



KENAI PENINSULA



# Food Bank

# FOOD FOR THOUGHT



## Summer is in Full Swing!

And so is the food bank! With the summer events starting, the increase in need across the peninsula, the additional areas we are serving, being short-handed on staff and food, and our new technology and software being fully integrated, KPFB has been working non-stop. Despite the challenges, we've been able to serve more people and do more in the community than ever before thanks to you!

Thank you so much to all the volunteers who have stepped up to fill the gaps and help us accomplish amazing things! Thank you to all the donors and sponsors as well, for helping us reach new areas and supplement the continuously dwindling supply of food! What we do would not be possible without you.

As we look forward into summer, we're reminded of the return of salmon and the growing season. We're also reminded of the people unable to harvest their own food, who depend on the food bank throughout the year. We know the fight against hunger isn't over, and are so grateful for people like you who are as dedicated to the peninsula as we are. Thank you!

### What's New?



Raffle Tickets      On sale now!

King of the River      July 2nd, 12 - 5 pm

Free Oilers Night      July 4th, 6 pm

Kenai Peninsula Fair      August 12th

Soup Supper      August 19th, 5 pm



# KPFB and Food Bank of Alaska in DC!

KPFB participated with the Food Bank of Alaska in the National Anti-Hunger Food Policy Conference in Washington DC as a part of the Alaska Food Coalition. We met with our Alaskan representatives--Senator Murkowski's office, Senator Sullivan's office, and Representative Peltola--to address the critical needs of our fellow Alaskans. Thank you Food Bank of Alaska for inviting us and paying Greg's way!



# EVENTS

## KING OF THE RIVER FOOD DRIVE

Kenai and Soldotna will compete to see which city is able to gather the most non-perishable food and monetary donations for KPFB. Donators are entered into a drawing to win \$1,000, drawn at the Oilers game on July 4!

DROP OFF DONATIONS AT THE KENAI PENINSULA FOOD BANK JUNE 26-30TH FROM 10 AM - 4 PM TO GET A HEAD START FOR YOUR CITY!

WINNING CITY'S MAYOR OF THE KING OF THE RIVER EVENT THROWS THE FIRST PITCH!



CARL'S JR LOT

BLAZY MALL

Accepting Donations July 2nd from 12-5 pm

## Free Oilers Night

The Peninsula Oilers, KPFB, and the Boys & Girls Clubs of the Kenai Peninsula have partnered for a free Oilers baseball game event! There will be a BBQ at the game-mayors on the grill serving FREE hot dogs and drinks for all attendees. There will be fun games for kids too!



JOIN

US!

JULY 4TH 6:00 PM

Coral Seymour Park - 103 S. Tinker Lane, Kenai



## Soup Supper

Join us for our 28th annual Soup Supper Dinner and Auction Fundraiser to help raise funds for feeding our neighbors in need!

Each ticket comes with a hand crafted bowl, delicious soup dinner, and access to our live and silent auctions. Tickets are available at the food bank and any of our events.

\$50

Soldotna Sports Complex August 19th at 5:00 pm



Join us at the fair in Ninilchik this year! On the 13th, fair entry will be free with a donation of food to the food bank.

August 13 all day

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# EVENT SPONSORS

## DIAMOND

**GLM** *Michael and Debbie Maddox*

**central peninsula hospital**

**PCHS**

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Join our wonderful sponsors in supporting the food bank through sponsorships of our annual fundraisers! We have three sponsorship opportunities left this year:

- Join over 20 sponsors in sponsoring the King of the River and Oiler's Events.
- Join our incredible sponsors in supporting our Soup Supper this August 19th.
- Join our wonderful sponsors in sponsoring the It's Scary to be Hungry on October 31st.

**USADEBUSK** **HPC** **INDUSTRIAL** POWERED BY CLEAN HARBORS

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**SOLDOTNA PROFESSIONAL PHARMACY** **G & S CONSTRUCTION Inc.** **PENINSULA REFUSE**

**Kenai River Auto Repair** **Specialty Excavating** **REDUBT**

## Your gifts to our neighbors are incredible!

By sponsoring and hosting food drives and events, donating to fundraisers, and volunteering, you've helped us bridge the gap in need this year! We've seen such an outpouring of volunteers and donors, and are so grateful to everyone for the time, treasure, and talent they've investing into feeding the hungry. Thank you to everyone who has contributed to these efforts!



# ANNUAL RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SALE!



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Here is your chance to win an incredible prize as well as help support the Kenai Peninsula Food Bank! We have four different raffles happening right now:

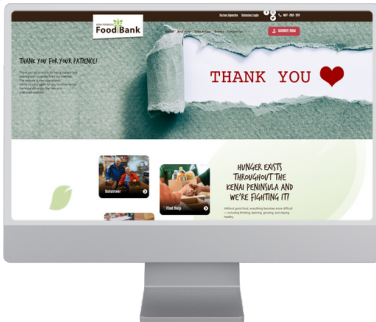
- 2 round trip tickets ANYWHERE Alaska Airlines flies \$100/Ticket
- Polaris Sportsman 570 4-Wheeler \$50/Ticket
- John Deere x350 Lawn Tractor (riding lawn mower) \$25/Ticket
- Yamaha Raptor 90 Kids 4-Wheeler \$20/ticket

If you would like to purchase a ticket or get more information please call 907-262-3111 or stop by the food bank!



