



Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Annual Report 2022

Presenting the Fairbanks Community Food Bank's Beloved Board of Directors 2022

“The reason why I serve the Fairbanks Community Food Bank is because Fairbanks and Interior Alaska is my home, and no one in my home should ever be hungry.”

**- Board Member Ray Bronson,
January 2020 - Present**

The last few years have been full of challenges, but our local board of directors has been THE BEST of THE BEST in our community through the many hard times which have been faced ... for 40 years! Our mission continues to be the one that started us in 1982 — we collect local surplus food and give it away free to local people who need it.

One of the saddest moments of the past year was the day we were notified that our dear **Karen Kiss**, who had been on this Board since August 1993, passed on to a larger and more universal food bank on May 20, 2021. She served on our Board of Directors continuously, sharing many leadership roles, for 28 years. She is missed in so many ways, but her interest in helping provide food for our local people was also shared with her local church, St. Matthew's Episcopal Church. Karen passed away unexpectedly, but not before she taught us one more very valuable lesson. We all need to say THANK

YOU more often, with genuine gratitude for a job well done. And that is the point of this newsletter. There are so many amazing people who have done amazing work in and for this local food bank.

In the winter of 2016, we wrote an entire newsletter thanking our Board members of that time, and we asked each one of them to tell us why they chose to be part of this organization. As we remember their touching comments of 2016, we have a few more to add with some of the members who have come on board since then.

Since we were founded in 1982, we have had about 70 different hard-working board members. As we celebrate our 40th birthday in 2022, we proudly give you a list of fantastic people who are on the 2022 Board of Directors. And we say one more time THANK YOU to each of the people who choose to spend their time keeping these doors open.

In 2016, Karen Kiss's response to the WHY ARE YOU ON OUR BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S question was simply this: "90% of all the food we receive is perishable. We work hard to move it in and out of this warehouse in one or two days, because we pack food boxes with donated food and also give it to other on-site food programs in our community." Karen had such a practical "it just makes sense" attitude about the work we do in our community.

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**2022 Board Members
along with their comments
they shared when asked
this question:
WHY ARE YOU ON OUR
BOARD OF DIRECTORS?**



HOLLIS HALL (NOV 1999 - PRESENT) "This food bank has an engaged board of directors, a committed staff, and passionate, competent leadership. I abhor wasted food when there is a need to SHARE what we have. The Fairbanks Community Food Bank has found a way to distribute what would be wasted food, and provide it to our local hungry people in need. I believe this food bank is an honest and steady non-profit that stays on our mission."

MIKE WALSH (JAN 2001 - PRESENT) Mike's commitment is based on his story about his family, who went through some tough times in his young life. His mother always insisted they frugally get what they need for their family, but she also always got an "extra" three cans of food to share with their local food bank. Giving was part of his family tradition, and still is.

URIAH NALIKAK (2016 - PRESENT) "The Fairbanks Community Food Bank is a leader in service throughout Alaska. It works to not only end hunger in the Tanana Valley, but throughout the State. This organization has the desire to fulfill its mission and the capacity as well."

BRAD JOHNSON (2010 - 2018) Doggone it, Brad is no longer on our Board of Directors, but we can't help repeating his very inspiring thought about Board service. Brad retired from work at the City of Fairbanks Police Department so he saw the needs in our community first hand. He said, "By working together as partners with churches and their volunteers we are able to provide food to fill the gaps until they can find other resources. My passion is to MAKE A DIFFERENCE! We make a difference in local people's lives 300,000 times a year."

PATTY WALTER (JUNE 2016 - PRESENT) "I feel very humbled to serve on this board where the organization's vision is to end hunger in the Tanana Valley. That is truly an amazing goal and mission. I constantly observe the staff and leadership in complete awe. During a time when many non-profits have been deeply affected due to strict COVID-19 mitigation requirements and a struggling economy, I have witnessed our community give even more to help our neighbors in need. The Fairbanks Community Food Bank worked tirelessly to overcome every obstacle and keep doors open to feed the hungry. I serve because I deeply believe in the mission and have great confidence in the leadership, the staff, and the good people in our community to work together to make this beautiful vision an ongoing reality. Who wouldn't want to be on that team?"

EUGENE THERRIALT (NOV 2016 - PRESENT) "The Board here embodies the principle of NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS. My wife and I also had the joy of bringing our children to do service projects here as they were growing up in Fairbanks."

GENEVIEVE BELL (MAY 2018 - PRESENT) "I am grateful for the opportunity and honored to serve the Fairbanks Community in pursuit of feeding the hungry in the Tanana Valley and helping to eradicate hunger."

TREVOR HANSON (JUNE 2018 - PRESENT) "It's a way to inexpensively help create a better community by helping our neighbors in need."

