

NYCCT Thanks Governor Hochul for \$550,000 Emergency Food Pantry Funding

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New York Community College Trustees (NYCCT) expresses deep gratitude to Governor Kathy Hochul for her critical investment in student food security. The \$550,000 in emergency assistance allocated to SUNY Community College food pantries will directly support students facing food insecurity and help remove barriers to their academic success.

The Honorable Kathy Hochul
Governor of New York State
NYS State Capitol Building
Albany, NY 12224

Dear Governor Hochul:

On behalf of New York Community College Trustees (NYCCT), we write to express our sincere gratitude for your recent allocation of \$550,000 in emergency assistance to SUNY Community College food pantries. This generous funding will play a crucial role in combating the ongoing food insecurity crisis affecting our students.

Your commitment to addressing this pressing issue is vital, as food insecurity poses a significant barrier to academic success for many community college students. This critical funding will directly alleviate these burdens, allowing students to better focus on their studies and achieve their educational goals. Your support will make a tangible difference in the lives of countless students across our state.

We are deeply appreciative of your leadership and dedication to ensuring that all New York students have access to the basic necessities required for academic success. Your actions reinforce the message that no student should have to choose between food and education.

Thank you again for your unwavering support of New York's community colleges and the students we serve. We look forward to continuing our work together to create a brighter future for all New Yorkers.

Sincerely,

New York Community College Trustees (NYCCT)

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