## OUR WEBSITE IS BACK!

KPFOODBANK.ORG



AFTER WEEKS OF FIXING, MIGRATING, UPDATING, AND MORE, OUR WEBSITE IS BACK UP AND RUNNING! THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR PATIENCE DURING THIS TIME OF TRANSITION! WE EVEN HAVE NEW WAYS TO DONATE AND ONLINE AGENCY PAYMENTS.



# Big News!

NEW SOFTWARE

NEW SOFTWARE

P2

THE WAREHOUSE NOW HAS NEW TRACKING SOFTWARE THAT MAKES FEEDING PEOPLE AND KEEPING TRACK OF FOOD SO MUCH EASIER! IT'S ALSO BETTER FOR OUR PARTNER AGENCIES, AND USES SIGNIFICANTLY LESS PAPER. WE'LL BE ABLE TO HAVE AN ONLINE VOLUNTEER SYSTEM WITH IT SOON TOO! THANK YOU, P2!



**Chef Stephen Lamm and Sous Chef Christopher Smith brought home the win during the Return of the Reds chef competition! If you want to know the recipe he used, watch our Facebook page for the cooking demonstration.**

## Return of the Reds

We'll be posting the video at the end of June!

## THANK YOU!



**JUDY SWARNER AND THE CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH MADE BIRTHDAY BAGS AND DONATED THEM TO KPFB!**

**SOLDOTNA ELKS CLUB DONATED EASTER GOODIE BAGS TO KPFB!**



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# THANK YOU!

To all the incredible volunteers and donors who have helped the food bank over the last few months!

**LOCAL MISSIONARIES AND THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD CHURCH HOSTED A 3 MONTH LONG FOOD DRIVE THAT RAISED 150 POUNDS OF FOOD!**



**ARBY'S FOUNDATION AND INSPIRE FOUNDATION MADE A GENEROUS DONATION, AND ARBY'S EMPLOYEES VOLUNTEERED!**



**ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH MIDDLE SCHOOL CHILDREN OF DESTINY GROUP DONATED THEIR TIME AND SEVERAL BIRTHDAY BAGS TO KPFB!**



**A COUPLE IN THE COMMUNITY DONATED OVER 500 POUNDS OF HAMS IN MAY!**



**THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LETTER CARRIERS HELD A FOOD DRIVE ACROSS THE PENINSULA AND DONATED TO KPFB!**



*The Sterling Lutheran Church's Lutheran Women's Missionary League donated 89 items to KPFB for the 80th year of LWM!*



**COOK INLET ACADEMY FIRST GRADERS HELD A BAKE SALE AND GAVE THE PROCEEDS TO KPFB!**



**PATTI TRUESDELL AND HER GRANDDAUGHTER SVEA MILLER CREATED SEVERAL SODA CAKE KITS FOR KIDS BIRTHDAYS AND DONATED THEM TO THE FOOD BANK!**



**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP CATHOLIC CHURCH DONATED 469 POUNDS OF FOOD TO KPFB!**



**THE SOLDOTNA ALASKA STAKE OF THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS PUT TOGETHER SHOWER KITS AND BIRTHDAY BAGS AND DONATED THEM TO KPFB!**



**FRESH 365 DONATED FRESH LETTUCE TO KPFB!**

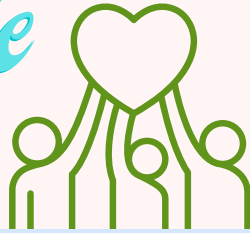


**CREDIT UNION 1 DONATED 237 POUNDS OF FOOD AND NECESSITY ITEMS TO KPFB!**

**WISDOM TREE HOMESCHOOLERS VOLUNTEERED THEIR TIME AND TALENTS AT KPFB!**



# KPFB in the Community



We're getting out in the community more than ever before, and partnering with even more non-profits!



## ANIMAL FAIR

Linda, Randi, and Lilly had a great time feeding pets at the Kenai Animal Shelter animal fair on June 10th!



## Kenai Peninsula Air Fair



Sean, Marti, and Craig had fun helping and watching the planes at the air fair on June 10th!



## COLOR RUN

Greg got a workout in when he directed traffic at the Color Run on the first Wednesday at the park!



## KENAI RIVER FESTIVAL

Greg had a blast volunteering at the Kenai River Festival's Beer Garden checking IDs!

He helped out on both Friday and Saturday!



## WILDWOOD MEET AND GREET INFORMATION FAIR

Greg was able to give out information about KPFB and services while attending the meet and greet! We were also able to send a lot of information to Mary, the Education Coordinator, afterwards.



Please consider giving to the organization(s) that you feel compelled to support. Pick Click Give approved organizations all strive to make our communities better places for everyone to live. All donations are tax deductible and donors will receive tax documentation from the State once the donation has been processed. Permanent Fund Dividend applications are available until March 31, though Alaskans can choose to add or adjust their pledges online until August 31. File for your PDF or add a pledge at [pfd.alaska.gov](http://pfd.alaska.gov)



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### Have you considered?

Email communication helps to reduce postage costs, and can be fiscally and environmentally responsible. We try to communicate with donors through email as much as possible. If you aren't receiving emails from us, but would like to, please contact [lmurray@kpfoodbank.org](mailto:lmurray@kpfoodbank.org)

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