

2018-19 Annual Report

"I envisioned the food pantry to be a readily available resource open to all UH Mānoa students through the efforts of the campus community....I hope that Food Vault Hawai'i will be able to help students in need while illustrating the importance of community-based giving."

Maggie Hinshaw, UHM '18
Former ASUH Treasurer (105th Senate) and main introducer of ASUH legislation, SR 06-18 and SA 39-18, to support the creation of a campus pantry. Maggie also named the pantry Food Vault Hawai'i.

Abbreviations

ASUH Associated Students of the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

CC Campus Center

CCB Campus Center Board

CUFBA College and University Food Bank Alliance

FVH Food Vault Hawai'i

HH Hemenway Hall

MDS Mānoa Dining Services

SAPFB Student Activity and Program Fee Board

SLD Office of Student Life and Development

UHM University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

UHF University of Hawai'i Foundation

OVCS Office of the Vice Chancellor for Students

Acknowledgements

FVH sincerely appreciates all of our donors (faculty, staff, students, and community members) for stocking our shelves and making donations to our UHF account. Your generosity positively impacts students.

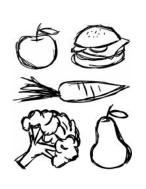
FVH recognizes the contributions of our AY 2018-19 student fellows (Brenda Ly, Alexandria Osborne, and Natalie South) who staffed the pantry and recruited volunteers. Without your hard work, commitment, and belief in this initiative, we would not have gotten through Year 1 or have the ability to move forward to Year 2.

FVH is grateful to the OVCS for sponsoring our student fellow positions to support our operations. We appreciate your support.

Finally, FVH acknowledges the partnership of the ASUH, CCB, SAPFB, and SLD that has made this initiative possible. Thank you to the student members, faculty, and staff of these entities for your efforts and contributions.

What is Food Insecurity?

According to CUFBA, the College and University Food Bank Alliance,



"Food Insecurity is the limited or uncertain availability of nutritionally adequate and safe foods, or the ability to acquire such foods in a socially acceptable manner. The most extreme form is often accompanied with physiological sensations of hunger."

http://cufba.org



What We Know Nationally

- There is a growing interest and need for campus pantries. In 2012 there were 88 members of CUFBA. In 2018 membership grew to 686 member institutions.
- 217 colleges and universities currently operate pantries, 146 are at 4 year institutions.
- 41% of the campus pantries distribute less than 5,000 pounds of food annually.
- 21% of the campus pantries distribute more than 20,000 pounds of food annually.
- 88% of the campus pantries offer food, toiletries, and kitchen items such as can openers, utensils, and dishes.

Our Peers and Benchmarks

100% of our PEER institutions have campus pantries (*1 pop up)

- Colorado State University- Fort Collins, Rams Against Hunger
- Mississippi State University- Starkville, Peter's Rock Food Pantry
- Oregon State University- Corvallis, HSRC Food Pantry
- University of Arizona- Tucson, UA Campus Pantry
- *University of Illinois- Chicago, Pop-Up Pantry
- University of Kentucky- Lexington, Big Blue Pantry
- University of New Mexico- Albuquerque, Lobo Food Pantry
- University of South Florida- Tampa, Feed-A-Bull Food Pantry
- University of Utah- Salt Lake City, Feed U Pantry

100% of our BENCHMARK institutions have campus pantries (*1 pop up)

- University of California- Davis, UC Davis Pantry
- University of California- Irvine, FRESH Basic Needs Hub
- University of California- San Diego, Triton Food Pantry
- *University of Colorado- Boulder, Pop-Up in 2018-19, 3 events
- University of Iowa- Iowa City, Food Pantry at Iowa
- University of North Carolina- Chapel Hill, Carolina Cupboard
- University of Pittsburgh- Pittsburgh, The Pitt Pantry
- University of Tennessee- Knoxville, Smokey's Pantry
- University of Washington- Seattle, The UW Food Pantry



What We Know Locally

- 2017: 44% of 593 UHM students who completed a food security survey indicated experiencing food insecurity.
- 2006: 45% of 408 UHM students who completed a food security survey indicated experiencing food insecurity.

