

# UC SANTA BARBARA

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## Basic Needs Resources

### Financial Crisis Response Team

Assists undergraduate and graduate students who are facing significant financial difficulties that jeopardize their path to graduation through emergency funding and resource connection. The Financial Crisis Response Team (FCRT) works closely to evaluate, respond, and support students experiencing a Financial, Housing, Food or Technological related insecurity in a streamlined and timely manner. If you are experiencing a financial or housing crisis, please email the FCRT at [financialcrisis@sa.ucsb.edu](mailto:financialcrisis@sa.ucsb.edu)

### Basic Needs Peer Advisors

Are student interns that are trained in all of the resources on- and off-campus which can support students in accessing fresh and healthy food, safe and stable housing, technology needed for classes, and other basic needs. Advocates can help students to identify what resources might be the best fit for their needs and guide them through applying for support. You can book an appointment with a Basic Needs Peer Advisor here: <https://shoreline.ucsb.edu/meetings/m2820/book> (please login with your UCSB netid) or chat with us on <https://food.ucsb.edu/> (see bottom right corner). You can also schedule an in-person appointment at our Food Security and Basic Needs Advising Center in the UCen (next to Jamba Juice and the campus store, across from Storke Plaza), please see our hours here: <https://food.ucsb.edu/resources/basic-needs-advocates>.

### CalFresh

Is a program where you might be able to secure up to \$234 per month in grocery store benefits. If approved, you would receive an EBT card, which works much like an ATM card and through which you can receive funding for groceries. You can use the card at local grocery stores. You can learn more about the program and see if you are eligible here: <https://food.ucsb.edu/calfresh>. The UCSB CalFresh and Basic Needs Peer Advisors are available to help you to apply for CalFresh.

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