



# The Pantry Door

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## The Coordinator's Corner.

Fall is in the air as students return to their academics. Some are in classrooms. Others are on-line.

The Homer Food Pantry is taking steps to return to normal, as well.

The past six months have presented many challenges, but many opportunities to serve our community.



Dennis Weidler

As the weather turns cooler, requests for firewood have already begun.

Yet, tents and sleeping bags are also needed.

Thanks to all who have been cleaning out their freezers and to those who have donated fish caught this season, as well. Fish & Game donated all their unused food from their McNeil River station. Thanks so much! 

## A Special Thanks...

...to McNeil Canyon Meats for their willingness to process the sheep which was recently confiscated by the Alaska Department of Fish & Game.

Thanks so much for partnering with the Homer Food Pantry to provide fresh-ground sheep burger.

## Food Pantry Board Votes To Re-Open To Shopping.

At the August 25th meeting of the Homer Community Food Pantry Board of Directors, the opening of the Food Pantry to indoor shopping by clients was approved and will take effect on September 28th.

Hours of service will be reduced from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. to Noon to 3 p.m. effective September 7th. Delivery of food boxes will cease after September 14th. However, those clients who are elderly, disabled or unable to either visit the Food Pantry or pick up a box from the drive-through will be permitted to continue with home delivery. It is requested that they re-apply through the provider who originally requested service.

In-house shopping will require

adherence to several criteria. This includes wearing a mask, only a few may enter the Food Pantry at a time to maintain social distancing, a limited amount of time provided to select food items, and allowing staff to place produce you select in bags for you.

For clients who do not feel comfortable entering the building, a limited number of prepacked boxes will be available for drive-through service.

Non-food services will still be provided at the exit on the west side (atrium side) double doors.

Together, with everyone's complete cooperation, the Food Pantry will make every attempt to return to as normal an experience as possible. 

## Bette Seaman Elected To Kenai Food Bank Board.



Congratulations to Food Pantry Board member, Bette Seaman. She was recently elected to serve on the board of the Kenai Food Bank.

For the last 40 years or so, Bette

worked as a Registered Dietitian/Nutritionist in various capacities and retired from South Peninsula Hospital in July of 2019.

Thanks for a willing heart to serve the entire Kenai peninsula. 

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

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