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BASIC NEEDS HUB



UC Irvine opened the FRESH Basic Needs Hub in September 2017

The Hub provides a 2,630 square foot space where advising, food preparation, community meetings, teaching, CalFresh, and Food Pantry services are centralized.

4079 Mesa Rd. (lot 5)

www.basicneeds.uci.edu

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Fall 2020 Pantry Food Distributions

Wednesday Outdoor Pantry Food Distribution



**Wednesdays from 11am to 4pm
By Appointment**



Thursday Pantry "Door" Distribution



**Thursdays 1-4pm
Walk-ins**

This Fall, we will be hosting a 2nd weekly opportunity for pantry food pick-up if you missed our Wednesday outdoor distribution. Thursday distribution will be on walk-in basis only.



All done! Can't wait to cook up some nutritious meals with these ingredients. Thanks FRESH!

Food Pantry

- Access using student ID
- Visit once per week
- Reusable tote bags



- Non-perishable items
- Fresh produce
- Dairy/protein
- Toiletries



New service:

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DIAPER BANK

DIAPER BANK AT THE FRESH HUB !

UCI parenting students
can now request
monthly diaper support!

FRESH is now a partner to the
OC Diaper Bank Program
via CAP OC!

Sign up here to
request diapers:
bit.ly/diaperbank2021

or scan here!

Produce Vouchers

Farm-to-FRESH Produce Voucher Program

These vouchers help supplement our pantry distributions with additional access to fruits and vegetables during COVID-19. Our pantry visitors can get additional food support and receive up to 4 monthly \$30 vouchers (or more for students with children) to use at the Tanaka Farms Drive-Through Produce Market Stand.

TO JOIN THIS PROGRAM:

- 1 Apply online once for the current quarter
- 2 Pick-up your monthly vouchers starting the 1st Wednesday of the month
- 3 Visit Tanaka Farms' Drive-through produce market stand, shop seasonal/locally grown produce from your car window, and pay with your voucher.

Sign up here! 
bit.ly/vouchersfall20

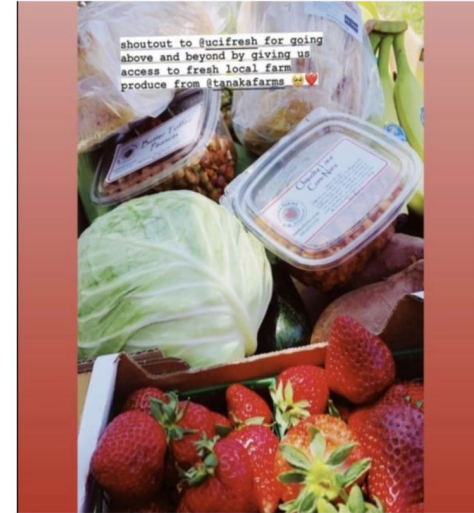
Tanaka Farms is located 3 miles from campus at 5380 3/4 University Dr., Irvine, CA 92612.

- The produce market stand is open Monday through Sunday from 9am to 5pm.
- Plan your visit ahead by checking their website for a list of produce prices available here: bit.ly/Tanaka_PriceList



Fall Produce Vouchers

Fall application is now available on our website! Please apply by Sunday 10/4 to receive October vouchers





- **CalFresh = CA name for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)**
 - Federally funded, State/County administered
 - It is not welfare!
 - Does not affect individual's future (jobs, etc...)
- **Free \$\$\$ for groceries!**
 - Does not affect student's financial aid
 - No longer called food stamps!



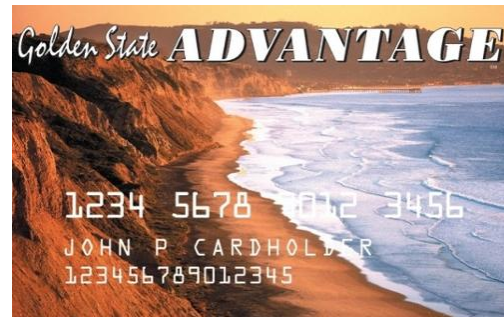
CalFresh (EBT) Application Assistance: Peer to Peer Appointments

Be US Citizen or LPR & Meet income guidelines and one of these:

- Receive **Cal Grant A or B (TANF)**
- Work at least 20 hours per week, on average
- Offered **work-study** & accepted it
- Full-time student with a child under age 12
- SSI Program Participant:
 - Former Foster Youth (FYRE)
 - Summer Bridge
 - Trio Scholars
 - Gateway Scholars
- Registered with Disabilities Center
- Enrolled in MAT (grads)

Monthly Income Limits:

1= \$2,010



Visit our website to
make an
appointment!

CalFresh Application Assistance



**IF YOU HAVE CALFRESH-RELATED QUESTIONS
OR WANT TO TALK TO A CALFRESH STAFF MEMBER,
HOP ON A ZOOM CALL DURING OUR
CALFRESH VIRTUAL OFFICE HOURS!**

Every Wednesday from 12:00 PM - 2:00 PM

FRESH Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://uci.zoom.us/j/9498240607>

FRESH Zoom Personal Meeting ID:

949-824-0607



**FRESH IS OFFERING *Cal*Fresh
APPLICATION ASSISTANCE VIA ZOOM!**

One of our Calfresh advocates will guide you through the CalFresh application remotely while you complete it on your own (through the feature of screen sharing).



