



2024 Annual Report

Food Bank of Alaska



MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

A Year of Impact and Growing Need

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As I look back on 2024, I feel both deep gratitude and a strong sense of urgency. In my first year as CEO, I have been truly humbled by the dedication of our team, volunteers, and partners who work tirelessly to ensure Alaskans have access to food. I am also incredibly grateful for the generosity of our community. At the same time, I have witnessed the growing challenges our network faces—rising food costs, increasing operational expenses, and declines in federal commodities—making it harder for many community pantries to keep their shelves stocked.

Despite these challenges, Food Bank of Alaska remained steadfast in our mission. This past year, we:

- Launched the Meals to You program, significantly increasing the number of summer meals provided to children in rural Alaska.
- Re-launched Anchorage Restaurant Week, growing it to nearly 30 restaurants and securing more than 40,000 meals.
- Celebrated 20 years of Thanksgiving Blessing, ensuring more families had holiday meals than ever before.
- Marked 20 years of the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) in Alaska, providing over 10 million meals to support food security for seniors.

We received 8.3 million pounds of food and distributed 7.9 million pounds, mobilized hundreds of dedicated volunteers, and provided critical support to thousands of Alaskans—all while navigating industry-wide fundraising challenges and ensuring that 94.67% of every dollar spent went directly to program services.

There is still much work to do. This year, we will:

- Expand our Meals to You program to reach more rural communities.
- Grow volunteer opportunities to include family-friendly activities.
- Update our strategic plan to strengthen our impact.
- Celebrate 25 years as the sponsor of the Alaska Food Coalition, continuing our commitment to collaboration and advocacy.

The challenges are real, but so is our resolve. Hunger is not a problem we can solve alone. Whether through donations, volunteering, or advocacy—your support makes it possible for families, seniors, and children to get the food they need.

Thank you for standing with us.

Cara Durr, CEO
Food Bank of Alaska

FIGHTING HUNGER IN 2024

Your Impact

January 1–December 31, 2024



Food Distributed & Meals Provided

- **7.9 Million Pounds of Food Distributed** through 150+ Partner Agencies
- **Nearly 6.7 Million Meals Served to Alaskans in Need**
- **551,980 Meals Provided** through SNAP Outreach



Special Programs & Rural Support

- **25,154 Senior Food Boxes Delivered** Statewide
- **63 Rural Sites Served** from Ketchikan to Point Lay
- **10,093 Families Received a Holiday Meal** at Thanksgiving Blessing



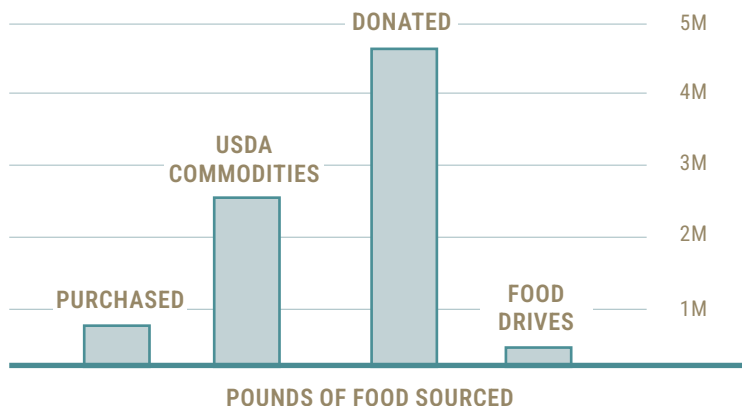
Volunteer and Advocacy Impact

- **16,300 Volunteer Hours Contributed**
- **2,123 People Assisted** with SNAP Applications



