



# Report On **ENDING** Hunger

2016 ANNUAL REPORT  
FOOD BANK  
of ALASKA



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**“Without the resources of the Food Bank, my mom and I wouldn’t have eaten.”**

### ***Grateful for the Chance to Give Back***

Robin Ninefeldt grew up in the Muldoon neighborhood of Anchorage believing that being hungry was normal. She remembers her mom making up stories about why there wouldn’t be a Christmas dinner, telling her, ‘We’re going to have a special fast for Baby Jesus this year.’ Robin would sometimes walk to Scenic Park Elementary and hop into the dumpster looking for food. When other kids rode up on their bikes and found her there, she would hide. “But at some point you have to climb out,” she remembers.

Hunger is often hidden, but Robin wants members of the community to be aware that even within their own circles there is hunger – co-workers who skip meals so their kids can eat or children for whom it is normal to eat only at school.

Food Bank of Alaska and our pantry partners helped her make it from a daily struggle with hunger to becoming an M.D. “Without the resources of the Food Bank, without the food pantry boxes that showed up on our doorstep, my mom and I wouldn’t have eaten,” she says.

Robin also credits teachers who paid attention and encouraged her to reach for big goals. She believes, “It is our responsibility as adults to notice those kids in need and to be the one who says, ‘I will be here if you need me.’” She is thrilled to have the chance to be that adult for kids in her old neighborhood.

She has a message for young people who think they are not good enough to make it. “Ignore anyone who calls you names or tells you that you’re worthless. You are a powerful soul, there is light in you that you do not even know.”

*Robin Ninefeldt, M.D., is the doctor at the new Alaska Regional Community Health Clinic in Mt. View near where she grew up and sometimes jumped into dumpsters to search for food.*

*Our Mission: 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.*

## MESSAGE

### **Your Support Builds a Strong Foundation**

2016 was a year of change for Food Bank of Alaska as I assumed the role of executive director and learned more about our state's hunger needs.

The dedicated board of directors and staff have welcomed the opportunity to create new goals and measures of success to meet the unfolding challenges during our state's current economic downturn. We are asking how our unique expertise and role in Alaska can best support our 225 partner food pantries and meal programs to feed the 106,000 Alaskans who struggle with hunger. We know that we must address our biggest choke point – Food Bank of Alaska's current warehouse in Anchorage. Today we send out twice as much food every year compared to when we first moved in and have added 100 rural partners.

Alaskans are also fortunate to have four committed partner food banks securing and distributing food in their service areas – Fairbanks Community Food Bank, Kenai Peninsula Food Bank, Kodiak Island Food Bank and Southeast Alaska Food Bank.

What remains constant, even in the midst of change, is our core belief that no one should go hungry, a belief I know you share. We are honored to be able to count on your support to continue filling plates and nourishing Alaskan communities until we – together – finally solve hunger in Alaska.

Jim Baldwin, Executive Director

## **Your Generosity Makes Rural Food Programs Possible**

*Because Carrie, who lives in Togiak, had to quit work to care for family, she is grateful for food assistance through Food Bank of Alaska and our partner Bristol Bay Regional Food Bank in Dillingham.*

Carrie hopes to get a job again once her grandson can join regular school classes. She lives in Togiak with her grandson and husband, who works at the local cannery. Carrie had to quit work to take care of an aging relative and her grandson who has special needs.

Like many Alaskans struggling to make ends meet, Carrie's family needs to piece together food assistance from several sources. They get a monthly food box from the Bristol Bay Regional Food Bank in Dillingham and SNAP benefits (also known as food stamps) to supplement their grocery budget. During summer when there are no school lunches, Carrie visits the summer meal program every day with her grandson.

These programs are possible because of your generosity. The summer meals program in Togiak is

sponsored by Food Bank of Alaska, which ships shelf-stable children's meals to the Bristol Bay village and more than 40 other communities through the US Department of Agriculture Summer Food Service Program. The food bank in Dillingham partners with Food Bank of Alaska to provide monthly food boxes with the help of USDA's The Emergency Food Assistance Program, or TEFAP.

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Carrie has hope for the future: "It may be hard right now, but I'm not going to be down here forever. I'm going to stand up and walk forward."

