

# Midterm Presentation

## Food Justice & Basic Needs

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ACCESSIBILITY

FINANCES

FOOD

HOUSING

MENTAL HEALTH

SAFETY

SECURITY

# Intro

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- How can we improve campus AWARENESS and USE of basic needs resources to those in need?
  - Disconnect between campus resources and students
  - Our research aims to help students students by bridging this gap
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# Goals

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Create  
Microwave Map



Redesign Basic  
Needs Website



Student  
Surveys and  
Focus Groups

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# Methods and Progress



## WEBSITE

Researched current UCLA basic needs resources

## MICROWAVE MAP

Tracked microwave locations

Deliver locations to GFI fellow

## WEBSITE

Suggest changes and additional resources to Basic Needs website

## WEBSITE

Create visual of suggested changes for stakeholder

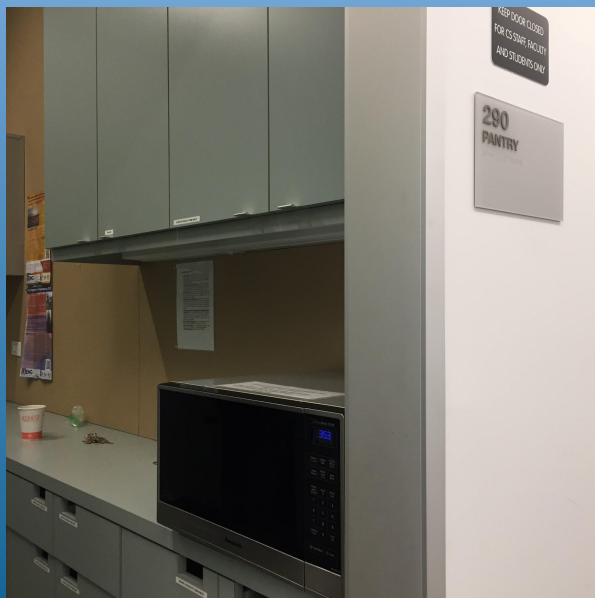
## SURVEY

Devise survey questions in preparation for Spring Quarter

## FOCUS GROUP

Begin planning questions and dates

# Progress: Team Microwave Hunting



Engineering VI



Student Activities Center



Musicology Department

# Progress: Website Design

Basic Needs Areas of Focus...  
**but no description about each area**

Ambiguous General Resource Page...  
**but no area-specific resource page**

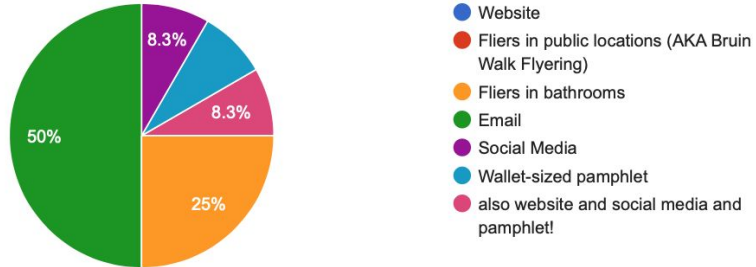
Great Icons for Resources...  
**but no additional information**



# Progress: Survey

## Which way of communication is best for you to learn about important resources?

12 responses



### Assessing student needs.

I've gone days on campus skipping meals.

Yes

No

I worry if I can pay my living expenses (groceries, rent, etc.) next month.

Yes

No

I work more than one job.

Yes

No

I've refrained from using campus health services because they seemed inconvenient or unavailable.

Yes

No

Do you know about CalFresh?

Yes

No

# Challenges



No prior experience with website design

How do we design a user-friendly resourceful website?



## Solutions

Work with Scott Gruber

Tailoring surveys and focus groups

How do we encourage participation among general UCLA population?



Connect with relevant groups;  
Provide incentives

Similar student groups and staff-led basic needs effort

How do we connect them together?



Interview Basic Needs Leaders



# Challenges: Similar Efforts

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## HUNGRY?


- RESOURCE LIST
- FOOD CLOSET
- RESOURCE MAP
- ARTICLES

## Student Resource List


Below is a list of resources that students have access to, both on and off campus.




S80 Café




ECRT Meal Vouchers




CalFresh




Farmer's Market Gleaning Program




Financial Wellness Program (FWP)




ORL Grocery Shuttle







Food For Finals



CPO Grocery Bundle



[FITTED]EATS  
Food and Cooking Demos / Class

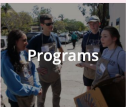





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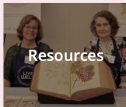
EatWell strives to enhance food literacy, reduce food insecurity, and offer nutritious and sustainable food choices to everyone at UCLA. To achieve these goals, we support innovative projects led by students, staff, and faculty across campus, ranging from sustainable gardens, to food-focused courses, to cooking workshops.



