



UNLVCSUN

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

CONSOLIDATED STUDENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, LAS VEGAS

56th Legislative Session

SENATE BILL 56-01

AN ACT TO APPROPRIATE FUNDS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY IN RESPONSE TO THE 2025 GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWN

Bill Number: SB 56-01

Authors of Legislation: Jose Ibarra Lira, College of Liberal Arts Senator, Kelechi Odunze, Student Body President

Sponsor of Legislation: CSUN Ways And Means Committee

WHEREAS, the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada Las Vegas (CSUN) represents all 27,000+ undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Nevada Las Vegas; and

WHEREAS, the Senate of the Consolidated Students of the University of Nevada Las Vegas, under the authority of CSUN Constitution VI.D.01, is “empowered to enact any legislation that falls under the jurisdiction of CSUN”; **AND**

WHEREAS, the Bylaws allow the usage of the Interest Bearing Account whenever “Emergency funding items that impact the entire student body.” As stated in Subsection D.1.ii under Chapter 402 Section 1; **AND**

WHEREAS, CSUN must actively advocate for the needs of the 27,000+ undergraduate students enrolled at the University of Nevada Las Vegas; **AND**

WHEREAS, the UNLV food pantry supports hundreds of students and faculty daily by providing food assistance; **AND**

WHEREAS, during the 2025 United States Government Shutdown, students who are receiving benefits from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) are at risk of losing vital nutritional support; **AND**

WHEREAS, the UNLV Food Pantry is expected to receive an influx of students needing supplemental food assistance; **AND**

WHEREAS, the UNLV Food Pantry will use the funding for protein, canned goods, produce, and other essential food items for the support of the UNLV community; **AND**

WHEREAS, the CSUN Ways and Means Committee will review the request on during WM 56-01; **AND**

WHEREAS, after being seen by the Ways and Means Committee, has been approved for an amount not to exceed \$15,000; **AND**

THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED, CSUN shall appropriate \$15,000 money amount one time to fund the UNLV Food Pantry and where all costs are to be encumbered from the CSUN Interest Bearing Account in adherence with the Ways and Means Operating Policy.

ADDENDUM A

Food Pantry Presentation

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1qS2jRWY21W7gVDUgCJXKBdjTOtI_9btI/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=117047969923688411336&rtpof=true&sd=true

SB 56-01, ADOPTED by the Senate on this ___ Day of ___, 20__

Sharon Flores, Senate President

Liana Wieand, Senate Secretary

SB 56-01 , APPROVED on this __ Day of __, 20__ by

Kelechi Odunze, Student Body President