## BOARD & STAFF

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# Thank You, Advocates for Telling the SNAP Story

Right now, SNAP (the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, also known as food stamps) is under threat in the U.S. Congress. Nationally, this important program

accounts for 10 times the meals distributed by America's charitable food assistance network, making it impossible to replace those meals if SNAP were eliminated.

SNAP works. It is a federal program whose design effectively meets the need. Because SNAP benefits are provided to anyone who qualifies, the program expands when the need grows – as is happening now in Alaska's economic downturn – and shrinks when people are able to go back to work. In addition, every \$1 in SNAP benefits generates \$1.70 in local economic activity, helping out a weak economy.

Forty-five Alaska Food Coalition members met February 13-15 in Juneau to discuss the realities and challenges of fighting food insecurity in their communities. Advocates from Kotzebue, Chevak,

Kenai, Dillingham, Fairbanks, Anchorage, and other communities met face-to-face with their legislators to tell them the real story of what is happening with hungry Alaskans and how SNAP makes a difference.

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In March, Food Bank of Alaska staff and partners joined 1,300 advocates from around the nation in Washington, D.C., for the annual Anti-Hunger Policy Conference. The three members of Alaska's Congressional delegation appreciated hearing from us about the real impact on Alaskans of proposed cuts to SNAP.

You can sign up to receive Advocacy Alerts at [foodbankofalaska.org](http://foodbankofalaska.org). Your voice can make a difference: The decision-making process of members of Congress is influenced by hearing from constituents more than by anything else, according to the Congressional Management Foundation.

*Thanks to Alaska Food Coalition members and Food Bank of Alaska partners who traveled to Juneau in February to share with legislators the difference that SNAP benefits make for people in their communities.*

## SNAP\* FACTS

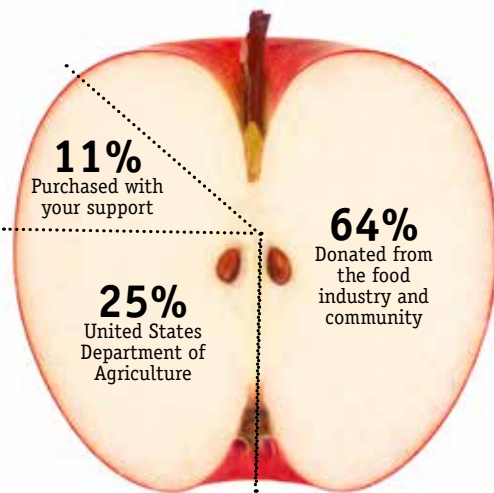
- 74% of SNAP households are families with children
- 24% of SNAP households include seniors or people with disabilities
- \$1.70 in local economic activity is generated by every \$1 of SNAP benefits
- 328,410 meals were generated by FBA's SNAP Outreach program during FY16

\* The federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, also known as food stamps

*Volunteers, including this box builder, logged 19,244 hours in FY16, making the difference of nearly 10 full-time staff people. You're the best!*



# Food & Transportation DONORS Make Full Plates Possible



## Sources of Food

For a tour of Food Bank of Alaska's warehouse and programs, please contact Karla Jutzi, [kjutzi@foodbankofalaska.org](mailto:kjutzi@foodbankofalaska.org), 222-3112.

## Top Food Donors

Carrs Safeway Warehouse and Stores • Walmart Stores • Charlie's Produce • Fred Meyer Stores • Sam's Club Stores • Sysco Alaska, Inc. • Di Tomaso's Fruit & Vegetables • Pepsi Beverage Company of Alaska • Franz Bakery • Pt. MacKenzie Correctional Farm • Target Stores • SeaShare

"Without generous donations of freight from the Lower 48, we could not afford to bring as many loads of fresh produce to Alaska or get turkeys here for Thanksgiving Blessing" – Operations Director Jason Lessard

## Transportation Donors

Carlile Transportation Systems • American Fast Freight • Lynden, Inc. • Matson • TOTE Maritime Alaska • Northern Air Cargo • United Freight & Transport, Inc.



Volunteers bag some of the apples purchased through a Municipality of Anchorage Human Services Community Matching Grant.

Potatoes are being washed and inspected at the Pt. MacKenzie Correctional Farm, one of FBA's fresh produce donors from the Mat-Su Valley. Last year, 29 percent of donated food was produce.