RON WALL (JAN 2019 - PRESENT) "I'm here because it is the right thing to do!"

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Your Donations at Work!

95% of all donations, including in-kind, go directly to feeding hungry people in Interior Alaska. Your financial gifts are partnered with a donated facility and 22,758 volunteer hours to support the collection of healthy, nourishing food, which is shared, free of charge, to those in need.

The annual CASH budget of the Fairbanks Community Food Bank is just over \$1.4 million. When you add the annual value of DONATED ITEMS (also known as IN-KIND) our annual operating budget is almost \$6.5 million. What types of items do we include in this added IN-KIND value?

- Donated Food
- Donated Facility
- Donated Labor
- Donated Equipment

That means our CASH needs are less than 25% of what we need to keep these doors open each year. We feel our obligation to you is to keep our need for CASH as low as possible and give each of you an opportunity to donate what you feel you can SHARE with those in this community who need your help. Of course, we must be able to pay our staff for organizing volunteers, writing grants, driving trucks, paying for insurance, and maintaining the operations of this large warehouse facility. Though CASH is less than 25% of what we need, it is the glue that makes this whole community project work.

EVERY DOLLAR you donate is important to us!

- To our “large” donors – **THANK YOU!**
- To our donors who can only afford \$5 and yet you still invest in us, **THANK YOU!**
- **Every \$1 counts here!**

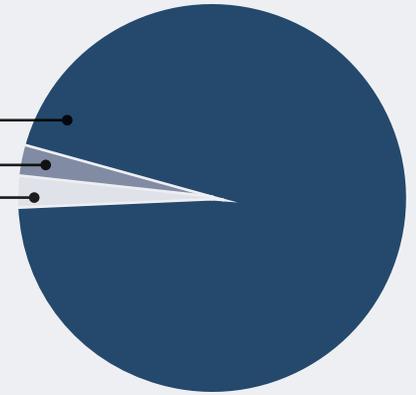
GOOD (Still) HAPPENS HERE (As we celebrate 40 years of an impossible community business plan)

We are at our highest efficiency when we are in our goal range. With these higher numbers, thanks to this community’s support, we have been able to go beyond our goals to meet the additional needs as they have arisen. It has never been easy, but this amazing community always steps up, allowing us to meet our local needs. Our community CARES, and NEIGHBORS truly do help NEIGHBORS through this Fairbanks Community Food Bank. THANK YOU.



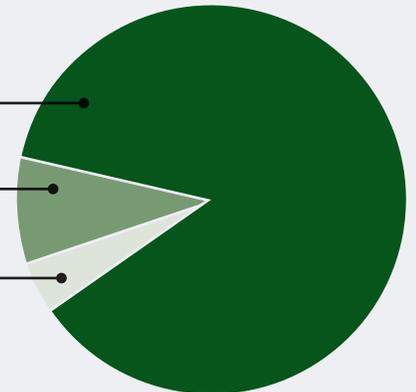
Actual FY2022 Expenses WITH IN-KIND

Program \$7,355,590
Administration \$182,187
Fundraising \$145,126



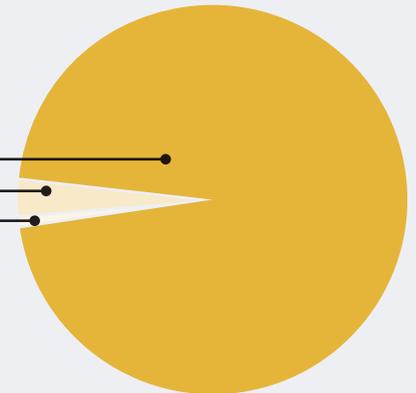
Actual FY2022 INCOME

Private/Corporate Donors \$1,546,458
Earned Income \$209,850
Government Grants \$90,824



Actual FY2022 CASH & IN-KIND

Community Cash & In-Kind \$5,782,585
Rental Income \$209,850
Government Grants \$90,824



GOOD HAPPENS	GOAL Annual	ACTUAL July 2019 – June 2020	ACTUAL July 2020 – June 2021	ACTUAL July 2021 – June 2022
Food Bank Meals Served	350,000	826,691	828,378	621,756
Food Distributed by the Food Bank to Other Local Agencies	450,000	825,227	1,208,316	904,649
Pounds of Food Received	1,500,000	3,481,264	4,025,186	3,326,123
Volunteer Hours	13,200	25,579	22,943	22,758

PLEASE NOTE: We have met and greatly exceeded our annual baseline goal each of these past three years. The Food Bank receives free food and gives it away for free so no person needs to go to bed hungry in Interior Alaska.



Our Mission Statement

The Mission of the Fairbanks Community Food Bank is to collect local surplus food in the community and share it with local people who need it.