Sources of Food

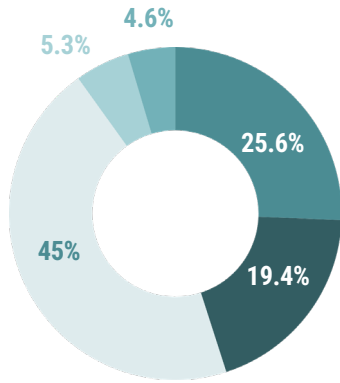
- **Purchased:** 792,257 Pounds
- **USDA Commodities:** 2,759,371 Pounds
- **Donated through Retail & Wholesale:** 4,672,870 Pounds
- **Food Drives and Individual Donations:** 205,865 Pounds



In total, we sourced 8,341,513 pounds of food in 2024

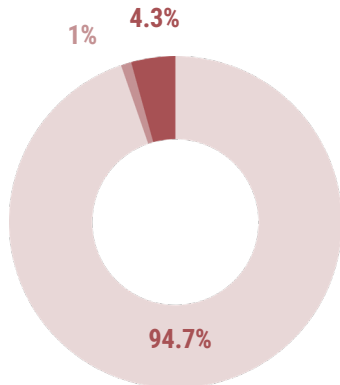
Our Financials

Reflects financial statements for July 1, 2023–June 30, 2024



REVENUE (includes food donations)

Donations: Individuals	\$2,408,595
Donations: Corporations, foundations, businesses and organizations	\$1,827,292
Government Grants and Contracts	\$4,236,274
Earned and Program Income	\$497,878
Other Revenue (including non food in-kind)	\$435,670
Value of Donated Food	\$12,698,898
TOTAL REVENUE	\$22,104,607



EXPENSES

Program Services (including value of food distributed)	\$22,390,715
Fundraising	\$247,253
Administration	\$1,014,453
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$23,652,421

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

June 30, 2024 and 2023

	2024	2023
Total Assets		
Cash & Cash Equivalents	\$5,063,955	\$4,354,785
Food Inventory	\$1,235,719	\$1,492,878
Property & Equipment (net)	\$13,810,195	\$15,065,885
Other Assets	\$1,572,060	\$949,014
TOTAL ASSETS	\$21,681,929	\$21,862,562
Liabilities and Cash Equivalents		
Liabilities	\$1,641,489	\$274,308
Net Assets		
Net Assets with Donor Restrictions	\$248,186	\$492,066
Net Assets without Donor Restrictions	\$19,792,252	\$21,096,188
Total Net Assets	\$20,040,440	\$21,588,254
TOTAL LIABILITIES & NET ASSETS	\$21,681,929	\$21,862,562

OUR ROLE IN FIGHTING HUNGER

Connecting Alaskans to the Food They Need

Food Bank of Alaska powers food distribution statewide, ensuring donations from businesses, retailers, and community drives reach partner agencies, pantries, and meal programs.

While we don't serve individuals directly, we provide the infrastructure connecting food donors, logistics partners, and hunger relief organizations.



Food Donors & Drives

FUELING THE WORK

Our work starts with generous in-kind donations from businesses, food producers, and local communities. These contributions ensure our warehouse remains stocked and ready to serve partner agencies.

- **TOP FOOD DRIVES:** ConocoPhillips, CANstruction, Fred Meyer, Bear Valley Elementary, Matson in Alaska, and Morgan Stanley
- **TOP FOOD DONORS:** Costco, Charlie's Produce, Pepsi Bottling Company, Walmart, Sysco Food Services, Fred Meyer, and Carrs/Safeway

Food Bank of Alaska

SORTING, STORING & DISTRIBUTING

We act as a logistics hub, ensuring donated food is safely stored, organized, and distributed across Alaska. Our warehouse team and volunteers sort, package, and ship millions of pounds of food annually to local hunger relief organizations.

Transportation Partners

KEEPING FOOD MOVING

Getting food to communities across Alaska requires a strong network of transportation partners that help move donations efficiently—whether by truck, barge, or plane.

- **KEY PARTNERS:** TOTE Maritime, Matson, Lynden, Weaver Bros, Ravn Air, Spernak, and Portage Transport

Community Food Banks & Partner Agencies

LOCAL IMPACT

Once food leaves our warehouse, it's delivered to over 150 local food pantries, meal programs, shelters and nonprofits that distribute it directly to Alaskans in need.

