

2024 Free Holiday Market



Students hold their treasures at last year's Holiday Market.

One of the most cherished and memorable events from last year is back! On December 4, from 3–5 p.m. in the STEM building, we will be hosting the Second Annual Free Holiday Market for Clark College students.

Why a Free Holiday Market?

The idea originated during the pandemic. We're all too familiar with quarantines, family and friends being kept apart, and lockdowns. The feelings of isolation and loss of normal, everyday living took a great toll on our communities. The Free Holiday Market was a way to get students, faculty, and staff back on campus for a community-building event that benefits students and families.

The cost of living is up and so are the requests for Penguin Pantry food boxes. Students struggle to make ends meet. When

students must decide where their money is spent, rent, food, utilities, and childcare come first. Spending money on gifts and fun things falls by the wayside. *Enter the Free Holiday Market!*

Clark College is here to serve the student population. The Free Holiday Market shows them that Clark cares about them and their families at every level. Every item available for students at the market is free. All items are generously donated by faculty and staff. Representatives from various support services at Clark will be at the market.

How You Can Get Involved

Faculty and staff can volunteer to help run the event OR host a table of donated and 'regiftable' items.

Please visit the links below to learn more about helping out with this event!

- Students can register by emailing their Name and Student ID number to: holidaymarket@clark.edu
- Student volunteers sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0B4FAEAD28A0F58-52212521-clark?useFullSite=true#/>
- Staff and Faculty Volunteer sign-up including hosting a table: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E49AAAB2BAAFBCF8-52638720-staff?useFullSite=true#/>

Flyers available for distribution:

- <https://news.clark.edu/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/FHM-24-Table-Hosts.pdf>
- <https://news.clark.edu/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/FHM-24-Student-Volunteers.pdf>
- <https://news.clark.edu/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/FHM-24>

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This year's event is sponsored by the ASCC club: NERD Girls & GEEKS along with the Engineering program and the McClaskey Culinary Institute. If you have questions contact the organizers at holidaymarket@clark.edu.

Learn more: Read about last year's inaugural Free Holiday Market.