



# The Pantry Door

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## Fabulous Farmers' Market!



**HFM Staff Members  
Oscar Brown, Joe Harrington  
and Lauren Jerew**

With the end of a very successful season, the **Homer Farmers' Market** contributed \$12,979 worth of produce to the Homer Community Food Pantry! This was **all** funded by the **Alaska Farmers Market Association and the Alaska Division of Agriculture**. Their dedication to HCFP has been remarkable! As we strive to work together in providing food to those less fortunate, the outreach continues to grow. **Nothing goes to waste!** What is not distributed on Mondays to the Food Pantry clients is then utilized by the **Community Free Fridge** in providing healthy meals and fresh produce. In the event that some produce begins to spoil, it is then salvaged by the **60/40 Project** and made into dehydrated meals and given to those in need. In the event that food does go bad, it is collected by local chicken, rabbit and pig farmers. It has turned into a beautiful cycle of giving and sincere altruism touching so many lives.

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

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## And So It Begins...



**The Food Bank of Alaska Infrastructure Grant** awarded HCFP \$47,700 for the purchase of a new outdoor cooler, including shelving, installation and a shed-like cover to surround it!



**Andy Armstrong**

The true beauty of this project is that it has been constructed entirely by volunteers! Andy Armstrong donated all of his electrical prowess in it's assembly and Matt Early of Beachy Construction poured the cement pad and will build the surrounding structure. Mike Kennedy operated the lift. Other dedicated volunteers were Randy Clifford, Kordell, Wendall, Dakota, Jordan, RJ & Larry. Words cannot begin to **thank you** enough. We are **blessed!**

We want to thank the **Homer Foundation David and Mary Schroer Grant** of \$3,000 that was given to HCFP. Your donation goes to those most in need in our community. Without people like you, we simply could not exist.

**Upcoming Events!** Our Fall Fundraisers are upon us! This year we'll be having a **Trick or Eat** Halloween food drive and the Great Pumpkin Pantry. Also, on Friday, November 10<sup>th</sup> will be our annual **Empty Bowl Fundraiser!** More info to come!