Hungry Alaskans

NOURISHING COMMUNITIES

Families and individuals receive food through our partner agencies, ensuring that no matter where they live—urban, rural or remote—help is within reach.

PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

Delivering Hope, One Meal at a Time



For nearly 60 years, Friends In Serving Humanity (F.I.S.H.) has been a vital resource for Anchorage families facing hunger. With no paid staff, they rely entirely on volunteers to pack and deliver three-day emergency food supplies to those in crisis. In 2024, they made 3,673 deliveries, feeding 14,850 people, including thousands of children.

“As one of only two volunteer-driven food delivery services in Anchorage, F.I.S.H. ensures that home-bound Alaskans don’t go hungry. Food Bank of Alaska is proud to support their work, helping them meet the growing need,” says Rebecca Guyer, Food Bank of Alaska’s Director of Programs.

But as food costs rise and demand increases, keeping pantry shelves stocked has become more challenging than ever. That’s where Food Bank of Alaska plays a critical role—providing bulk purchasing access, food donations and community partnerships to ensure organizations like F.I.S.H. can continue serving those who need it most.

Even with these efforts, demand continues to outpace supply. Thanks to the continuing support of donors and partners, F.I.S.H. and organizations across Alaska can keep delivering hope—one meal at a time.

SNAP: A Vital Lifeline for Alaskans



Hunger in Alaska continues to rise at an alarming rate. Nearly 94,000 Alaskans—1 in 8—struggle with food insecurity, including thousands of families, seniors, and children. **Rising food costs, supply chain challenges, and economic instability have made it even harder for many households to put food on the table.**

For many, SNAP is a critical safety net, ensuring they can afford the food they need. SNAP is also one of the most effective tools in the fight against hunger. For every one meal provided by the Feeding America network, SNAP provides nine.

At Food Bank of Alaska, we continue to expand our statewide outreach efforts, ensuring eligible

Alaskans can access these benefits. With the highest single-year increase in food insecurity since 2018, the need for SNAP has never been greater. In 2024, we helped clients submit 2,123 SNAP applications, the equivalent of 551,980 meals.

As important as this benefit is, 63% of food-insecure Alaskans earn just above the eligibility threshold, leaving them without access to this essential support. This is an area we have leaned into with our advocacy, ensuring that the program is accessible to those in need, including seniors and working families with kids.

As we work toward a hunger-free Alaska, SNAP remains one of the most powerful solutions we have.

MEALS TO YOU

Bringing Nutrition to Rural Alaskan Children

Hunger is a daily challenge for too many children in Alaska, especially in remote communities when school is out and access to food is even more limited. That's where Meals to You comes in. Demonstrated in 2024, this summer meal program delivers nutritious, shelf-stable meal boxes directly to children's homes in rural Alaska, ensuring they have the food they need—no matter how far they live from the nearest store.

“Getting food in our village is expensive, and sometimes the store runs out of basics before we can restock. These [Meals To You] boxes made a big difference for our family. They always arrived on time, and knowing they were coming gave me peace of mind that my kids would have something to eat.”

— ANONYMOUS PARENT OF 3

In 2024, Meals to You helped bridge the meal gap for rural students, delivering 583,000 meals directly to the homes of 5,300 eligible children across five school districts. Across the state, more than 619,000 meals were served to children through both Meals to You and other child nutrition programs, helping ensure kids in both rural and urban communities had the food they need to thrive. The program focused on 10 of Alaska's largest rural districts, most of which were part of the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)—a federal program that provides free school meals in high-need areas.

We are actively working to grow this program and reach even more children—ensuring that every child, no matter where they live, has the nourishment they need to grow, learn and thrive.



