

# Feeding PVCC with Boxes for Winter Break

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Over Thanksgiving break, PVCC's Financial Resource Center sent students home with boxes filled to the top with food and special items for students and families in need. The center provided boxes for over 120 students and their families. Eight of these boxes went to veterans.

Amanda Key, Student Financial Resource Center Coordinator said, "The bags contained food items. We were able to get turkeys and other meats. We gave each student one of the resource guides we created here in the resource center. There were toys for kids in the boxes, which is different because typically when you get food boxes, there's nothing in there for the kids. It's just food. We made sure there was also financial aid information, so that students knew that we were providing the information, but that we also want you to know that this is still a college and you should take advantage of all the resources here."

In total, the Financial Resource Center ended up filling 60 boxes. Some students chose not to sign in or be counted.

"In terms of food, it was close to 1200 pounds. For our first year, that is huge!" said Key. The Resource Center worked with students and families to plan around their schedules regarding picking up the

boxes.

"We met them where they were at. The center stayed open from 7 in the morning to 9 at night some days. The students were very appreciative.



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