## THE DIFFERENCE YOU MAKE

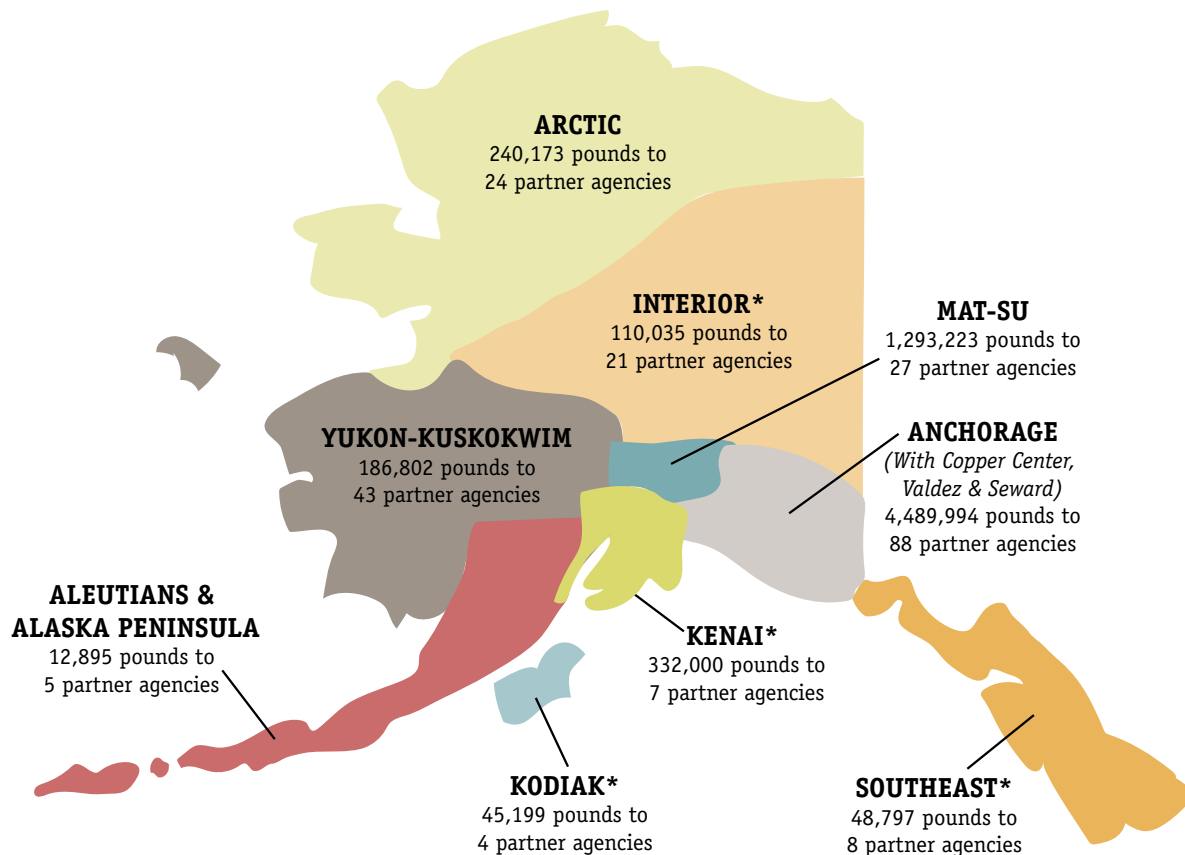
- 150,000** Meals for children distributed annually
- 1,600** Senior supplemental nutrition boxes given out every month, expanding to 2,000 in 2017
- 1.1 Million** Pounds of food distributed in Anchorage neighborhoods through our Mobile Food Pantry during FY16



*The Pribilof Islands school superintendent says the children's meals we sent to St. Paul, thanks to grants and your donations, are a "force multiplier" for students. In some classes, only one student in 12 gets breakfast at home.*

# Thanks to You

6.8 Million Pounds (5.7 Million Meals) Distributed Through 227 Partners



*\*Partner Distribution Organizations: We are proud to partner with four food banks that collect and distribute food in their service areas. The numbers shown here do not include food distributed by the Fairbanks Community Food Bank, Kenai Peninsula Food Bank, Kodiak Island Food Bank and Southeast Alaska Food Bank.*



