# KNOX PRIDE FOOD PANTRY EXPANSION

United Way Hackathon for Food Security

September 27, 2022

## Project Plan

- Expansion of Knox Pride food resources including updated pantry space, community garden and an outdoor Freedge
- + Install "blessing box" at South Press Coffee to provide 24/7 access to non-perishable foods
- + Expand Youth WINS hot meal and transportation voucher programs

### **Target Population**

- + Knoxville Homeless Management Information System identified **3495** homeless individuals in Q2 of 2022
- + In Q2, there were **359** homeless youth served
- + There is a significant homeless population in South Knoxville



## **Community Need**

- + Resources for homeless and youth in South Knoxville are limited
- + Many are places where LGBTQIA+ individuals do not feel comfortable
- + Currently serving **30-40** individuals a week at South Press and **40-60** a week at Knox Pride Community Center



## PROGRAMS & SERVICES

**AFFIRMATION** 

Gender affirming services and resources. Contact story@knoxpride.com for more info.

FOOD PANTRY

Food and essential toiletries available for pickup during business hours.

LIFE SKILLS

Free workshops to help you adult better. Topics include: cooking, cleaning, finance, job skills, car maintenance

SUPPORT GROUPS

Support groups for a variety of needs.

CLUSET

Clothing available for community members as needed.

MEETING SPACES

Host your next event in our Collaboration or Vocational suites!

**GOCIAL EVENTS** 

Karaoke! Matchmaking! Dance Parties! Youth Groups! Game Nights! D&D and more...

MARKETS

Sell your goods and services and/or support local LGBTQIA+/ PoC owned small business!

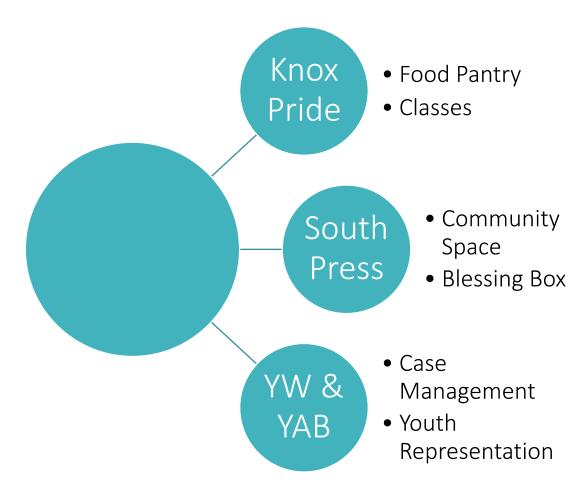
## Intended Outcomes

Short Term	Long Term
Distribute more desired, fresh foods to individuals in need	Reduce food insecurity in South Knoxville
Maintain current life skill development and reengagement programming	Reduce the stigma that surrounds accepting food assistance programming
Increase access to safe spaces in Knox County for homeless and LGBTQIA+ individuals	Create new programs to further life skill development and community reengagement





## **Equity**













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#### PANTRY OPEN HOURS

PICK UP OR DROP OFF

MON-SAT llam - 6pm