



FRESH Food Pantry

(Food, Resources & Education to Stop Hunger)

A CHABOT COLLEGE STUDENT INITIATIVE

FROM RAGE

~~Revolutionaries Advocating for Greener Ecosystems~~

MISSION

To address food insecurity at Chabot and within the larger community in order to reduce hunger as a roadblock to educational and personal achievement. To expand and scale this program by teaming up with Chabot's new SOIL program and Sustainability Center initiative.

Overview

We will request assistance from Chabot College to:

- Provide a space for permanent food pantry operations
- Fund the retrofitting of the permanent food pantry space with shelving and a refrigerator
- Support ongoing implementation of the program, including educational workshops

OBJECTIVES & GOALS

The short term objectives & goals for the Chabot FRESH Food Pantry are:

- To certify a group of faculty and student volunteers for the Food Handling Certification
- To identify students that are in need of additional food access
- To develop an active relationship with ACCFB and local community food pantries
- To successfully implement a Just in Time food distribution by March of 2017
- To provide RAGE branded reusable grocery/tote bags for food recipients

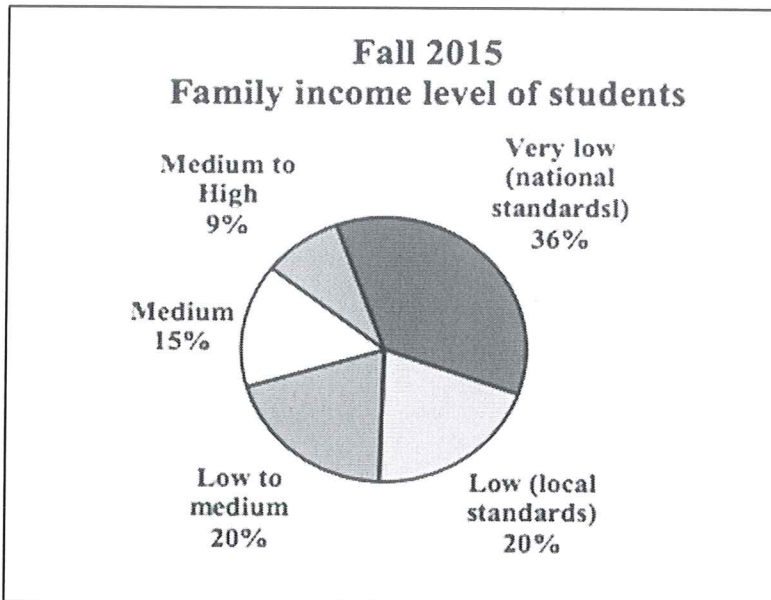
The long term objectives & goals for the Chabot FRESH Food Pantry are:

- To secure and open a permanent food pantry space
- To educate students on food access, basic cooking skills/recipes
- Decrease the number of students in our community with food insecurity
- To implement a Chabot College Community Kitchen for students to learn and have access to cooking/preparing quick meals on campus.