# Financial Statements

Statement of Financial Position & Activities (as of June 30, 2016)

## ASSETS

<b>Current Assets:</b>	
Unrestricted Cash	662,166
Temporarily Restricted Cash	407,398
<b>Receivables:</b>	
Accounts, Net Allowance of \$2,500	202,913
Governmental Grants	353,099
Other Pledges & Deposits	50,031
Food Inventory	1,476,079
Prepaid Expenses	82,372
<b>Subtotal - Receivables</b>	<b>2,164,494</b>
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>	<b>3,234,058</b>
<b>Pledges Receivable, Non-Current</b>	<b>113,944</b>
<b>Property &amp; Equipment, Net</b>	<b>1,784,715</b>
<b>Building Held For Sale</b>	<b>57,226</b>
<b>Investments</b>	<b>124,014</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>5,313,957</b>

## LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

<b>Current Liabilities:</b>	
<b>Accounts Payable:</b>	
Accounts Payable	123,733
Accrued Salaries & Taxes	84,568
Unearned Revenue	117,391
Note Payable	10,157
Total Current Liabilities	335,849
<b>Noncurrent Liabilities :</b>	
Note Payable, Noncurrent	107,536
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>443,385</b>
<b>NET ASSETS:</b>	
<b>Temporarily Restricted</b>	<b>620,718</b>
<b>Unrestricted:</b>	
Designated for:	
Inventory	1,476,079
Property & Equipment	1,784,715
Endowment	124,014
Undesignated	865,046
<b>Total Unrestricted Net Assets</b>	<b>4,249,854</b>
<b>TOTAL NET ASSETS</b>	<b>4,870,572</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; NET ASSETS</b>	<b>5,313,957</b>

## CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS

<b>From Cash Operating Activities:</b>	
<b>Support</b>	
Individuals	1,258,528
Businesses & Corporations	755,803
Foundations	309,430
Government	1,054,134
<b>Subtotal Support</b>	<b>3,377,895</b>
<b>Other Income</b>	
Revenue - Fees, Memberships, Other	819,818
<b>TOTAL SUPPORT &amp; REVENUE</b>	<b>4,197,713</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>	
Food & Freight	1,687,762
Personnel	1,609,741
Occupancy & Other	884,939
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>4,182,442</b>

## CHANGES IN UNRESTRICTED NET ASSETS FROM CASH OPERATION ACTIVITIES

	<b>15,271</b>
<b>From Non-Cash Activities - Depreciation</b>	-164,075
<b>From In-kind:</b>	
Donated Food	10,999,655
Distributed Food & Freight	-10,641,712
In-kind Freight Donations	-332,233
	332,233
Other In-kind Goods & Services	-
Other In-kind Expenses	-
<b>Subtotal Non-Cash Activities</b>	<b>193,868</b>

## From Non-Operating Activities:

Investment Gains (Losses)	-1,486
Interest Income	1,922
Debt Service	-4,891
In-kind Capital Donations	57,226
Grants Released for Capital Purposes	335,118
Proceeds from Gaming	25,618
<b>Subtotal Non-Operating Activities</b>	<b>413,507</b>

## Changes in unrestricted net assets from non-cash and non-operating activities

	607,375
<b>Changes in Unrestricted Net Assets</b>	<b>622,646</b>

## CHANGES IN TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS

	351,784
Grants Received for capital purposes:	
Foundation	90,000
Federal	274,400
State	13,552
Net Assets Released from Restriction	-697,856
<b>CHANGES IN TEMPORARILY RESTRICTED NET ASSETS</b>	<b>31,880</b>

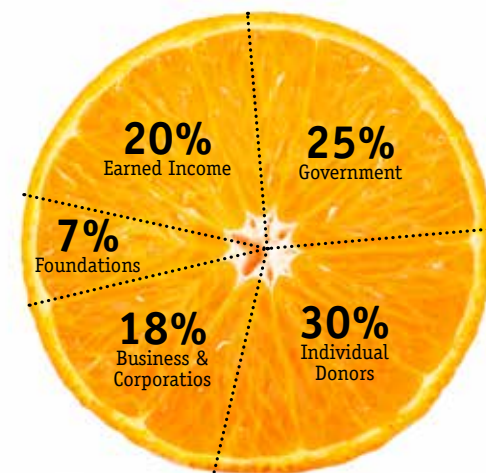
## CHANGES IN NET ASSETS

	<b>654,526</b>
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# Statement of Functional Expenses