583,040 Meals
to Rural Communities
Through Meals to You
Last Summer



**10 School
Districts Served**
Reaching 5,300 Students



1,136% Increase
in Children's Meals
Served Statewide
from 50,119 in 2023
to 619,312 in 2024



THE HEART OF OUR MISSION

Volunteers

At Food Bank of Alaska, volunteers are the backbone of our operation. Every hour spent sorting, packing or labeling food translates into meals for Alaskans facing hunger. Whether working behind the scenes in our warehouse or helping distribute food, our volunteers make an incredible impact every day.



Volunteer Opportunities That Make a Difference

We offer a variety of meaningful ways for individuals and groups to give back and make an impact.

- **Food Reclamation** – Volunteers sort through 4.7 million pounds of rescued food each year, ensuring it reaches mobile food pantries and agency partners instead of going to waste.
- **Senior Box Builds** – Every month, volunteers assemble nearly 2,500 senior food boxes, providing nutritious staples to elders in need. That's 25,154 boxes annually—each one making a difference for a senior in our community.
- **Sort Room Volunteers** – From food drives to warehouse sorting, these volunteers organize donated food, ensuring it's ready for quick distribution to partner agencies.
- **Thanksgiving Blessing** – One of our largest volunteer-driven events, thousands of volunteers help distribute 10,093 holiday meals to thousands of families in need across Alaska.

Honoring Our Volunteer Champions

Every year, we are privileged to work alongside incredible individuals and groups who generously give their time to fight hunger. Our top volunteers and volunteer groups have gone above and beyond, making a lasting impact on our mission.

Want to get involved? Stay connected with volunteer opportunities, inspiring stories, and upcoming events by following us on social media. See our incredible volunteers in action and discover new ways to make a difference at foodbankofalaska.org!



#FEEDINGALASKA

COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

Dine Out Against Hunger

We re-launched Anchorage Restaurant Week in 2024 with astounding success. Nearly 30 restaurants signed up, raising an impressive \$20,000 in donations to support anti-hunger efforts in our community. Hosted during Hunger Action Month, this event didn't just bring people together over great meals—it created meaningful awareness about food insecurity in Alaska.

Local partners stepped up in a big way—project partners came together to demonstrate the power of community-driven impact. Every dollar raised helps Food Bank of Alaska provide two meals, meaning that participating restaurants and diners helped put 40,000 meals on the table for Alaskans in need.



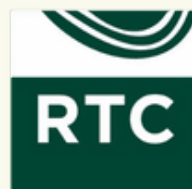
Join Us in 2025

If 2024 showed us anything, it's that this event has the power to grow. We are excited to bring even more restaurants, sponsors and food lovers into the movement next year. Together, we can serve up something even bigger—one meal at a time.

Visit foodbankofalaska.org to learn more.



Special thank you to our steering committee and sponsors:



Partner Agencies

No one person or organization working alone can solve hunger. That's why Food Bank of Alaska partners with others who share our vision for a hunger-free Alaska.

Adult & Teen Challenge Center Pacific Northwest
Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Akeela Inc.
Alaska Family Services
Aleut Community of St. Paul
Anchorage East Rotary Club MFP*
Anchorage Gospel Rescue Mission
Anchorage Native Assembly
Anchorage Northside SDA Church
Anchorage Senior Activity Center
Armed Services YMCA
AWAIC
Bean's Café
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Bethel Evangelical Covenant Church
Bethel Youth and 4-H Center
Big Lake Community Food Pantry
Blood n Fire Ministry of Alaska
Bristol Bay Regional Food Bank
Changepoint Church MFP*
Chignik Lake
Chuathbaluk Traditional Council
Chugiak-Eagle River Food Pantry
Chugiak Senior Citizens Center
Church of the Nations
City of Chefnak
City of Newhalen
City of Stebbins
Community of Metlakatla
Community of Nawalek
Community of Wales
Cook Inlet Housing Authority
Copper River Native Association
Covenant House Alaska
Denali Borough Food Bank
Neighbor to Neighbor
Dillingham 4H
Downtown Hope Center
First CME Church MFP*
F.I.S.H.
Four Winds Resource Center
Frontline Mission
Girdwood Chapel
Government Hill Backpack Buddies
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Hope Christian Fellowship
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Knik House
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Lutheran Church of Hope MFP*
Lutheran Social Services
MatSu Food Bank
Mat-Su Senior Services
MLK Jr. Foundation - Shiloh Mission
McGrath Native Village Council
Mountain Coast Vineyard
Mountain View Community MFP*
Muldoon Community Assembly MFP*
Naknek Native Village Council
Native Council of Port Heiden
Native Village of Eklutna
Native Village of Eyak
Native Village of Hooper Bay
Native Village of Koyuk
Native Village of Marshall
Native Village of Savoonga
Native Village of St. Michael
Native Village of Unalakleet
Native Village of White Mountain
New Hope Compassionate Ministries
New Season Community Development MFP*
Nome Community Center
Nondalton Tribal Council
Nulato Tribal Council
Our Lady of the Lake Food Pantry
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Prince of Wales Island Food Bank
Revive Alaska Community Services
Rights of Passage

