

## CSN, Assistance League Team Up To Help Students

The partnership supports Coyote Cupboards food pantries on CSN campuses

March 16, 2021 – The College of Southern Nevada and the Assistance League of Las Vegas have partnered to make sure Southern Nevada's college students don't go hungry as the economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic continue to disrupt lives.

After a successful, targeted campaign, the Assistance League is donating thousands of food and personal hygiene items to CSN's Coyote Cupboards food pantries. Even before the pandemic, almost half of CSN students surveyed reported that they couldn't afford to eat balanced meals "often" or "sometimes." The Coyote Cupboards, located in the student unions on each campus, provide critical food and personal hygiene items to students free of charge.

Donations include items such as pasta, canned goods, and rice, as well as soap and laundry detergent. It will all be loaded up at 10 a.m. Monday, March 22 at the Assistance League offices, 6446 West Charleston Blvd., and transported to CSN's Charleston Campus a block away. Media are welcome to attend.

"CSN is doing all we can to help our students stay in college, complete their education, and prosper once they graduate. Coyote Cupboards is a big part of that, helping to make sure that food for their families is not a concern," said CSN President Dr. Federico Zaragoza. "This support from the Assistance League of Las Vegas comes at an important time for CSN's students, and I couldn't be more thankful."

The Assistance League is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization that transforms the lives of children through philanthropic programs in the Las Vegas community. This is the first time the group has had a campaign that focused on college students.

"We became aware of the CSN's Coyote Cupboard and quickly realized we could team up to expand our support to students and their families," said Assistance League of Las Vegas President Sandy Dixon. "We are thrilled to be able to support our 'across the street neighbor,' the College of Southern Nevada, in multiple ways this year! You can count on our continued support."

What:	The Assistance League of Las Vegas Food Donation to CSN Students
When:	10 a.m. Monday, March 22
Where:	Assistance League of Las Vegas, 6446 West Charleston Blvd.

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