



The Good Food, Healthy Hospitals initiative is convened by The Hospital and Healthsystem Association of Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania Department of Health, and the Philadelphia Department of Public Health

Highlighting 2024 Nutrition Security Grant Awardees

Good Food, Healthy Hospitals (GFHH) awarded eight grants totaling \$58,500 to Pennsylvania hospitals with impactful food security programs. Awardees are GFHH participants that offer services and programs to distribute, promote, or support healthy food in the hospital and broader community. Congratulations to the recipients!

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Keystone Mission’s Meal Outreach Program

Keystone Mission’s Meal Outreach Program serves individuals experiencing homelessness in Wilkes-Barre. Grant funds supported the purchase of a commercial freezer and smallware to expand the program, improve efficiency, and facilitate storage of fresh ingredients.



Episcopal Campus Food Pantry

Episcopal Campus Food Pantry aims to ensure resources are readily accessible and transportable from pantry to home safely and efficiently. Grant funds supported the provision of durable, reusable shopping carts and bags to enhance nutrition security and health equity.



HUP Harvest at Main Campus

HUP Harvest at Main Campus is a hospital-based program providing food, nutrition education, and local community resources for food-insecure patients, families, and the HUP community. Grant funds supported the purchase of reusable grocery bags for transportation of food, patient resource materials, and pantry supplies.



HUP Harvest at Cedar Campus

HUP Harvest at Cedar Campus is a food access program for the HUP Cedar Hospital community. Grant funds were used to purchase supplies for patient home deliveries and to expand the program's reach.



Penn Presbyterian Produce Program

Penn Presbyterian Produce Program addresses nutrition-related illness and undernutrition for low-income patients through a prescription program in which families receive three to four days' worth of food. Grant funds supported the acquisition of additional shelving and refrigeration.



Hall Mercer Food Pantry

Hall Mercer Food Pantry is moving to a larger space to increase food distribution and education to families experiencing food insecurity. Grant funds were used for educational materials, signage, and equipment for the new space.



Butler Memorial Hospital and Clarion Hospital Food Institute

The Food Institute aims to empower individuals and families to make healthier choices and manage chronic diseases effectively. Grant funds supported the development of promotional materials and community collaboration.



Frick, Latrobe, and Westmoreland Hospitals: Food Pantry Box Program

The Food Pantry Box Program provides nonperishable food to patients on the day of hospital discharge, and also aims to provide connections to long-term services. Grant funds supported the purchase of pantry equipment and food preparation supplies.

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