For the Period from July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2016

	Program Services	Administration	Fund-raising	Total Support Services	Total
Salaries and Benefits	1,126,248	357,082	126,411	483,493	1,609,741
Purchased Food	1,252,736			0	1,252,736
Purchased Freight	435,026			0	435,026
Professional Fees/Outside Services	111,300	57,782	32,589	90,371	201,671
Operations & Maintenance	209,985		1,675	1,675	211,660
Utilities & Phone	93,615	2,729	2,109	4,838	98,453
Printing	12,567	10,522	13,776	24,298	36,865
Grants to Other Organizations	50,636			0	50,636
Dues & Subs	3,458	8,993	300	9,293	12,751
Travel & Meetings	95,084	25,221	399	25,620	120,704
Supplies	35,992	4,396	9,883	14,279	50,271
Postage	4,415	4,426	79,060	83,486	87,901
Debt Service	2,228	2,663		2,663	4,891
Other	1,281	348	12,398	12,746	14,027
<b>TOTAL CASH EXPENSES</b>	<b>3,434,571</b>	<b>474,162</b>	<b>278,600</b>	<b>752,762</b>	<b>4,187,333</b>
Debt Service - Loan Interest					0
Depreciation	137,750	21,975	4,350	26,325	164,075
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>3,572,321</b>	<b>496,137</b>	<b>282,950</b>	<b>779,087</b>	<b>4,351,408</b>
<b>In-kind</b>					
Distribution of Donated Food	10,641,712				10,641,712
In-kind freight	332,233				332,233
In-kind goods and services					0
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>14,546,266</b>	<b>496,137</b>	<b>282,950</b>	<b>779,087</b>	<b>15,325,353</b>



## Sources of Revenue

# Thank You - You Filled Many Plates and Nourished Communities

Your gifts - both small and large - added up to 5.7 meals last year that Alaskans struggling with hunger would have missed without you. We sincerely

appreciate every dollar, hour of time or can of food that you give, even though space does not allow us to thank everyone here.

## MAJOR DONORS FISCAL YEAR 2016 (July 1, 2015 - June 30, 2016)

### \$100,000+

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Feeding America, thanks to Walmart Foundation  
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### \$50,000 to \$99,999

1 Anonymous Donor  
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## Why We Give:

### *“Certain Things Are Out of Our Control, but Giving Back Isn’t”*

Mallory Hanus’ experience growing up taught her that it’s OK to ask for help even if you’re proud, as her mother was, or believe that you ought to feel ashamed for your family’s poverty which, of course, Mallory couldn’t control. She was in middle school in the Kent, WA, area when her parents divorced, one of several younger siblings who lived with her single mom. Her younger brother was very sick until diagnosed with Type 1 diabetes, and medical bills were enormous.



*Mallory and John Hanus are new monthly sustaining donors because instead of just talking about it, they want to give back and help people satisfy a basic need and right of all humans – to have enough food.*

Her mom tried to hide her financial struggles from the children, but Mallory started to realize what was happening. When her mom signed her up through school for a Christmas gift program for needy families, Mallory remembers being just as surprised as her PE teacher who delivered the gifts to their door to learn that she was a child in need.

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*“When you come out the other side, the problem is over for you but not for others who still need help” – Mallory Hanus*

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The good news is that her mom asked for help from a local food pantry, so Mallory’s family didn’t have to worry about having enough to eat. Help from the pantry meant her younger brother had access he wouldn’t have had otherwise to healthy food he needed to help manage his diabetes. Says Mallory, “When you’ve lived with so little as a child, for so long, it feels right to give back” now that she and husband John are financially able to do so.

Mallory, who worked in audiology, now stays home with their four-year-old. John has been with BP since 2007. He attended

a tour of Food Bank of Alaska in February and was impressed by the extent of the operations and the programs to distribute food in rural Alaska. It was his idea to become Sustaining Donors, making an automatic monthly gift. Mallory says, “We understand that the food bank knows how to stretch a dollar to get the most food for that money.”