

# CLASSIFIED SPOTLIGHT

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## **What does your department do?**

We provide resources for students who need support with their basic needs. This includes a free food pantry, free professional clothing closet, free food distributions, direct support, emergency aid, basic needs workshops, and connection to community resources.

## **What do you do?**

I coordinate all of our Basic Needs Programs. Including the Food Pantry, professional clothing closet, free food markets, direct student support and emergency aid. Additionally I meet with students to assess where and how the college can provide basic needs support or make referrals to community programs.

## **Common issues you help students/staff with?**

The most common issue is basic needs insecurity.

## **What do you like best about your job?**

I am a natural problem solver/fixer. My job is the perfect outlet to help others with solutions to assist them in attaining their educational goals.

## **Fun Facts:**

I was the first member of Poway 4-H to win 3 ribbons in baking (2 blue and 1 red).