Dobbs, J. and Wallace, S. (2017). Summary Report- Food Insecurity Survey at UH Mānoa 2017.

FVH Background and Timeline

Review Best Practices, Work on ASUH Legislation

Presentation by Joannie Dobbs, PhD to ASUH Senate

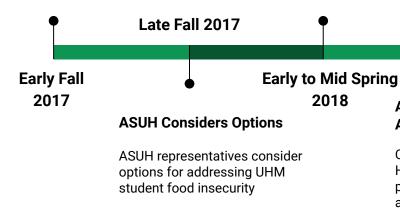
ASUH Senate members made aware of the results of a 2017 survey on Food Security ASUH representatives work with SLD faculty advisor to review best practices for addressing food insecurity, draft pilot program proposal to establish campus pantry. Legislation considered by Senate. ASUH allocates funds.

Preparations Underway for Fall Opening

Hemenway Hall 111 renovated, equipment purchased, food drives conducted to stock pantry

Late Summer to

Early Fall 2018



ASUH and SLD Seek Additional Collaborators

Late Spring to

Mid-Summer 2018

CCB agrees to provide space in Hemenway Hall to house the pantry. SAPFB allocates additional funding. OVCS provides 2 student fellow positions.

October 2018 and Beyond

Food Vault Hawai'i Opens

Soft opening on September 28 Grand Opening on October 1

On-going food drives











Cheerios











FVH kicked off Year 1 of its 3-year pilot pantry program with a soft opening on Friday, September 28, 2018 and formally opened on Monday, October 1 in Hemenway Hall 111.

The main objective of FVH is to provide assistance to UHM students experiencing food insecurity by offering non-perishable food and toiletries during the Fall and Spring semesters through a pantry located in the Campus Center Complex.

Food, Toiletries, and Financial Support

Food and toiletry donations are accepted Monday through Friday, 8am-4:30pm at the SLD Office in CC208.

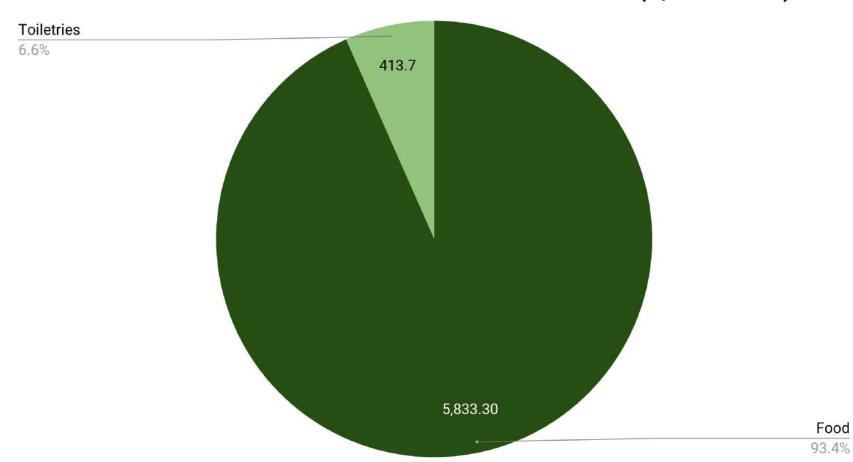
Monetary contributions to FVH are accepted on-line at our UHF account:

https://giving.uhfoundation.org/funds/12909704

Total Collection of Food and Toiletries (in pounds)	3,500
Total Distribution of Food and Toiletries (in pounds)	6,247
Total Allocation from ASUH and SAPFB (for 3 Year Pilot)	\$11,150.00
*Total Expended from ASUH and SAPFB (at close of FY19)	\$4,489.43
Total Expended from SLD on Equipment, Supplies, Promo Items	\$6,108.72
Total Allocation from OVCS for Fellows (=2 @ \$5,000 for FY19)	\$10,000.00
Total Expended toward Fellow Salaries in FY19	\$4,377.28

