

The Pantry Door

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Fantastic Fish!



Chuck Jay stopped by the pantry to donate, not one, but two coolers full of wonderful white fish! Our clients were beyond ecstatic! What a catch!

Franco and Caroline Venuti showed up at the pantry with a cooler full of fish donated by one of their neighbors. FishOn!





Malissa with Windy Seas Wild Fish Co called the pantry to say she had 30lbs of fresh salmon to donate. Laura McBride was on it! She gathered her crew and spent hours making homemade salmon patties that were then put into the Community Free Fridge and given to several volunteers. They were Fishtastic!



Kevin Burke, from Anchor Point, is all smiles as he donated fresh eggs to our pantry from his home flock. Made us want to break out with the Chicken Dance! Farm fresh eggs are highly valued and oh so good!

We are beyond grateful to the Homer Farmer's Market!



Pictured above, Oscar Brown and Lauren Jerew, staff of the Homer Farmers Market. (Not pictured is Joe Harrington)

Funded by the <u>Alaska Farmers Market Association</u> and the <u>Alaska Division of Agriculture</u>, as of August 30th the Homer Farmer's Market has sent a total of \$12,979 worth of produce to the Homer Food Pantry. The Homer Food Pantry provides a small stipend for the fresh veggies but we receive **so much** more in return and we still have September!



Mark and Hinhelina Goris and their family stopped by the pantry to donate the bulk of their catch of halibut! They were here on an Alaskan fishing adventure all the way from the *Netherlands*. Such a beautiful gesture as well as a *life lesson of giving* that seems to span the generations. We are humbled and blessed.

Coming to us from Casper Wyoming, and their first time to Homer, folks from Prince of Peace Lutheran Church joined forces with Praying Pelican Missions to lend a hand at the Homer Food Pantry! Your help was much needed and greatly appreciated! Welcome to Alaska!