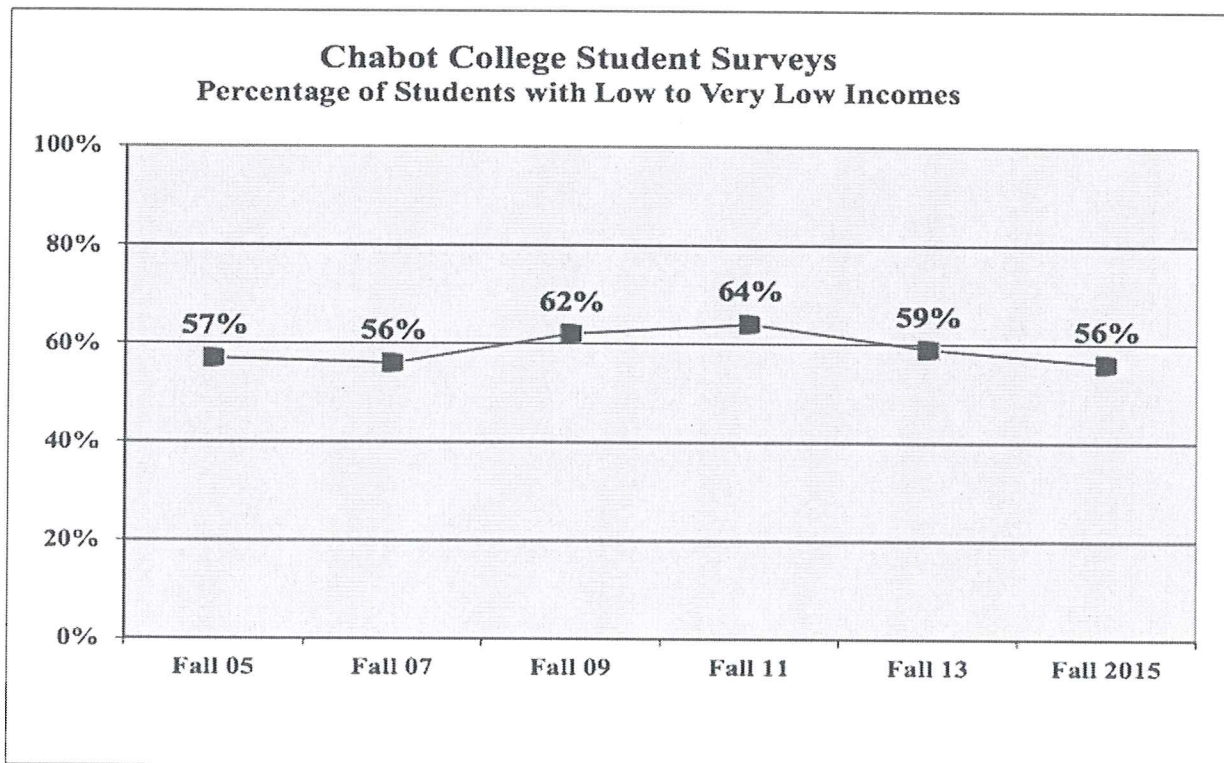
ACTION PLAN

- Finalize agreement between CLPCCD and Food Bank
- Finalize location for Just In Time Distribution and post-distribution storage
- Securing funding for food pantry space appliances and furnishings
- Additional funding for food
- Recruit and train volunteers
- Research food access needs

STATEMENT OF NEED



According to the 2015 Student Satisfaction Survey (Family Income, Parents Education and Living Situation), 36 percent of Chabot students had very low incomes according to national standards and another 20 percent had low incomes based on local standards. This means that almost sixty percent of Chabot students are low-income. With more than 15,000 students at Chabot, there is an urgent need for additional food resources on campus.



PROJECT PARAMETERS

Distribution Model: Short Term

When: Starting Spring 2017

Where: Chabot College

Who: Any student or community member who has difficulty accessing food

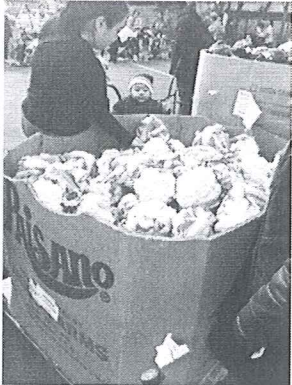
What: Food, Resources, and Education

To start, we will request the smallest amount of food offered by Alameda County Community Food Bank (ACCFB), to avoid having leftover food. The food would be arranged in pallets for students to walk by and be given food. The amount of food received from ACCFB will determine the food quantity limits enforced by student volunteers. RAGE will purchase and supply reusable tote bags for recipients to bring their food home, which will further promote not only the FRESH food pantry, but also sustainable practices.

The Just in Time Distribution will take place once a month, for 1-3 days, ideally in the third week or near the end of the month, when families receiving government aid are starting to run out of resources. The Pantry will remain open 11am-8pm in order to distribute as much food as possible.