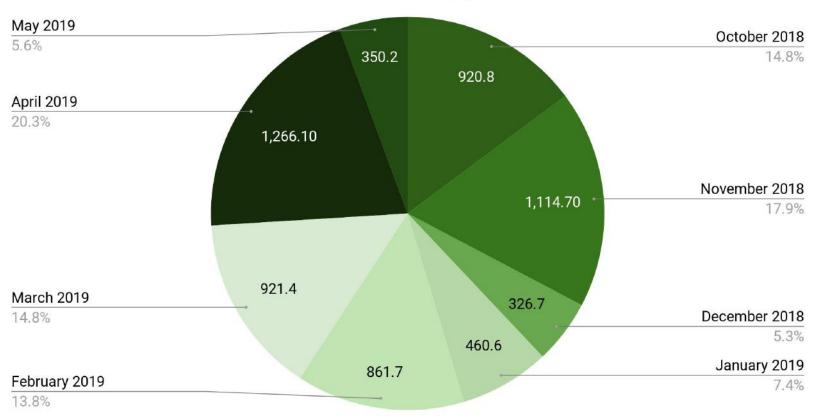
^{*}Includes food, toiletries, food handler certification, and one-time cost items such as a scale, desk, chair, etc.

FVH Distribution: Food vs Toiletries in Pounds (6,247 Total)



FVH Distribution by Month in Pounds (6,247 lbs Total)





Most Popular Items at FVH

(More demand than supply)

Canned protein (e.g. spam, chicken breast)

Canned/boxed/packaged meals (e.g. pasta, stew, madras lentils, vegetable tikka masala)









Microwavable food (e.g. meals, soups, rice)



Staples (e.g. rice, mac & cheese, pasta)









Cereal, peanut butter, jelly, breakfast and nutritional bars

Canned/packaged fruits





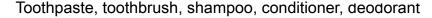


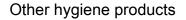






Snacks













Most Frequently Donated Items to FVH

(More supply than demand)

Dried Ramen/Saimin

Vienna Sausage

Pork & Beans

Corn

Green Beans

Campbell's Chicken Noodle Soup







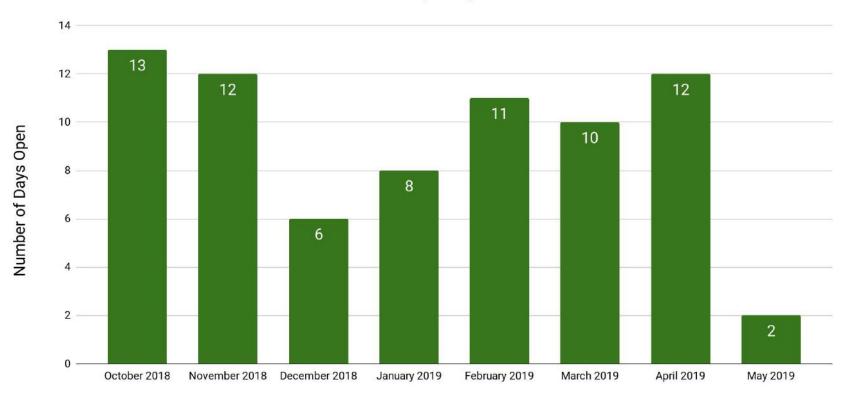






Number of Days FVH Open by Month (75 Total)

4 hours per day



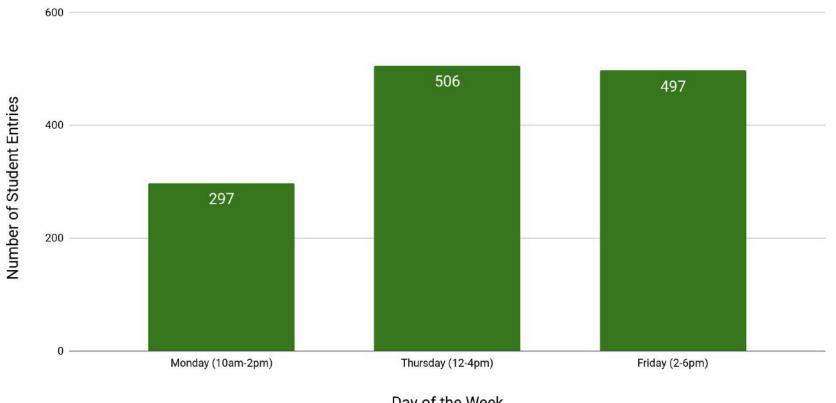
Student Entries to FVH by Month (1,301 Total)