Board Members 2022

President: Gene Therriault
Vice President: Genevieve Bell
Secretary: Patty Walter
Treasurer: Hollis Hall
Ray Bronson
Nancy Hanson
Trevor Hanson
Chad Hutchison
Bob Hajdukovich
Uriah Nalimak
Marisa Sharrah
Ron Wall
Mike Walsh

Staff Leadership Team

Anne Weaver, CEO
Samantha Kirstein, Community Development Director
Gail Ballou, Attorney

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The Difference Your Donation Makes

We will keep you fully informed about the difference your donation makes, and we ask you to consider 5% for the Fairbanks Community Food Bank as you prepare for the next generation in your estate planning.
Thank you.



MARISA SHARRAH (JAN 2020 - PRESENT) "Supporting the Fairbanks Community Food Bank with my volunteer time and philanthropic activities was an easy choice. When you support our Food Bank, you're also supporting dozens of other non-profits in our community. Beyond doing important work, you're also supporting people and families on a very basic, yet personal and intimate way. Fairbanks has always been and will always be my home. It's important to me that the basic needs of our community are being met and we all have an opportunity to fill and share our golden hearts."

BOB HAJDUKOVICH (JAN 2021 - PRESENT) "I choose to serve on this Board because of its core mission, enthusiasm, and energy of its leadership."

NANCY HANSON (AUG 2021 - PRESENT) "Being part of a community entails taking care of one another. I think of our Declaration of Independence that speaks to inalienable rights of life, liberty, and pursuit of happiness. It is difficult to be happy when food in a home is scarce. Jesus is a role model and He asks us to feed the hungry. My parents taught us not to waste food. I am so grateful the local grocery stores give their outdated food to the Food Bank where employees and a cadre of volunteers work to get the food to individuals and families with needs. The food which is in rough shape goes to pig and chicken farmers in our community."

CHAD HUTCHISON (SEPT 2021 - PRESENT) "It's important to give back to our community. Especially to those that are experiencing hardship. Serving others reminds us to maintain humility in our own lives".

BOARD HISTORY Since 1982

Charles Young '82 (founder) • Carol Miller '82 (founder) • Doug Toelle '82 (founder) • Dorothy Machida Prior to '90 • David Giessen Prior to '90 • Steve Thomas Prior to '90 • Eugene Hardy Prior to '90 • Debra Kissinger Prior to '90 • Thomas Fenton Prior to '90 • Sheri Stephens Prior to '90 • Brian Rogers Prior to '90, took 1 year off in '97 • George Byrdsong April '90 • Wayne Shea April '90 • Brenda Krupa Jul '90 • Kristin Lyle Jul '90 • Gene Kingrea Apr '91 • Richard Kraiger Aug '91 • Robin Sherry Aug '91 • Jerry LaParle Aug '91 • Ruth Lister Dec '91 • Paul Massey Jun '92 • Eloise Springman Oct '92 • Jim Matthews Oct '92 • Charles Easaw Jun '93 • Frankie Jones Aug '93 • Cathy Wingrove Aug '93 • Karen Kiss Aug '93 • Colleen Tingley Jan '94 • Apr Crosby Jul '94 • Chaplain Ralph Benson Aug '95 • Jane Williams Jan '96 • Ramon DeLeon Aug '96 • Uelyss Reed Jul '97 • Ester Redden Oct '97 • Sandy Cummings Sept '98 • Bunni Boykin — emeritas Aug '99 • Jake Poole Nov '99 • Hollis Hall Nov '99 • Bill Wright Nov '99, took off 4 years '09 - '13 • Bill Holden Oct '00 • Mike Walsh Jan '01 • Evelyn Brown Oct '01 • Ellen Ayotte Nov '01 • Rick Hinkey Nov '02 • Maria Muehlenkamp Sep '04 • Robert Holden Nov '05 • Mark Chamberlain Feb '06 • Phil Cochrane Apr '08 • Larry Baillon Oct '09 • Brad Johnson May '10 • Tom Bartels Sep '10 • Daniel Seckers Oct '10 • Sam Talley Aug '12 • Missy Hawkins Oct '13 • Ray Miller Nov '13 • Tammy Tragus-McCook Oct '14 • Steven Heckman Dec '15 • Uriah Nalimak Jun '16 • Patty Walter Sep '16 • Eugene Therriault Nov '16 • Anna Atchison Nov '16 • Genevieve Bell Jun '18 • Trevor Hanson Jun '18 • Ron Wall Jan '19 • Doug Schrage Feb '19 • Marisa Sharrah Jan '20 • Bob Hajdukovich Jan '21 • Ray Bronson May '21 • Nancy Hanson Aug '21 • Chad Hutchison Sept '21