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UB Student Association Announces the UB Food Pantry

Food insecurity continues to impact students on college campuses around the nation and here at the University at Buffalo. No student at UB should go hungry or have to leave school because they cannot afford to eat. It is imperative that students and administrators do not shy away from this issue. There are students in need and it is our job to help them. The University at Buffalo has created a food pantry task force, comprised of students and administrators, and charged the committee to send recommendations to the Vice President of Student Life for the implementation of an on-campus food pantry. Currently, SA President Gunnar Haberl is one of the students serving on the committee. Until the university can find a permanent location for the food pantry, SA will be sharing the SA student affairs office as a temporary location to house the food for the food pantry. The Student Association will be holding a campus-wide food drive throughout the month of March for an initial stocking of the food pantry. The Student Association looks forward to representing undergraduate students on the food pantry task force to ensure that no student goes home hungry while attending college.

SA President Gunnar Haberl said “The mission of the food pantry is to provide students with immediate additional resources that will empower them to continue in their academic success. We must not ignore the impacts that food insecurity has on students at the University at Buffalo.”
SA Vice President Anyssa Evelyn said “I truly hope that the on-campus food pantry will bring relief to the UB students facing food insecurity. As student leaders, me must always work for the betterment of student life on campus”.

SA Treasurer Tanahiry Escamilla said “I hope that university administration will continue to include students on the conversations about the implementation of the UB Food Pantry”.

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**About the University at Buffalo Undergraduate Student Association**

We are your undergraduate student government. We exist to make you undergraduate student experience everything that it can be. We represent you before the University administration, continuously advocating for your best interests. We also provide a wide range of services, oversee and ever growing roster of clubs and organizations, and put on memorable events all year long.

The University at Buffalo’s Student Association is unique amongst SUNY schools in that we are entirely student run. SA is funded through student fees and ultimately overseen by our executive officers, the SA Senate and the SA Student Assembly all of which are comprised entirely of undergraduate students. We are your Student Association.