LibreFoodPantry: Developing a Multi-Institutional, Faculty-Led, Humanitarian Free and Open Source Software Community

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- Engaging students in HFOSS projects provides real-world software development skills while helping society.
- Working in existing projects is challenging.
- Faculty-led projects remove many challenges but are often too small and have no continuing community interaction.
- Multi-Institutional community combines benefits of faculty-led and large community.

#### **HISTORY**

- 1. NCC (in 2015), WNE (in 2018), and WSU (in 2018) open campus food pantries.
- 2. CS faculty evaluate existing software at workshop and decide to build their own.
- 3. Pilot in Spring 2019 courses.
- 4. Retreat in Summer 2019 to reflect, establish community norms, unified vision.
- 5. Classes and development in Fall 2019, Spring/Summer/Fall 2020, Spring 2021.
- 6. Architectural redesign to Microservices.

#### **CHALLENGES**

- 1. Licenses to allow code and documentation to be used freely by anyone forever.
- 2. Establish community governance structure that is welcoming and inclusive to all students and faculty. Make it easy for faculty to join the community and shape the project to meet their campus' needs.
- 3. Develop workflow that uses industrystandard tools and processes, and allows student teams help guide the project.
- 4. Choose communications tools that keep history and encourage transparency.
- 5. Allow faculty to easily review student contributions to provide feedback.
- 6. Generate story map to work toward a unified vision of the software's future.

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# Involving students in a Humanitarian

Free and Open Source Software

(HFOSS) community can be a great

learning experience, but hard with

existing communities.

So, we built our own with students

and faculty in mind, and used it in our

classes.

Want to join us? Find out how at our Lightning Talk tomorrow in Session 3A at 11:50am.





Take a picture to download the SIGCSE 2020 paper

Take a picture to view our community's website





## **SOLUTIONS AND RESULTS**

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#### **Community and Governance**

LibreFoodPantry is a vibrant, welcoming community of clients, users, and developers who believe in developing and maintaining humanitarian projects. V enhance computer science education through involvement in instructor-led, free

pantry projects, we provide students with the perspective that computing can be

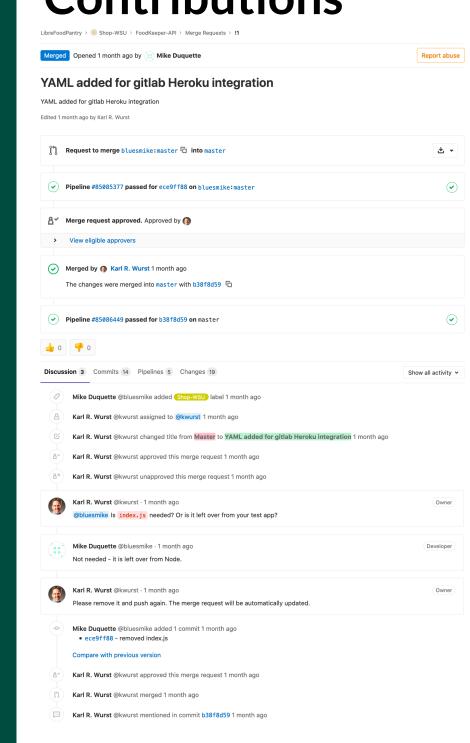
To ensure a healthy and safe environment in which to collaborate and learn, and the following values. We expect all community members to read and uphold these

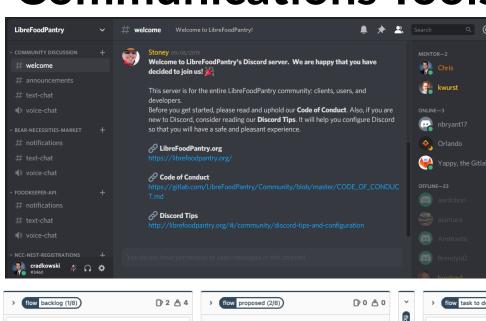
LibreFoodPantry is guided by a Coordinating Committee comprised of Trustees and Shop Managers. This body typically meets weekly.

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# **Reviewing Student** Contributions





# **Code of Conduct**

diverse, inclusive, and healthy community.

Examples of behavior that contributes to a positive environment for ou

We pledge to act and interact in ways that contribute to an open, welcoming

Being respectful of differing opinions, viewpoints, and experiences

 Accepting responsibility and apologizing to those affected by our mistake Focusing on what is best not just for us as individuals, but for the overal

The use of sexualized language or imagery, and sexual attention or advances of

 Publishing others' private information, such as a physical or email addres without their explicit permission Other conduct which could reasonably be considered inappropriate in a

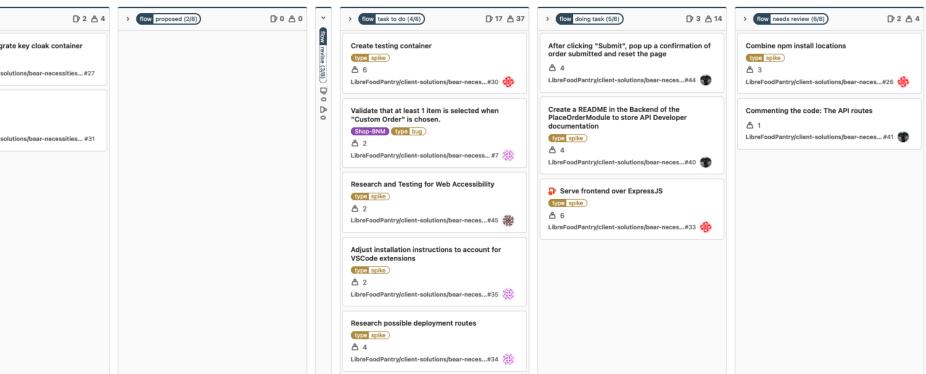
comments, commits, code, wiki edits, issues, and other contributions that are not aligned to this Code of Conduct, and will communicate reasons for moderation decisions when appropriate.

This Code of Conduct applies within all community spaces, and also applies Examples of representing our community include using an official e-mail address, posting via an official social media account, or acting as an appointe

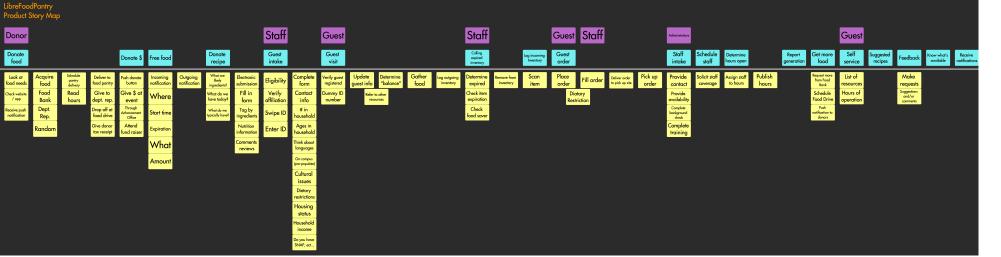
Instances of abusive, harassing, or otherwise unacceptable behavior may be reported to any one (or all) of the community leaders responsible fo



#### Workflow



## **Story Map**



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**HUMANITARIAN FOSS PROJECT**