Office of Community Engagement
The Office of Community Engagement (OCE) facilitates service learning, community-based research and volunteer service by engaging students, faculty and community partners in collaborative partnerships that serve the public good.

We lead the university-wide culture of community engagement as a high impact practice that contributes to student success.
Service Learning
Service learning is a teaching and learning strategy that integrates volunteer service with academic study to enrich learning, teach civic responsibility, and strengthen communities.

Community Based Research
OCE annually funds 5-10 mini grants for faculty participation in community based research projects.

Programs Include
- Alternative Break Program Support
- Community-Based Research Grants
- Coyote Cares Day
- CSUSB Volunteer Fair
- Service Learning Fellowships
- SOAR: Voter Registration & Civic Engagement
- Stand Up for San Bernardino
- The DEN – CSUSB’s Food Pantry
- Week of Engagement
Day Pack/Hygiene Items:
- Are available and located at various campus locations including the Ombuds Office, Recreation and Wellness, Veteran’s Success Center, SAIL, EOP, Health Center and more.

Gift Cards:
- If hungry students have families, we are sometimes able to provide gift cards to local grocery stores to purchase milk, bread, veggies, etc.

Referrals:
- We refer students who visit The DEN to other community resources, depending on their individual needs.

Donations:
- Our campus has been very generous in donating food/hygiene items and gift cards to The DEN…for example, at Snow Day, Department Campaigns, Retirees, alumni, workplace giving, classroom contributions, extra credit, Sodexo, Student organizations, Greek Chapters, ASI, faculty, staff, administrators and university friends have made amazing contributions.

“Knowledge is food for the mind, without food for the body, learning is impossible.”

Author Unknown
CSUSB’s ASI is a founding partner, and contributes quarterly to financially support our Hungry Coyote Care Kits.

CSUSB partners with a community based nonprofit food bank Helping Hands Pantry for ongoing support and off campus meaningful group volunteer opportunities.

[College Student Food Assistance Program]
Budget & Financial Support:

One-Time:

$2,500 USDA H.S.I. Grant for office supplies and storage and shelving

$2,000 CSUSB Vital Technology Grant for computer and printer

Monthly Sustaining Support:

$10,000 Financial contributions for CSUSB faculty, staff and administrators
Volunteer Supported:
• Engaged individual volunteers for special event support, campus sponsored donation efforts, sorting and marketing efforts.

Federal Work Study:
• ($4,500 dollar award/20 hours per week)

OrgSync/ Case Management:
• Student Intake Form, Data Collection, Track Student Participation, and Marketing

Duties:
• Responsible for picking up/logging donations, managing supply and inventory, managing satellite locations, hygiene and hungry care kit assembly and thank you items.

Jenny Rosas is a student assistant in the Office of Community Engagement. She is responsible for assisting at The DEN food pantry and the daily operation of the office.
“I didn’t want to ask for help, but now that I did… I am so happy I came”

- 3rd year undergraduate student

AY 2015 – 2016
Highlights

Campus Donations – 12,249
(From students, faculty & staff)

Hungry Coyote Day Packs = 4,236
Coyote Hygiene Packs = 545

Student Volunteers = 171
(Number of individuals)

Weekly Bag – 849
(Unique students)
Social Work Intern:
• Aranya our BSW student intern at The DEN campus food pantry housed in the Office of Community Engagement. His main focus is assisting students experiencing food insecurity and connecting them with additional community resources.

Hours:
• (480 hour requirement/160 per quarter)

Referral Support/ Case Management:
• Connected students other community resources, depending on their individual needs: 211, WIC, Cal Fresh and identified students in distress (homeless) for CARE team referral.

Group Sessions/ Final Project:
• Lead group sessions regarding financial security/well being...for example, advocated and submitted a funding proposal for an ASI Emergency Grant Program molded after Sac State’s Hornet Fund.
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