

ECONOMIC INCLUSION AND MOBILITY



A beacon for quality food and nutrition access.

COLUMBUS STATE

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Helping the community is in our DNA.



As Columbus State's plans for a new, state-of-the-art Hospitality Management and Culinary Arts Building come to life, we find ourselves asking:

How we can do more?

We want to do more than just to put up a new building. As we invest, we also want to bring positive impacts to those we serve, namely, our students and our neighborhood.

Join us.

GROWING TOGETHER

We recognize and appreciate that we are here for the community and that we must improve and grow together. We love our campus and are proud to be creating a new home for our outstanding culinary and hospitality programs.

What makes us proudest, though, is helping others. And you can count on us to do that both now and with each new investment we make. Join us in the cause.

Our Vision →

A new food pantry in the Creative Campus area of the Discovery District.

Healthful meal preparation training and supply for the surrounding community.

Long-term and just-in-time supportive benefits to **ensure no student in need goes hungry.**

Profit donation from our future restaurant, café and catering operations toward supportive philanthropic opportunities.

MAKING IT HAPPEN

Making Food Accessible

We envision a collaboration creating a food pantry serving both the campus community and area neighborhoods located with ease of access in mind.

Sharing Expertise

We will leverage our new teaching kitchens and theater to provide hands-on expertise and meals for area residents to take back home.

Meeting Emergency Needs

We will support our students by ensuring they are maximizing their available benefits, and envision a technology solution to load smart cards with just-in-time financial resources for emergency needs.

Building Social Enterprise

We will run our new restaurant, café and catering as social enterprises, so that the public can help us contribute more to the cause.

Partnering With the Community

In collaboration with the Mid-Ohio Foodbank, the YMCA, and other regional partners, we aspire to pursue these solutions and explore others to end food insecurity and improve family wellness in our community and beyond.

A SOCIAL IMPACT CORRIDOR

Investing in the community together.

As we create a new gateway within the Discovery District and to Columbus State, **we are mindful of the possibility for a social impact corridor of which our hospitality and culinary building is a catalyst.**

Imagine a neighborhood where access to health and wellness opportunities are a cornerstone to a better life. As the Creative Campus transforms, imagine an opportunity corridor where supportive services are within reach and accessible. Transportation. Child care. Transitional housing. The list is as long, and robust, as we can imagine it to be.

When a true network of partners is in place, there's no telling how far this corridor can go.



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