Did you know Calfresh applicants have a 20% better chance of getting approved for benefits when working with a Calfresh advocate for application assistance? Book your appointment with us!

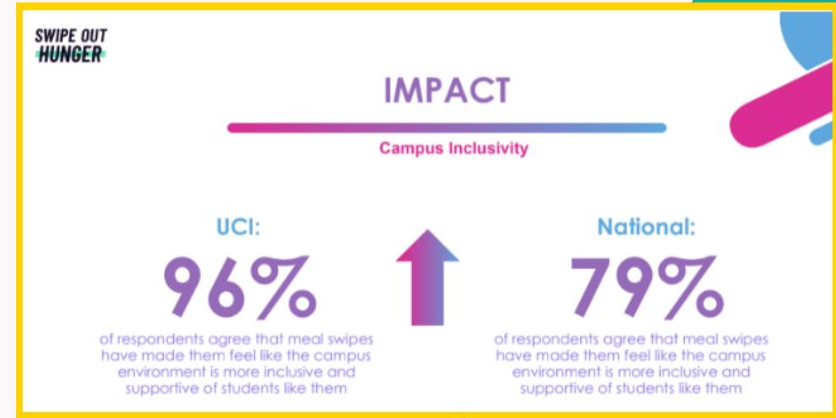
If you are interested in signing up for application assistance via Zoom, please make an appointment at freshuci.as.me/calfreshzoomassistance.

Questions? Please visit bit.ly/GetCalFresh or email calfresh@uci.edu!



Emergency Meal Swipe Program

- Provides access to several healthy and well-balanced meals in the University Dining Commons
 - Meal “swipes”
- Online application
- Meals uploaded to student ID



EMERGENCY MEAL SWIPE PROGRAM RECIPIENT TESTIMONIAL

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"I HAVE MORE TIME TO FOCUS ON MY CLASSES AND I'M MORE PRODUCTIVE WHEN I AM IN CLASS AND ON CAMPUS. OVERALL, HAVING THIS BARRIER IN MY EDUCATION REMOVED HAS BEEN LIFE-CHANGING."



Learn more about the
Emergency Meal Swipe Program at:
bit.ly/UCIEMSP

Basic Needs Campus Social Worker

- On-Site Licensed Clinical Social Worker
- Students can self-refer through:
 - Drop-In Hours
 - Appointments
- Previously, students had to be referred to a social worker

FRESH SOCIAL WORKER DROP-IN CONSULTATIONS

TUESDAYS & WEDNESDAYS 10AM-12PM

Experiencing **financial stress, food/housing insecurity, and other stressors** and want support and guidance?

Do you have additional basic needs questions or need help navigating campus and community resources?



**BOOK A 15 OR 30-MINUTE CONSULTATION
WITH OUR CAMPUS SOCIAL WORKER!**

MEET PETER THACH!

Peter is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker with the California Board of Behavioral Sciences. He's also a UCI alum and completed his Master of Social Work from USC. Peter has previously worked as a therapist and clinical social worker in school-based mental health settings and at UCI Health Pediatric Services.

BOOK YOUR CONSULTATION AT:
calendly.com/peter-fresh



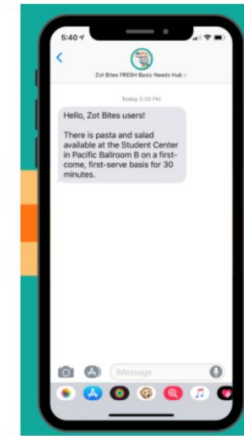
Emergency Grants

Case-specific, university interventions (e.g., fee deadline extensions, payment plans, rent deferment, emergency loans, emergency meals, etc.) should be utilized first to address a student's financial crisis.

- Short-term solution
- Student must 1st meet with Financial Aid
- Must demonstrate a financial crisis that is affecting access to housing, food, medical and/or mental health care
- **Students are eligible for up to \$2,000**
- Application can be found on basic needs website



Zot Bites



Pre Covid-19: After-event guest text-notification program for extra catered food

During Covid-19: We are repurposing our platform to send important updates or changes to our food distribution

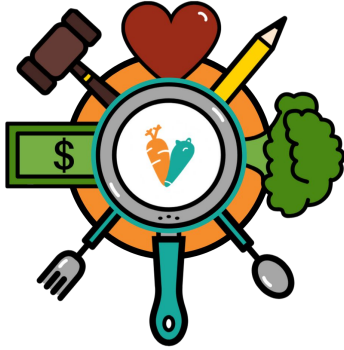
- Opt-in text notifications
- Encouraged for our frequent pantry visitors
- Sign-up and turn text notifications on/off using your UCINetID at:
zotbites.basneeds.uci.edu

Get our updates via text: Zot Bites Opt-in text notifications

We encourage our frequent pantry visitors to register to start receiving text notifications at: **zotbites.basneeds.uci.edu**

Login anytime to turn notifications on/off

Skill Development



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 **chef**
resource hours

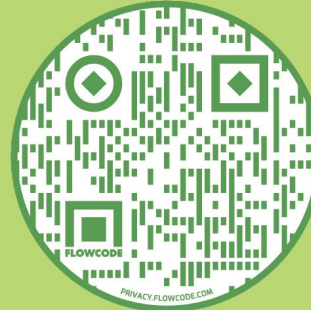
WITH CHEF WENDY!

