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KENAI PENINSULA
Food Bank



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

We're swept away by the river of generosity from our community and beyond!

As the salmon struggle up stream this summer, the food bank has been struggling against the current of food insecurity. With the rising food prices and food insecurity reaching the highest it's been since the recession in 2008, we were fighting an uphill battle with no end in sight. But this past month, we've been swept away by the rushing river of generosity from our communities and beyond. Thanks to your support, we've been able to meet the needs of the new families, seniors, and children who have been seeking help! The support you all showed

What's New?

Soup Supper
8/24, 5-9 pm

Hunger
Action Month
All September

It's Scary to
be Hungry
10/31, 3-7 pm

during events such as the second annual King of the River food drive and the second annual Catching for a Cause fundraiser was overwhelming. Both events had bigger turnouts and more aid given than last year, which will go a long way toward meeting the needs of our communities. Thank you so much to all the sponsors, donors, event coordinators, food drive hosts, and volunteers who have helped us swim upstream!



Thank you for your continued support and considering our summer plea!

Your Gifts to our Neighbors are Incredible!

Putting meals on the table is getting harder and harder for our community members, as prices of food and fuel continue to rise. But your support has ensured that our neighbors receive hot meals



throughout the month! So far this year, you have contributed to providing thousands of meals to your neighbors across the peninsula. Thank you so much for all you do!

"Food is love, support, life. I live alone, so coming to the diner is a valuable place to share meals with others. It changes my life from just surviving to thriving & enjoying life. It makes me believe in the kindness of humanity."

~ Your Neighbor In Soldotna



Thank You Event Sponsors!

3. Gold

SAFEWAY



WELLS FARGO

1. Diamond

Mike Bateman

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central peninsula hospital

2. Platinum

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4. Silver

The Alaska Community Foundation



4. Bronze

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Kenai LAW GROUP





SOUP SUPPER



Save THE Date

Join us for our 29th annual Soup Supper Dinner and Auction Fundraiser to help raise funds for feeding our neighbors in need!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 24TH
SOLDOTNA SPORTS COMPLEX
DOORS OPEN AT 5:00 PM

BUY YOUR TICKET TODAY AT THE FOOD BANK OR ANY OF OUR EVENTS!

\$50

per ticket

Each ticket comes with a hand crafted bowl, delicious soup dinner, and access to our live and silent auctions.



Take action against hunger in your area this September! Hunger Action Month is your opportunity to join a movement that has a real and lasting impact on our effort to feed more individuals and families facing food insecurity. Donate or volunteer today!

SEPTEMBER IS HUNGER ACTION MONTH

Here is your chance to win an incredible prize as well as help support KPFB! If you would like to purchase a ticket or get more information please call 907-416-7619 or stop by the food bank!

Drawing at the Soup Supper!

IT'S SCARY TO BE HUNGRY

Join us for a family friendly event and food drive at the food bank on Halloween! There will be food from the Fireweed Diner, treats for the kids, and even dog treats from Pen Dog.

33955 COMMUNITY COLLEGE DRIVE, SOLDOTNA

OCTOBER 31ST
3PM - 7 PM

ANNUAL RAFFLE TICKETS FOR SALE!

Win 2 round trip tickets to anywhere Alaska Airlines flies!



\$100 per Raffle Ticket
Only 100 Tickets being sold!

Huge Thank You to the Marathon Kenai Refinery, Kenai River Brewing, and Sponsors!

The Marathon Kenai Refinery held the second annual Catching for a Cause last week, raising funds to feed our neighbors across the peninsula! Thank you so much to the sponsors and to Marathon for your overwhelming generosity and passion for feeding those suffering from food insecurity!

Thank you!



Thank you!



For donating beverages to the event and helping us raise more for our neighbors!



King of the River

Thank you to everyone who donated! The donations that came in during the competition broke last year's record at 48,403.65 total pounds of food and dollars raised, and will help us continue to help those in need. It's been so heartwarming to see our community members give so much to help. Thank you to Jeff Dolifka, Boys & Girls Clubs of the Kenai Peninsula, Oilers, our sponsors, KSRM, KDLL, Peninsula Clarion, cities and chambers of Soldotna and Kenai, representatives, and our communities for all you've done for the King of the River event!

