



# PRIVATE FOOD PANTRY

## FOR STUDENTS IN NEED

(Sponsored by the Office of Student Services)

To further enhance our mission here at Sofia towards health and wholeness, a compassionate effort was made to embrace our students throughout their educational experience here on campus. From the 2008-2009 school year, Student Services started two food pantries. One is located in the kitchen cupboards. This space is a free resource for any students on campus. Our hope is that students will take the food when they need it and add items when they can. The other pantry is specifically for students in need. This storage is in a private location.

**Students in need of food can contact Rosalie Cook, Dean of Student Services ([rosalie.cook@sofia.edu](mailto:rosalie.cook@sofia.edu))**

If you would like to donate food, you can also contact Rosalie, or drop by the student services office.



## FOOD STAMPS GUIDE

For those students interested in applying for food stamps, you will need to visit the local office nearest your city of residence.

The website is: <http://www.dss.cahwnet.gov/foodstamps/>

Be sure to bring all of these documents just in case:

- ◆ Ask Financial Aid to print you a copy of your federal work study and loans from the previous academic year.
- ◆ Ask the Accounting Office to also print you a copy from that time period of your account activity which shows your tuition cost, refund check, etc.
- ◆ Drivers License

- ◆ Copy of your Lease/Rental agreement (if you do not have a California driver's license)
- ◆ Student ID
- ◆ Pay Stubs (two most current months)
- ◆ Bank Statement

They will also look at all of your assets.

**For Work Study Students:**

\*\*When you are completing the required paperwork, make sure that you state wherever prompted about your “income for the month” that you receive **FEDERAL WORK STUDY (Which is EXEMPT)**. This means that your Federal Work Study monies are not included as a portion of your income. This is crucial information when you are assessed for eligibility.

\*\*\*The URL to the applicable legal standard is located at:

Here's the URL: [http://www.foodstampguide.org/?page\\_id=95](http://www.foodstampguide.org/?page_id=95)

*\*It may be a good idea to also bring a copy of this document to your meeting\**

