Food insecurity is a real issue unfortunately faced by many students at SJSU. The SJSU Spartan Food Pantry is a walk-in, full-service, staffed, food assistance program that provides a resource for students to receive non-perishable goods, fresh produce, and refrigerated items to eligible students. However, imagine that our SJSU Spartan Food Pantry was redesigned with a stronger focus on ecology and sustainability. Designed by students and for students, what would you want to see available and how can you improve the package and delivery?

Students were asked to design products that utilize sustainable materials and manufacturing methods that could support the Spartan Food Pantry and decrease single-use packaging waste.

Students were required to access our online and physical Material Connexion database to research innovative material and process alternatives to what’s used currently.