THANK YOU!



Congrats!



For being crowned this year's King of the River with an inspiring 24,885.65 raised!

Thank you to everyone who donated at the Kenai Peninsula Fair this year, and to Laura McGinnis and the organizers! Your donations will go a long way toward bridging the gap of food insecurity.





Thank you!

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers, staff, board members, donors, and sponsors!

WALMART DONATED 17 BEAUTIFUL BIKES, 2 REFRIGERATORS, A MINIBIKE, AND SO MUCH MORE TO THE FOOD BANK!



PRAYING PELICAN GROUPS VOLUNTEERED IN EVERY AREA OF KPFB, AND HELPED US GROW OUR GARDEN!



KENAI PENINSULA SCHOOL DISTRICT'S ADMIN STAFF DONATED 43 POUNDS OF FOOD DURING THEIR SCAVENGER HUNT!



THE TEAM ALASKA MISSIONS GROUP VOLUNTEERED IN AT KPFB!



Anchor Point Food Pantry



New Building!

After over a year of planning, fundraising, and hard work, the Anchor Point Food Pantry has a permanent facility on their property! Thanks to the very generous grants from the Alaska Infrastructure Grant, Homer Foundation, CIRI, and 100 Women Who Care, and all the donations from businesses and individuals across the peninsula, a military housing unit was able to be purchased, transported, and installed on the property in Anchor Point. We've all worked hard to help our Anchor Point neighbors. Thank you all!

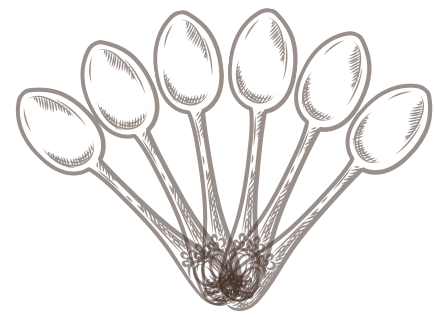
WAREHOUSE REMODEL UPDATE

Our warehouse remodeling project continues! Thanks to the hard work of Walmart Kenai, Lynden Transport, KPFB, and Mark Rozak with Steam on Wheels, KPFB has new refrigerator and freezer units for our warehouse.



LEAVE A LEGACY

Of Compassion



Your dedication to feeding our neighbors suffering from hunger has been reflected by your generous donations, volunteer work, and advocacy. Keep that light of compassion burning bright with a Legacy Gift and Planned Giving. Your investment in food programs and advocacy will yield benefits for decades to come. The food bank simply could not exist without donors like you!

Give from your Retirement

You can donate assets directly from an IRA to KPFB (qualified charitable distribution or QDC) if you're 70½ or older. A QCD generally does not increase your gross income and can satisfy your required minimum distribution, lowering your tax bill. QCDs can be made electronically or by check payable to KPFB.

Give from your Stocks

Giving long-term, appreciated securities has a dual tax benefit. When you give stocks, you receive a higher income tax deduction and the food bank receives more funds. To give from your stocks, contact your broker.

Testamentary Giving

Giving to KPFB at the time of your passing allows you to maintain control of the assets during your life and can reduce your heirs' estate tax liability. There are many ways to give:

- Talk to your lawyer about adding KPFB to your will.
- Add KPFB as a beneficiary on your retirement accounts, life insurance policies, or annuity contracts.
- Talk to your bank about adding a TOD or POD to your brokerage or bank account.

Endowment Giving

You can give directly to KPFB's Endowment and ensure your gift adds to the longevity of KPFB! There are several ways to give:

- Send in a check payable to "The Alaska Community Foundation" with "Kenai Peninsula Food Bank Fund" in the memo line or in an accompanying document.
- Donate online at alaskacf.org/funds/kenai-peninsula-food-bank-endowment-fund/

**FOR MORE INFORMATION,
CONTACT THE SOLDOTNA
EDWARD JONES AT (907) 260-
2670.**



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



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