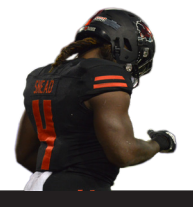
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Arkansas State food pantry does good

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For students and faculty in need of food, the Arkansas State University Food Pantry provides anyone with a valid A-State ID the resources they need. There is no income requirement to receive food and it is free and confidential.

The Food Pantry is completely student run through Volunteer A-State. It receives donations from registered student organizations, item drives and individual donations.

"Anybody can donate, it doesn't matter if they're a student, faculty or staff member or whether they're just someone random in the community," said Madeleine Volner, a senior strategic communications major from Jonesboro and president of Volunteer A-State. "We love thanking everyone who comes to donate and hoping that they see the impact they're making by making a small contribution to the Food Pantry."

Those who want to donate can do so during the Food Pantry's operating hours. It is open three days a week on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 2 p.m. to 6 p.m.

While the Food Pantry will accept a multitude of items, they are in need of cereal, vegetables, canned food, frozen food like burritos and pizzas, laundry detergent and hygiene products.

Jameson Archer, a sophomore nursing major from Sheridan and co-chair of the Food Pantry, said some unusual items needed include tomatoes, breakfast sandwiches and games.

"One thing that everyone's always super excited about is when we have can openers and knives and condiment items as well like ketchup and mustard. Those types of things or any sort of seasonings are always helpful," Volner said.

If students are interested in helping out, they can participate in various fundraising and donation events held throughout the year. They can also contact Bekah Hickman, director of Volunteer A-State and pay attention to the Food Pantry's social media pages on Facebook and Instagram.

Students can reach out to be on Volunteer A-State's volunteer email list, which provides opportunities every two weeks.

If students want to volunteer, they need to apply at the beginning of the semester.

"At the beginning of each semester we all share on social media and on the Daily Digests that we have open positions. (Students) have to fill out an application and those usually close about the first or second week of school," Volner said. "We open the pantry the second or third week of school and so we have to get our own materials as the school year starts."

With the holiday season coming up, the Food Pantry is about to begin its Fill the Pantry campaign. This drive aims to fill up the pantry in preparation for the Food Pantry's holiday initiatives such as the holiday bag campaign.

"We (give out) holiday bags where we will give out a week's worth of food. We'll have a whole Thanksgiving meal– basically everything you can think of turkey, pumpkin, cranberry sauce," Archer said.

The initiative will give out 125 bags of food. In addition to pulling from the Food Pantry's stock, it also relies on registered student organizations providing food.

"For free food and groceries, there is not a stigma around who we serve," Volner said. "We'd love to serve you if you're in need."

The Food Pantry is located at 2907 E. Johnson Ave.

SGA Members discuss goals for A-State

Members meet with different deans to discuss ideas

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Student Government Association members discuss their goals and visions for Arkansas State University at Tuesday night's meeting with the deans.

"This is something we do every year. It is a great way for students who are representing their college to get in contact with their deans firsthand. Student senators are always looking for ways to improve their college so this is a way that they can go straight to the source," SGA President Carlee Bird said.

Bird, a senior strategic communications major, said she likes the first-hand connections that members get like meeting with A-State faculty and staff.

"This is one of the reasons why I love SGA because it's a great way to network and be a more professional person. It's just great," Bird said.

One of the changes that was implemented from a previous SGA meeting with deans was the Career Closet. The program was designed to help students get professional clothes for job interviews or any business event.

The closet is located on the 2nd floor of the College of Business in Rooms 207 & 208.

Kylee Wood, a Senior a biology major from New York, Arkansas, discussed scheduling and healthy options in the Lab Sciences Building with her dean, Jenifer Bouldin PhD.

"Our Dean (Bouldin) seemed to take it very well; she added some great comments and was really encouraging," Wood said. "I think it will go pretty well as far as changes."

Jim Washam PhD was one of the deans in attendance. Washam is over the Neil Griffin College of Business. To bring some of the students' proposed ideas like, changing the general education requirements, require meetings with different committees.

"I can make the suggestion to go to the college curriculum committee and say 'hey would you guys want to look at this and spend time with students and start looking at it'," Washam said.



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SGA members and college deans meeting.

Each SGA member has a different set of goals they want to achieve for the year.

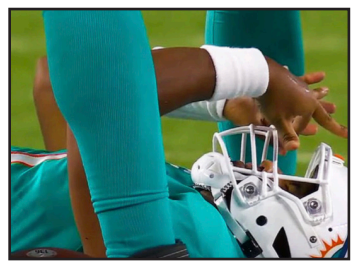
Catherine Hernandez, a sophomore psychology major from Jonesboro, discusses several overall goals for the SGA.

"We're really looking to try to incorporate more senators and other organizations and really try to pass more resolutions to make a difference in A-State," Hernandez said.

SGA has three more meetings for the semester on Oct. 25, Nov. 8 and Nov. 29.

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