Alfred University Food Pantry open Saturday

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ALFRED, NY The Alfred University Food Pantry will hold its next distribution on Saturday, May 5, from 12 to 3 p.m. at the pantry, located in the Judson Leadership Center, corner of Ford and Sayles streets. Saturday&s food pantry will include produce donated from a local farmer's market as well as AU Fresh, the University&s food service provider.

The food pantry, which benefits students and members of the campus and local communities, opened in October, with the first distribution held on Oct. 21. The pantry was originally open once a month, but for most of the 2017-18 academic year was open every other Saturday.

Organizers are asking for volunteers to assist with the distribution, collection of donated items and promoting the food pantry. Anyone interested in helping can email Kathy Woughter, vice president of Student Affairs at Alfred University, at <u>woughter@alfred.edu</u>.

Non-perishable food items can be donated at various points on the Alfred University campus. Items in demand include: macaroni and cheese dinner, peanut butter, jelly, foods that can be cooked in a microwave oven or eaten out of the package, and pasta sauce. Also, food contained in smaller servings (rather than that which must be preserved in a refrigerator), easy-to-open packages and pop-top cans, as well as general non-perishables, are in the highest demand and are easiest to manage and store at the pantry.

In addition to the Judson Leadership Center, donated items can be dropped off at the information desk and Center for Student Involvement, Powell Campus Center, McLane Center, and Ade Hall.

Anyone wishing to provide financial support for the food pantry should contact Woughter by phone at 607-871-2132 or by email.