October 1, 2018 - May 2, 2019

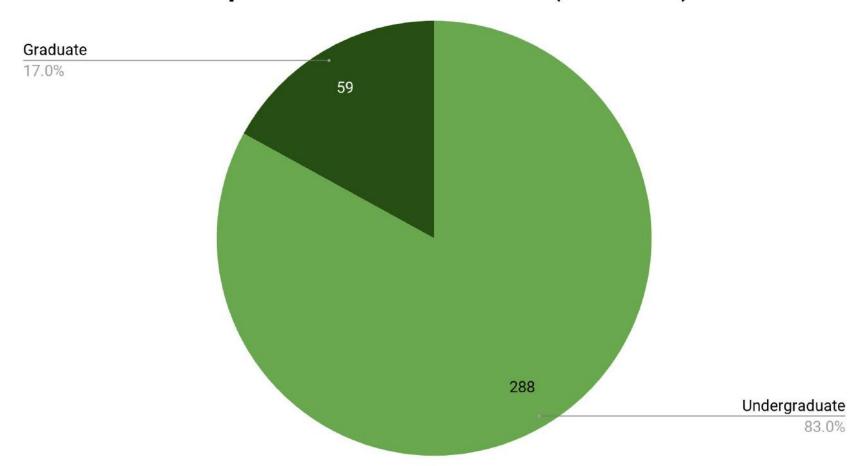


Student Entries to FVH by Day of Week (1,301 Total)

October 1, 2018 - May 2, 2019



Unique Student Users of FVH (347 Total)



How did FVH help you?

"My paycheck was delayed for about a month, and it helped me get by while I waited for money to come in. I'm really glad food vault was there for me when I needed it."

"Eat. Live. Thrive. I store the food in my office and it helps me sustain myself through the cold winter months."

"Provided a great deal of food I used to make up for times when I couldn't eat."

"It financially helps that the money I would have used for food, stretched and instead bought essentials. Even simply offering toothbrushes and other hygienic products was thoughtful since I was at risk for being houseless."

What would you do to improve FVH?

"More food!!! And constant restocking"

[Provide an] "exit survey"

"The service is fantastic I am unsure what to recommend."

"Refrigeration and fresh produce. Surplus of dining halls could help."

FVH Events

To promote FVH and educate students on creative ways to elevate non-perishable foods, FVH partnered with ASUH and MDS to host an event using non-perishable foods from the pantry.

We hope to do at least one of these events a semester next year.



FVH Year 1 Summary & Discussion

- Opened 12 hours per week between October 1, 2018 through May 2, 2019 (75 total days of operation)
- 347 unique UHM student users (83% undergraduates, 17% graduates)
- 1,301 total entries by UHM student users
- Approximately 40% of ASUH and SAFPB allocations were used (for establishing operations, equipment, signage, food and toiletries, staff food handler training)
- Demand Outweighed Donation Supply: 3,500 donated vs. 6,247 pounds distributed
 - Direct purchasing of food/toiletries will continue to be necessary for the foreseeable future using funds derived from ASUH and SAPFB allocations, and UHF donations
- FVH's distribution in its 75 days of operation (6,247 pounds) already exceeds the annual distribution of 41% of other U.S. campus pantries (less than 5,000 pounds per year), suggesting that distribution will increase as the FVH pilot continues

Looking Forward: FVH Year 2

Pantry

- Continue offering non-perishable food and toiletries at the pantry
- Secure permit, purchase refrigerator, add eggs

Events

- Offer a cooking demo and sampling event each semester
- Pilot a monthly event in partnership with a 501(c)(3) and Hawai'i Foodbank offering fruits, vegetables, breads, and dairy products

Data

Continue entry swipe data collection, implement eval/survey

FVH Sustainability



Volunteer

- Staff the pantry on Mondays 10am-2pm, Thursdays 12-4pm, and Fridays 2-6pm
- Staff monthly food drop events in the Campus Center Courtyard

Donate Food and Toiletries

 Donate unexpired, manufacturer packaged, non-perishable food and toiletries to SLD at CC208

Donate \$

Donate \$ via FVH's UHF Account: https://giving.uhfoundation.org/funds/12909704

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