Ruby Tribal Council
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S/A Cordova
S/A Family Emergency Services
S/A Haines
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S/A Kodiak
S/A Mat-Su Palmer
S/A Older Alaskans
S/A Petersburg
S/A Saxman
S/A Sitka
S/A Wrangell
Seward Senior Center
SonRise Community Church
South Central Foundation
Southeast Alaska Food Bank
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St. John United Methodist Church MFP*
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Summit Worship Center
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Traditional Council of Togiak
Upper Susitna-Sunshine Food Pantry
Valdez Food Bank
Voice of Christ
Wasilla Area Seniors Inc.
Willow Community Food Pantry
Women In Safe Homes
Wrangell SDA Church
Yakutat Tlingit Tribe
YoungLives Alaska



* Mobile Food Pantry (MFP)
** S/A - Salvation Army

Major Donors and Key Partners

We deeply appreciate the generosity of our key partners, whose support in 2024 made a lasting impact on our mission to fight hunger and serve Alaskans in need.

Your generosity fuels our work—every meal provided and every family supported is because of you. Thanks to donors like you, we've provided millions of meals across Alaska. While we can't list everyone here, we know **it takes all of us working together** to ensure no Alaskan goes hungry. Whether you gave time, resources, or advocacy, your impact is real—and deeply valued.

Thank you for standing with us in the fight against hunger.

ORGANIZATIONS

10 Chefs for 10 Causes
Alaska National – A CopperPoint Insurance Company
Anchorage East Rotary
Arctic Slope Regional Corporation
Bristol Bay Native Corporation
Brotherhood, Inc.
Coca-Cola Bottling of Alaska
Coffman Engineers
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Oil Search Alaska
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Penn State
Petro 49, Inc.
Tudor Road Bingo
Providence Alaska Foundation
Rocky Brands
Saint Patrick's Parish
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Showdown LLC
Skinny Raven Sports
Taiga Mining Company, Inc.

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The Chesapeake Charitable Foundation
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United Way of Anchorage
Verizon Foundation
Waldec Enterprises, Inc.

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Filling the Gap in 2025

Rising food costs have made it harder to meet the growing demand, but **\$5 still helps provide 10 meals** for Alaskans in need. As more people—many for the first time—turn to food pantries, we are working to fill the gap so no one goes hungry.

Thanks to generous supporters, we made a lasting impact in 2024—but the work isn't over. In 2025, we're expanding programs and strengthening partnerships to combat rising food insecurity across the state.



We need your help and your help makes a difference.

Every action—whether donating, volunteering, or advocating—brings us closer to a hunger-free Alaska.

Visit foodbankofalaska.org to stay involved!



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Founded in 1979, Food Bank of Alaska is dedicated to eliminating hunger in Alaska by obtaining and providing food to partner agencies feeding hungry people, and through anti-hunger leadership.

WE BELIEVE THAT NO ONE DESERVES TO BE HUNGRY.



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