



The Pantry Door



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Young Missionaries from the LDS Church



Maddi Moore, Izzy West and Mailea Willden are missionaries from the LDS Church volunteering to make lunches for our Community Free Fridge! They were so great to work with. Thank you young ladies!

A Huge Shout Out to Our Amazing Pop-up Clinic!



Welcome Sue Christiansen and our own founder of the clinic, Lisa Zatz. We've had so much success with our clinic on Mondays, from 11:00-3:00. This Monday we are offering free flu shots to any and all who'd like to receive them. 'Tis the season! We also appreciate our other nurses, Sharon Gorman and Ann Doberstein.

~Caring and Sharing~

Celebrating 35 Years of HCFP!



This year's *Alaskan Arts and Adventures Fundraiser* at the *Porcupine Theater* was a *whale of a success!* We raised \$22,110.70 for the Homer Community Food Pantry. I can't begin to thank all those who so generously donated their art, dining experiences, lodging and fabulous adventures! Not only that, but also those who made the evening so much fun with their music, fabulous foods, and abundant bidding! So many involved throughout Homer to make this a remarkable success! **WE ARE SO, SO GRATEFUL!**

(Deb Schmidt and Zoe Story...let the bidding begin!)

Generosity of Our Private & Regular Donors!

To the left is a donation that a private donor has been bringing us about every 2 weeks. We have other donors who provide gallons of whole milk so families can get that. There's also a person who provides shelf stable milk each week. Numerous organizations and churches provide us with their garden stashes. Fat Olives provides 50lbs of potatoes, carrots, onions, and often cheeses. Two Sisters, Bear City Breads and Captains bake fresh breads for our patrons. With a budget of \$3,700 a week, we certainly couldn't provide what we do without them. We had a new high of 184 families, accounting for 350 people last week. It's tight times for sure!



Providing food and emergency assistance, with compassion, to those seeking our services.

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Upcoming Events!

**Monday, October 5th free shot clinic at the pantry.*
**Friday, November 6th is our annual Empty Bowl Fundraiser. We always hope to pass the year before, but we always run out of bowls! This year we thought we might upcycle any Homer Pottery Bowls that you might want to donate! Just drop them off at Grace Ridge Brewery when it gets near the date. Potters have been alerted and restaurants have been notified for soups and breads. The rest is up to us! Mark your Calendar and we look forward to seeing you at this Soup-er Bowl Community event!*

We Are So Grateful to...

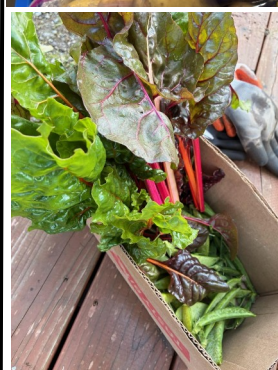
- *Michael Stegeman
- *Joan Edens
- *Doug Dodds
- *Dale and Deena Barwick
- *Fred Roehl and Linda Hedlund
- *Sons of the American Legion
- *Homer Real Estate Associates
- *Safeway, so generous
- *Save U More
- *Duncan House
- *All the Gardeners listed
- *All the Bakers listed
- *Fat Olives
- *The Numerous Churches
- *The Emblem Club
- *The Rotary Club
- *All our dedicated volunteers, the drivers and fridge stockers!
- *All who support HCFP

We are Humbled through your compassion and spirit of giving!
~So that none may go hungry~

Bring on the Viddles With Lots of Veggies!



Jean, with St. Augustine Church delivered a passel of potatoes to give to our clients on Monday. Ruth Dickerson showed up with a car load of tasty carrots, also from St. Augustine's! You are all so amazing and we love it!



Martindale's People's Garden has been thriving. We are also blessed to get produce from the Emblem Club, the Luthern Church, Bay Crest Green House, Twitter Creek Gardens and Homer Farmers Market. So many people who kindly give to HCFP.



So Much Generosity and Talent!

Brent and Ann Oberstein are new to HCFP. They spend their summers in Homer and are off for the winter. In their time here, Ann fills in for the nurses, greets folks at the front desk and she's an awesome piano player! Brent has been distributing food to our patrons and has quite the idea for a fundraiser! Whoo Hoo! Bring it on! Can't wait!



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