What is the Carolina Cupboard?
Carolina Cupboard is a student organization that works closely with Student Affairs to address food insecurity at UNC. “The mission of Carolina Cupboard is to provide food assistance to individuals of the UNC community by acquiring and distributing food to those in need on campus. The initiation of Carolina Cupboard stemmed from the idea of supporting and providing assistance to our community in other ways than academics and social events. Before we can be ambassadors of social change and serve the rest of the world, we must serve our own.” ([https://carolinacupboard.web.unc.edu/](https://carolinacupboard.web.unc.edu/))

Why Bondurant Hall?
The School of Medicine is partnering with Carolina Cupboard to establish this satellite location to better serve students in the health professions, who may find it difficult to access other pantries on campus.

Where is the UNC SOM Food Pantry located, and when is it open?
The pantry is in room 1072 Bondurant Hall, just off the elevators on the 1st floor. It is open to the public during normal Bondurant Hall business hours: 7a – 5p, Monday – Friday.

Who can access the UNC SOM Food Pantry? Are users tracked?
The UNC SOM Carolina Cupboard at Bondurant Hall supports all members of the UNC community, whether students, staff, or faculty. All are welcome. It is not necessary to prove need nor to provide personal information. Users will be asked to register their visit (via a log book or QR code) so that we can track usage / number of individuals served by the Cupboard. The only required information is to indicate whether they are student, faculty or staff; and how many people they are “shopping” for. This information will help us advocate for additional resources, as needed.

What items are available at the UNC SOM Cupboard?
As we launch this pilot program, we are starting with stable pantry items including cereal, canned vegetables, rice, pasta, peanut butter and jelly, etc.; plus, some cleaning supplies and personal hygiene products. When users register their visit, they will have the opportunity to request additional items. Carolina Cupboard can adjust the inventory to accommodate dietary needs and preferences, and can also supply additional non-food items such as baby diapers, formula, toiletries, adult diapers, etc.

What are the future plans for the UNC SOM Cupboard?
We will closely monitor use of the SOM Cupboard, and there may be the potential to grow the Cupboard if we identify a need for our community, such as the need for fresh food or produce. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Ali Ramirez [alir@email.unc.edu](mailto:alir@email.unc.edu) or Laine Stewart [Laine_Stewart@med.unc.edu](mailto:Laine_Stewart@med.unc.edu) with questions.