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Basic Needs Committee
Spring 2021: Friday, May 21, 2021
9:00 AM – 11:00 AM PDT

Zoom RSVP:

<https://ucla.zoom.us/meeting/register/tJUvfuGtpj0vG9NFID2aZPVKLw7oLZc3C1vZ>

- I. Chair Welcome
- II. Chair Updates
 - a. UCLA Basic Needs Family Chart
 - i. Captures the “family” of basic needs service providers and partners
 - ii. Visual to help internal and external stakeholders understand UCLA’s basic needs network
 1. Community Partners
 2. Student Leadership
 3. Academic Partners
 4. Campus Departments & Units
 5. Basic Needs Leadership
 6. Office of the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs
 - iii. Chart will help clarify involvement of all providers and partners
 - iv. Please inform basic needs operations team if there are groups that are missing and should be included on the Family Chart
 - b. Progress on Bruin Meals Program
 - i. Successful programming so far at UAS and UAN – looking forward to launching summer edition
 - ii. Thankful for 580 Café, ASUCLA, and Residential Life for making it possible
- III. Data & Assessments
 - a. Rapid Rehousing Legislative Report Review
 - i. Thank you for submitting your data!

- ii. Will need to solicit areas for their additional data for Spring 2021 since previous request only captured until April 30th
 - b. Request to Modify Line Items
 - i. Reminder that areas that need to make adjustments or unable to spend their entire allocation must reach out to the Basic Needs Committee leadership and Yogini Purohit before making any transfers. Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs makes the final call.
- IV. Service Provider Updates
 - a. ASUCLA
 - i. Catering team is working on Bruin Meals Program
 - ii. Catering for commencement week; individuals and families can preorder grab-and-go lunch for a picnic
 - iii. Looking into options to replace Wolfgang Puck
 - b. ECRT
 - i. Case management is trending up to 500 cases for the AY 2020/2021
 - ii. ECRT was able to distribute approximately 450 grants through their allocation and additional funding sources
 - iii. Has an account set up with the ASUCLA book store for graduation cap and gown so if folks know of students who find difficulties in purchasing the set, they should be directed to ECRT
 - c. Financial Aid & Scholarships
 - i. HEERF II (Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund) will be awarded to students soon
 - d. Financial Wellness Program
 - i. Hiring an SAO to support financial wellness work
 - e. Semel Healthy Campus Initiative (HCI) Gardens
 - i. Wrapped up Teaching Kitchen cooking classes in partnership with CPO
 - 1. Students who participated will receive a food card and cookbook by Marcie Rothman
 - ii. Garden is approaching 400 lbs in donations since campus transitioned to remote learning in March 2020
 - 1. Hoping to reopen in the summer

2. Working with student sustainability action research team on an edible landscaping project – would add more edible spaces on campus
 - a. Survey completed by over 400 students indicated the following:
 - i. 90% are interested in seeing more edible landscape
 - ii. 50% felt that 100% of the produce should go toward basic needs efforts
 - iii. 85% are interested in volunteering for maintenance of edible landscape across campus

f. Teaching Kitchen

- i. Updates shared in HCI and FITTED portions

g. CPO

i. CalFresh

1. Successful in getting the Anderson School of Management approved for graduate exempt program

ii. FITTED Eats

1. Partnered with the Teaching Kitchen on virtual cooking classes
 - a. Student participants received food cards so that they could purchase the groceries and recreate meals on their own

V. Announcements