WKU Food Pantry

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Hunger can be a real issue, especially this time of year.

In this week’s View from the Hill, Amy Bingham shows how WKU’s Food Pantry helps meet those needs on campus.

With all the stress that college brings, going hungry shouldn’t be something students have to worry about. That’s where the WKU Food Pantry comes in.

 “We make sure to keep everything organized, have to go through all the food and check expiration date.”

Hazard freshman Courtney Ritchie puts in nearly ten hours a week at the food pantry as part of her Bonner Scholarship requirements.

 “I like the idea of helping my community have access to food and other needs.”

She and other volunteers keep the donations organized. Luckily more food has come in since Thanksgiving.

 “Before Thanksgiving we were bear so there’s a real need for people trying to feed their families for the holidays like Thanksgiving or near Christmas.”

The Food Pantry is located inside the Gender and Women’s Studies House on State Street. It’s a larger space than where the pantry started out over a year ago in Potter Hall.

7:22 “It started in a closet until they found a room for it. “

The extra space means they have room for more donationsl Ritchie says it’s a great feeling to help not only students but some faculty and staff as well.

 “It’s really rewarding to know they won’t go hungry and will have needs met.”

The WKU Food Pantry is located at 1532 State Street. If you would like to donate, it’s open from 8 to 10 am Monday, Wednesday and Friday and 8 to 9 am Tuesday and Thursday. After next week it will close until next semester.

With this week’s View from the Hill, I’m Amy Bingham.

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