# Saint Louis University interventions to alleviate hunger among students



### **SLU Policy on Project Daily Bread (PDB)**

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November 25, 2022	Date: A-D-20
Rev. Fr. Gilbert Sale	os CICM
President	Through: Dr. Noel B. De Leon DEC 0 5 2022 Vice President for Finance
Dear Rev. Fr. Sales,	
A blessed day	to you from the Project Daily Bread Committee!
We are please (PDB) program has re enrolled in SLU.	ed to inform you that for this Academic Year 2022-2023, the Project Dally Bread esumed its provision of lunch meals to the PDB beneficiaries who are currently
Junior High School and offices were already i	of whom indicated their need for PDB. We also included six (6) students in the id Senior High School who are from the Halfway Home for Boys. Also, the various informed of the resumption of the program and that we are opening slots for is a result, we have been receiving referrals and are currently interviewing
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Saint Louis University spearheads the Project Daily Bread (PDB), a project aimed at continuously helping and funding some of the student's meals. Every free meal counts to SLU PDB beneficiaries, in which despite their struggles in life, PDB Project can help students in simple ways to complete their education.



## SLU Initiated Project Daily Bread for a Sustainable Free Meal Assisting Students Get Through in their Education

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#### by Nerisa T. Gonzalo, Coordinator for Project Daily Bread and Guidance Counselor for Center for Counseling and Wellness

While most students mull over how they could spend their extra money, Magnolia Ein Andrei Doria, a Louisian graduate of Bachelor of Science in Nursing, chose to regularly donate to SLU's mission ad intra Project Daily Bread. This is an unusual occurrence since the majority of the donors for PDB are employees of Saint Louis University. Despite her busy schedule as a Nursing student, she would often find time to visit the Guidance Center to give her donation. On one of those days, we took the opportunity to briefly interview her and get to know more about her story.

Magnolia shared that it was in her CFE class that she learned about Project Daily Bread. She recalled this encounter during her early years in college;

"My professor was narrating the story of how some students spent their time at the library because they cannot afford to buy their lunch meals. I could not bear it, the idea that while I live a comfortable life, thanks to my parents who are amazing providers, I have fellow students who endure hunger just so they can finish their studies. I was trying so hard not to cry over what I was hearing while in class. So I said; this should not be happening, I need to do something."

And she did

Her strong desire to help and the opportunity to do so came as soon as her professor introduced Project Daily Bread. Without hesitation, she went to the Guidance Center (now referred to as the Center for Counseling and Wellness) to at least contribute to the cause.

"I had difficulty finding the Guidance Center, but that did not deter me because I was driven to take action." Her parents fully support Magnolia's charitable initiative.

"I grew up witnessing my mother generously help other people. Giving back to the community is something that our family believes and practices."

Magnolia further shared that giving is her way of expressing gratitude for all the blessings that she receives Sometimes, she would celebrate her birthday by offering a larger amount of money to PDB.

Magnolia officially graduated with a degree in Nursing this June of 2023. She plans to work and help her sister establish a pharmacy in their community.

"I still want to help as much as I can, because it is a great privilege to be able to do so."

Magnolia's contribution to Project Daily Bread helps fund some of her fellow student's meals. Every free meal counts to our PDB beneficiaries who, despite their struggles in life, aim for the completion of their education.

Magnolia's generosity is a testament to the truth that kindness knows no season.

