# **RU-N DOWN NEWS**

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## **Celebrate the Season of Giving**

#### 2022 Winter Blessing Drive

With over 6,000 toys collected in the past 5 years to impact and improve the lives of nearly 700 children, RUPD Newark Division, RU-N Staff Council, and many other partners are happy to announce the return of the Winter Blessing Drive. Some of this year's recipients include Newark Public School students, The Safe House, North Jersey Community Research Initiative (NJCRI), Valor Veteran's Shelter, and Wynona's House. Shop and drop off before 12/20/22 or buy and ship using the Amazon Wish List.

**Dropoff locations include:** 

200 University Ave, 154 Summit St & 110 Warren St, room 110





### Raptors vs. Raiders III—Victory!

With contributions from throughout our campus community, we are proud to announce that, like the Golden State Warriors, Miami Heat, Houston Rockets and Detroit Pistons, Newark has emerged victorious in both donations and dollars raised in this year's Raptors vs. Raiders Challenge, with back-to-back wins! Far exceeding initial projections, the food pantry campaign raised over \$48,000 for all the Rutgers University food pantries.

Thank you to everyone who donated. We are looking forward to a 3peat next year!

### On the Horizon—Upcoming Events

### **Chat with the Chancellor Returns**

RU-N Staff Council's "Chat with the Chancellor" event, with Chancellor Cantor and the Executive Leadership team returns! Scheduled for Thursday, 01/26/23 from 10:00-11:30am, both in-person and virtually, do not miss your opportunity to have your voice heard and questions addressed by campus leadership.

Registration is open, <u>click here to sign up!</u> Have a question you'd like answered? Submit it to our suggestion box by <u>clicking here!</u>

Mark your calendars and watch your email for updates/additional details!



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### Hend Elburi, Director, Nutrition & Food Pantry

\*Favorite Comfort Food?

I love cheese and popcorn (not together).

\*Favorite Animated Character?

I can't just choose one, so here are my top 3: Miles Morales from Spiderman: Into the

Spiderverse, Baymax from Big Hero 6, and Sadness from Inside Out! \*What person, historical or current, inspires you?

Malcolm X.

\*Favorite thing about Autumn?

Perfect weather—I love to be a little bit chilly and wrapped up in a blanket!

\*Pets?

No pets! But I would love to live on a big piece of open land one day and have an alpaca.





### Honnee Foster, Program Coordinator I, Clement A. Price Institute

\*Favorite Comfort Food?

Chicken Stew from my instant pot.

\*Favorite Animated Character?

SpongeBob SquarePants—that guy just goes for it!

\*What person, historical or current, inspires you?

The person that has inspired me most in life is Michael Jordan. He was not the most naturally talented basketball player (LBJ is), his work ethic is what made him the G.O.A.T. Work ethic is an X-factor in this life.

\*Favorite thing about Autumn?

Besides the wonderful fall colors, I LOVE to crunch leaves.

\*Pets?

I do not have pets. I have previously had a fish and hope to get more soon!

would like to wish each of our campus community members a happy and healthy holiday season!
We look forward to continuing to work with you in 2023!

On behalf of the RU-N Staff Council, we