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WENDY!

INTERESTED IN STEPPING
UP YOUR COOKING GAME USING
THE ITEMS IN OUR PANTRY?



JOIN US VIA ZOOM FOR A
VIRTUAL COOKING CLASS USING
ITEMS FOUND AT FRESH!



SCAN FOR
INGREDIENTS LIST!

EVERY THURSDAY
5:30PM - 6:30PM

REGISTER HERE:
bit.ly/OctoberChefHours

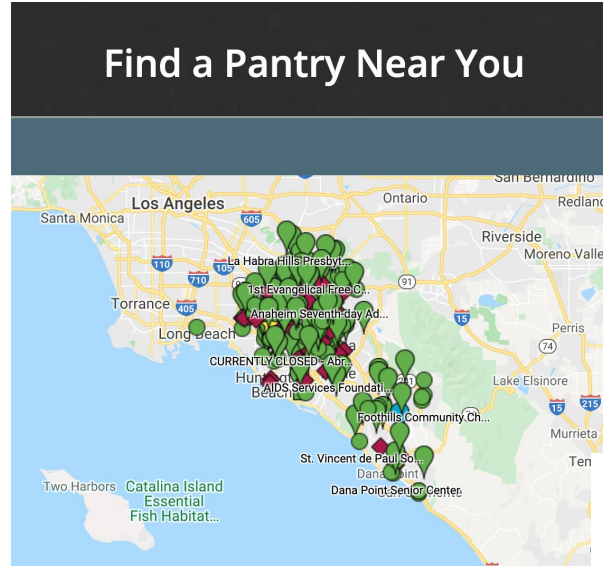
Community pantries:

<https://www.wastenotoc.org/pantries/>

Our website ->
Off-campus resources
tab

South County Outreach:

FOOD PANTRY, HOMELESS PREVENTION
COUNSELING, UTILITY AND RENTAL ASSISTANCE,
RAPID REHOUSING, TRANSITIONAL HOUSING,
UPSCALE RESALE THRIFT STORE



Open Pantries during pandemic



Are you in need of food assistance?

You're not alone.

1 in 6 Orange County residents are too.

There are food pantries in your community that can help.

Pantry Name	Address	City	Hours and Description
h - Anaheim	The Grove - 2200 E Katella Ave	Anaheim	Monday 1-3pm, drive thru
h - Anaheim	5300 E. La Palma Ave	Anaheim	Wednesday & Thursday drive thru pantry 9am-11am
h - Anaheim	101 E Orangethorpe Ave	Anaheim	Saturdays 7am-9am drive thru pre-bagged
r - Brea	500 Sievers	Brea	Monday - Friday 10-12:30pm, drive up or walk up, 60+ adults
r - Buena Park	8150 Knott Avenue	Buena Park	Thursdays at 9:45am - 10:15am, drive up, 60+ adults
r - Costa Mesa	1550 Superior Ave.	Costa Mesa	Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 4:30pm pre-bagged
r - Costa Mesa	695 W 19th Street	Costa Mesa	Friday's 9:30am - 10:30am, drive thru and walk up, 60+ adults
r - Fullerton	611 S. Ford Ave	Fullerton	Monday-Friday 1-2:30pm, walk up
r - Fullerton	340 W Commonwealth	Fullerton	Thursdays at 1-3pm, drive up, 60+ adults
r - Huntington Beach	16400 Springdale St	Huntington Beach	Monday - Friday 10am-12pm, pre-bagged walk up
r - Huntington Beach			Tuesday 10am-12pm and 6-8pm, 3rd Saturday 9-11am, drive thru
h - Irvine South	18842 Teller	Irvine	Monday - Friday 10am - 2pm, drive thru
h - Irvine South	8 Thomas	Irvine	Monday - Friday 9am - 1pm, drive thru
h - Irvine South	5001 Newport Coast Drive	Irvine	Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 12pm-2pm
h - La Habra	341 S Hillcrest Ave	La Habra	Thursday: 12pm-7:00pm, Pre-bagged

Contact Info

THANK YOU ALL FOR
ATTENDING!!



Instagram

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Email

fresh@uci.edu
calfresh@uci.edu



Phone Number

(949) 473-2806
Text & Call

Website: www.basicneeds.uci.edu

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- Located at the new Anteater Community Resource Center (ACRC)
- 4079 Mesa Rd. Irvine CA 92617 (In the trailer at the end of parking Lot 5)

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