**
 - Greeting and checking in shoppers
 - Assisting shoppers as needed
 - Cleaning and organizing pantry space
- **Inventory/Collection**
 - Weekly collection from permanent boxes
 - Taking weekly inventory and stocking shelves
 - Ensure that expired foods are removed from pantry
- **Committees**

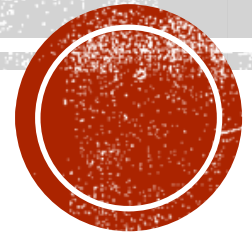


OCTOBER FOOD DRIVE

- Now through October 31st; boxes are located across campus
- In need of:
 - Culturally affirming foods (rice, lentils, etc.)
 - Canned proteins
 - Alternative milks (soy, coconut, almond)
 - Canned fruits
 - Soups
 - Cooking oil
 - Hygiene products (deodorant, detergent, menstrual supplies)
 - Peanut butter



WRAPPING UP



CONTACT US!

- Pantry Location: Union 348
- Email: foodassist@uwm.edu
- Website: <https://uwm.edu/studentassociation/uwmfcp/>
- Facebook: [@uwmfoodassist](#)

