#BringACanToCampus to Help Those in Need

On April 21st, my dad, Dr. Christopher Fiorentino, will be inaugurated as the 15th president of West Chester University. To mark this exciting new chapter for the University, my family is teaming up with staff and faculty members, community partners, and student volunteers to organize a campus-wide inaugural campus food drive to benefit both the Chester County Food Bank and the WCU Resource Pantry, which provides for students in need.

Hunger relief has been a lifelong passion of mine. I have fond childhood memories of my parents helping me to organize a neighborhood canned food drive for our community, a lemonade sale to raise money for a local organization that provides hot lunches for those in need, and a bake sale to raise money to help fight childhood hunger. Now as a registered dietitian and proud WCU alumna, I feel honored to co-chair a committee that is actively working to provide hunger relief for our community.

Hunger is a very real issue in Chester County. Ten percent of residents face food insecurity, meaning that they do not have consistent access to adequate amounts of nutritious foods. Organizations like the Chester County Food Bank and the Resource Pantry provide nourishing foods to help to alleviate hunger across our county, but they need our help!

Now through April 17th, join us in nourishing our neighbors by donating a shelf-stable food product to our food drive. Donations can be dropped off in one of our 16 collection bins across campus. An additional bin will be located at the district office of State Representative Carolyn Comitta, 21 West Washington St., Suite A, in West Chester. Members of the local community are encouraged to drop off food at this location from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on weekdays.

Monetary donations to the WCU Resource Pantry also are greatly appreciated. You can make a donation on the WCU Foundation website. Please be sure to type in the Resource Pantry fund number #2966-904.

Or you can mail a check to West Chester University Foundation, 202 Carter Drive, West Chester, PA, 19382. Checks should be made out to WCU Foundation. In the memo line, please add Resource Pantry #2966-904.

Learn more here: http://www.wcupa.edu/president/campusFoodDrive.aspx

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FH21LTCkuR8

Thank you for your support of this important cause!