The UT Parking Food Donations for Citations Program provides benefits to our campus community through allowing food and hygiene items donations for the Smokey’s Pantry to be made in lieu of parking citation payments in certain instances. Food Donations for Citations is an SGA, Smokey’s Pantry & UT Parking and Transit partnership that aims to alleviate students’ monetary stress by offering an alternative to paying for citations while helping Vol students, staff and faculty who don’t have a stable food supply. The program’s donated items are given to Smokey’s Pantry, a food assistance resource for those within the University of Tennessee community. The program policies are as follows:

A) Eligible participants would be active students, faculty and staff listed in official UT Knoxville records (IRIS & Banner).
B) The two types of citations covered are no-permit and unauthorized area violations.
C) Food donations can be used in lieu of payment for up to one (1) citation per fiscal year (July 1-June 30) with the individual citation amount not exceeding $32.00.
D) The donation may only apply to $24.00 or $32.00 citations and may not be used to make partial payments on other types of violations, or used to pay a higher amount owed to UT Parking.
E) For each qualifying citation, a donation of at least five (5) new unopened regular-sized, non-perishable unexpired items must be made. These include items listed on page 2 of this document. Items should be in a bag or other appropriately-sized non-breakable container and not loose.
F) Within fourteen (14) days of the issuance of a citation, approved items can be dropped off at the UT Parking and Transit Office, located at 2121 Stephenson Drive, and staff will help customers complete the process to dismiss the appropriate citation if all conditions are met.
G) The following are not acceptable violations and/or reasons for dismissing a citation under this program: Any other violations not classified as a $24.00 unauthorized area or $32 no-permit violation, including, but not limited to, the following: parked in an Accessible Parking Space or Access aisle (hash marked area), vehicle impoundment or immobilization (booted), parked in a Fire Lane, etc.
H) Up to a total of 500 parking citations may be waived under the Food Donations for Citations Program each fiscal year.
I) The citation and food donation do not have to occur in the same fiscal year, but the violation and donation must be in consecutive fiscal years. For example, a citation from two years ago cannot be paid off through a food donation.
J) If a person has outstanding parking fines exceeding $100, then they may not use Food Donations for Citations until the balance is $100 or less.
APPROVED DONATIONS FOR CITATIONS ITEMS (AT LEAST 5 ITEMS MUST BE DONATED)

Food:
- Peanut Butter (≥ 12oz)
- Canned Beans (≥ 8oz)
- Canned Meat (≥ 5oz)
- Canned Soups (≥ 10.5 oz)
- Non-Condensed Soups (such as Campbell’s Chunky soups, Progresso soups, etc., 18.5oz)
- Chef-Boy-R-Dee (≥ 15.5oz)
- Canned Chili (≥ 15oz)
- Canned Fruit (≥ 8oz)
- Canned Vegetables (≥ 15oz)
- Spices (≥ 2oz)
- Granola Bars (≥ 1oz)
- Oatmeal (≥ 1.5oz)
- Breakfast Cereal (≥ 20oz)
- Sauces and condiments (such as tomato sauce, soy sauce, and others that make food more enjoyable) (≥ 5oz)

Hygiene Items:
- Toothbrushes & Floss
- Toothpaste (≥ 4oz)
- Deodorant (≥ 2.5oz)
- Shampoo (≥ 12oz)
- Conditioner (≥ 12oz)
- Liquid body wash (≥ 12oz)
- Bar Soap (≥ 4oz)
- Lotion (≥ 8oz)
- Tissues (regular size, not small/mini pocket tissues)