

Student Success Fund for Excellence at the Lebanon Campus

Many students at community colleges across the country face struggles with food and housing insecurities. A study of more than 33,000 students at 70 community colleges showed that one in three students are regularly hungry, and 14 percent of students are homeless. Students at HACC's Lebanon Campus are not immune to these struggles. More than 10 percent of the population in Lebanon County live below the poverty level, and almost 60 percent of students at the Lebanon Campus apply for financial aid or are eligible for Pell Grants.

The Student Success Fund for Excellence at the Lebanon Campus was created to provide students with innovative activities and events that not only assist them with overcoming financial struggles but also show they truly matter to the College and employees. In the past, employees and even students have supported these activities and events, and now YOU can also help students by supporting initiatives like:

Free Breakfast Program

Food insecurity is an ever-increasing challenge for so many Lebanon Campus students. Gifts to this fund could provide up to 250 students with two vouchers each week for a free breakfast from the Quest Café on the Lebanon Campus. Students will self-identify and complete a confidential application at the Welcome Center.

Lebanon Campus "Giving Pantry"

The giving pantry would provide food and other necessary items for students in need. Lebanon Campus student organizations and employees will make the initial donation to fill the box with necessary items for their peers. However, supplemental donations will be needed to ensure this program continues to help students for years to come.

Textbook Library

The rising price of textbooks is a constant challenge for HACC students, forcing them to either incur additional debt to purchase the textbooks or to go without them. The textbook library at the Lebanon Campus would provide students with access to the most in-demand and expensive textbooks required for their coursework. Digital textbooks would also be available to students.

Food and housing insecurity is often a barrier that can prevent students from seeking or completing an education. YOU can help to ensure that students at the Lebanon Campus do not have to face these struggles by visiting hacc.edu/GiveNow to make a gift to the Student Success Fund for Excellence at the Lebanon Campus.

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