Programs



Courses




Resources

## EVENTS

### UPCOMING EVENTS


WED 13	<b>LOCAL HARVEST - CSA</b> March 13 @ 2:00 pm - 7:00 pm UCLA Medical Center
THU 14	<b>WESTWOOD FARMERS' MARKET</b> March 14 @ 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm
THU 14	<b>EATWELL MEETING (SAC BASEMENT ROOMS 263)</b> March 14 @ 2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Student Activities Center, 220 Westwood Plaza, Los Angeles, CA 90095, USA
WED	<b>LOCAL HARVEST - CSA</b>

## BLOGS




**Did You Know: Versatile Grapes for the Season**  
0 Comments / January 16, 2019

As we ring in the New Year, I can't help but think of sparkling...



**Graduate Students at the Forefront of Veteran Food Security**  
0 Comments / January 16, 2019

"We truly need to integrate agriculture into our urban systems...



**Did you know: Ginger, A Spice for the Season**  
0 Comments / December 13, 2018

Given we are now in December and looking forward to festivities...

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## Food Security Resources

FINANCIAL SUPPORT SPECIFIC

SPECIALIZED CENTERS

SCHOLARSHIPS, FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

FINDING EMPLOYMENT

PRINTING AND LOANING SERVICE ON CAMPUS

WEBSITES AND PHONE APPLICATIONS

FOOD SECURITY RESOURCES

HOUSING-ASSISTANCE

HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

### SECURITY CARD

Food Resources for Hungry Brains

- CPO Food Closet**  
Student Activities Center 111 | M-F 10am-3pm  
<http://www.cpo.ucla.edu/food-closet/>  
call to donate food: (310)306-7192
- SOO Café**  
Wendy Foundation serving UCLA  
186 Cal of 180 (Highgate St., Alaban Check)  
Mon-Thur 1-6, Fri 9-5  
Four Books SW Café: Phone: 310-999-4472
- UCLA Meal Vouchers**  
Electronic Locations: BRC, Dashew Center, CPO, LGBT Center  
[uclameal@ucla.edu](mailto:uclameal@ucla.edu)
- CalFresh and General Relief Applications**  
Apply for benefits for CalFresh benefits on Infoline: [info@uclafood.org](mailto:info@uclafood.org)
- Food 211**  
Community food health and resources.  
<http://www.food211.org/food211/>

Financial Wellness Program: [financialwellness@ucla.edu](mailto:financialwellness@ucla.edu)  
Health and Well-Being: [www.uclahealth.ucla.edu](http://www.uclahealth.ucla.edu)

- CPO Food Closet** - Student Activities Center 111, M-F 10am-3pm  
For UCLA students who may be experiencing hunger and/or struggling to attain food due to financial hardships. The Food Closet accepts stock and checks as donations. Fresh produce, canned goods and toiletries: <http://www.cpo.ucla.edu/food-closet/>
- Cafe S80** - St. Alban's Episcopal Church on Westholme Ave / Highgate Ave., Office Hours M-Thur 9-6pm, Fri 9-3pm, (310) 909-4471  
Free food, hot meals, kitchen and internet access available for financially struggling students. Please call for details.
- ECRT Meal Vouchers** - LGBT Center, Dashew, BRC, CPO, Transfer & Veteran Student Center  
A limited amount of dining commons meal vouchers available to students who meet at-need criteria. These vouchers are distributed at various locations on campus. For more information, email [ECRT\\_gpr@ucla.edu](mailto:ECRT_gpr@ucla.edu)
- Santa Monica Food Bank** - 1710 22nd Street - (310)828-6016 - Off campus food resources available for community use: [www.westsidefoodbank.org](http://www.westsidefoodbank.org)
- CalFresh (Food Stamps) and General Relief Applications** - Governmental financial assistance based on proof of need. Apply online or find your closest office: [dps.lacounty.gov](http://dps.lacounty.gov)

# Plans for Spring



## Website Designs

deliver website designs  
and edits to website  
developer



## Surveys and Focus Groups

assess student  
knowledge and usage of  
basic needs resources



## Encourage Connectivity

connect staff and faculty  
led basic need efforts  
together

**THANK  
YOU.**

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, OR CONCERNS?

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