

FOOD SECURITY TASK TEAM – PROPOSED WAY FORWARD

At its inaugural meeting on 26 February 2021, the Food Security Task Team agreed provisionally on the following:

- To use a blended approach to food security
- To target 1000 students for one meal a day initially and exceed based on capacity
- To revive the Campus kitchens
- All efforts to ensure food security should be co-ordinated through the Task Team
- The Chair should produce an evidence-mapping template to link interventions and outcomes and show how these will influence the delivery model and impact
- To request a strategic budget from the Vice-Chancellor and set up a common cost centre for fundraising
- The Chair should submit a general business plan for the UKZN Food Security Programme and include **all currently active initiatives**, namely:
 - UKZN Foundation: fundraising campaign (R194 000), R36 000 monthly contribution; Food Forward SA campaign (UKZN pays R350/month to benefit R18 000's worth of groceries; distribution of 50 boxes of Rise Against Hunger meals
 - Student Services Division: meal vouchers; distribution of 30-60 boxes of Rise Against Hunger “Nutri-Go” meals to Campus Clinics; MoU with Gift of the Givers to deliver 50 boxes of food packs per campus per month; agreement with Food Forward South Africa to collect food packs from Pinetown depot
 - Student Services Development Company: targeting NSFAS students; exploring traditional meals; working with SRC to select food vendors; considering negotiations with catering companies regarding leftover food; have one kitchen per campus to be used to cook and hand out one meal a day
 - DVC Agriculture, Engineering and Science: vegetable-growing at Ukulinga farm, aiming at all-year-round production
 - SRC: humanitarian drive for toiletries – to be linked to food security
 - College of Health Sciences, Human Physiology: staff-supported student feeding scheme