Just-In Time Distribution

- Drop off of pallets
- Distribution takes place no less than 4 hours after delivery
- Plan for disposal of pallets and totes
- Restrictions on perishable items
- On-site coordinator
- Volunteers depends on amount of food being distributed
- Minimal storage required for leftover food



The image is a screenshot of a presentation slide. The slide has a white background with a dark border. At the top, the title 'Just-In Time Distribution' is centered in a bold, sans-serif font. Below the title is a bulleted list of seven points. To the right of the list is a small, square, black and white photograph. The photograph shows a person from the back, wearing a dark jacket, standing next to a large, full tote bag. The tote bag is overflowing with what appears to be food items, possibly bags of rice or flour. The person is looking down at the tote bag. The background of the photograph is slightly blurred, showing other people and what might be a distribution area. At the bottom of the slide, there is a small navigation bar with several icons: a back arrow, a forward arrow, a search icon, a refresh icon, and a close icon.

Distribution Model: Long Term

When: Fall 2017- Spring 2018

Where: Chabot College

Who: Any student or community member who has difficulty accessing food

What: Food, Resources, and Education

School Pantry

- Flexible Hours (ability to offer emergency food services)
- Safe, Secure, Clean storage area
- Appropriate refrigeration if storing perishables
- Client Choice
- On-site Coordinator
- 1-2 volunteers



FRESH Program Staffing and Infrastructure

Staffing

We will require a faculty or staff member to become food safety certified and serve as the food pantry site coordinator in charge of supervising volunteers and ensuring the smooth operations of the food pantry.

Volunteers

RAGE will assist in recruiting and organizing volunteers. Student volunteers are responsible for:

- Completion of the food safety certification course
- Completion of the volunteer hiring process at Chabot College
- Setup and cleanup Just in Time Distribution days
- Create promotional materials to educate students

Physical Space

RAGE will work with the Chabot Facilities Committee to identify and secure the best space for each project.

- We anticipate holding the Just In Time Distribution in either the Cesar Chavez Plaza or the Grand Courtyard at Chabot College.
- Any layaway groceries and/or leftover food will be stored in either the Student Initiative Center (Building 2300) or an underused janitorial closet in Building 100.
- Food storage requirements include: secure, sanitary and temperature controlled place away from cleaning materials and toxic chemicals. All food must be stored 6 inches off the floor, away from the wall and 6 inches below the ceiling.

Funding/Budget

We will request funding from Chabot College for retrofitting the pantry space with shelving and a refrigerator.

Budget Items	Just In Time Donations (through Spring 2017)	FRESH Food Pantry (beginning in Fall 2017)
Printing: Flyers, brochures, promotional posters	\$300 (\$100 per distribution)	
Reusable grocery bags (RAGE)	\$900 (\$1.50/bag + fees, shipping, etc.)	
Commercial Refrigerator	N/A	\$3000
Shelves	\$600 (5 shelving units at \$120 ea)	
Food	\$200 per semester?	
Total Costs	\$2000	\$3000
Total Budget	\$5000	

EDUCATION

RAGE will be working with volunteers and community organizations to hold campus workshops and educational activities in order to teach and spread food knowledge in our Chabot College student body. Prospective workshops will include information on:

- Easy food recipes that will incorporate the ingredients given by the Food Pantry.
- Cooking tips and meal planning
- Grocery shopping tips
- Sustainable cooking
- Food systems (environmental, social, and political)

THE RAGE TEAM

RAGE stands for Revolutionaries Advocating for Greener Ecosystems. We are an initiative-driven student organization that addresses eco-justice + sustainability on campus through project-based learning, advocacy, and community relations.

Our mission is to facilitate a shift in our communities' consciousness to change the culture of convenience and the framing of sustainability.

We execute this mission in a number of ways:

- Research and describe the current state of our ecosystems
- Create awareness and educate college and community
- Network and partner with faculty/staff and community
- Discover and advocate for viable alternatives to excessive waste and consumption practices

RAGE hopes to expand and scale this program by teaming up with Chabot's new SOIL program and Sustainability Center initiative.

Partnerships and Collaborations

- Alameda County Community Food Bank
- Chabot SOIL and Sustainability Center
- Food Access Committee/Task Force to End Hunger & Homelessness in Hayward
- South Hayward Parish
- Helping Hand Food Bank (Union City Apostolic Church)
- DEAL (Delegates for Empowerment, Advocacy, & Leadership)
- Student Senate of Chabot College (SSCC)
- Chabot College Student Services
- Chabot College Student Life