



Upper Susitna Food Pantry Annual Report 2021



Upper Susitna
FOOD PANTRY

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To Our Stakeholders

From the Directors Desk...

This past year, I have seen families breathe a sigh of relief as they were handed a food box filled with pantry staples, fresh produce, meat, bread and dairy products to help get them through the month. I have seen the joy on a child's face as they peek into their weekend brown bag and excitedly pick out their favorite items and heard first-hand stories from seniors that constantly remind me how thin the margin can be when faced with paying the bills or buying groceries.

Every week, there are hundreds of lives that are being changed as a result of the work that Upper Susitna Food Pantry performs throughout our communities. Alleviating hunger and its root causes required all of us to work together – donors, volunteers, our collaborative partners, staff, board, community leaders, and countless others.

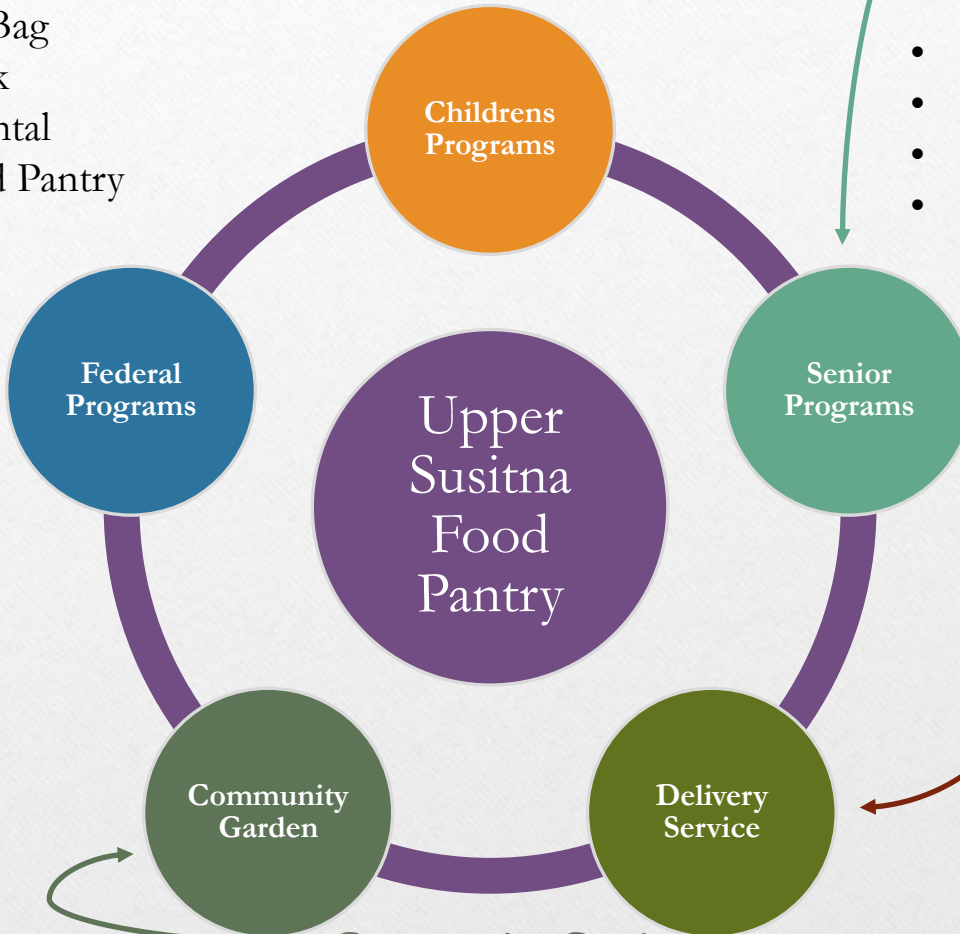
Thank you for caring about hungry people in our communities. Together, we are making a huge impact on people's lives.

Childrens Programs

- Weekend Brown Bag
- Summer Backpack
- Winter Supplemental
- High School Food Pantry

Seniors Programs

- Ripples
- Senior Veterans Group
- Community Lunch
- Health & Nutrition Boxes



Federal Programs

- TEFAP
- CSFP
- SFSP

Delivery

- Federal
- Childrens
- Seniors

Community Garden

- Stakeholder Boxes
- Grow a Row
- Kids Garden

People Served

Through the Talkeetna Pantry and home delivery, we distributed food to **2,542** households throughout our communities.

Some of these clients visited the food pantry once; others visited multiple times throughout the year.

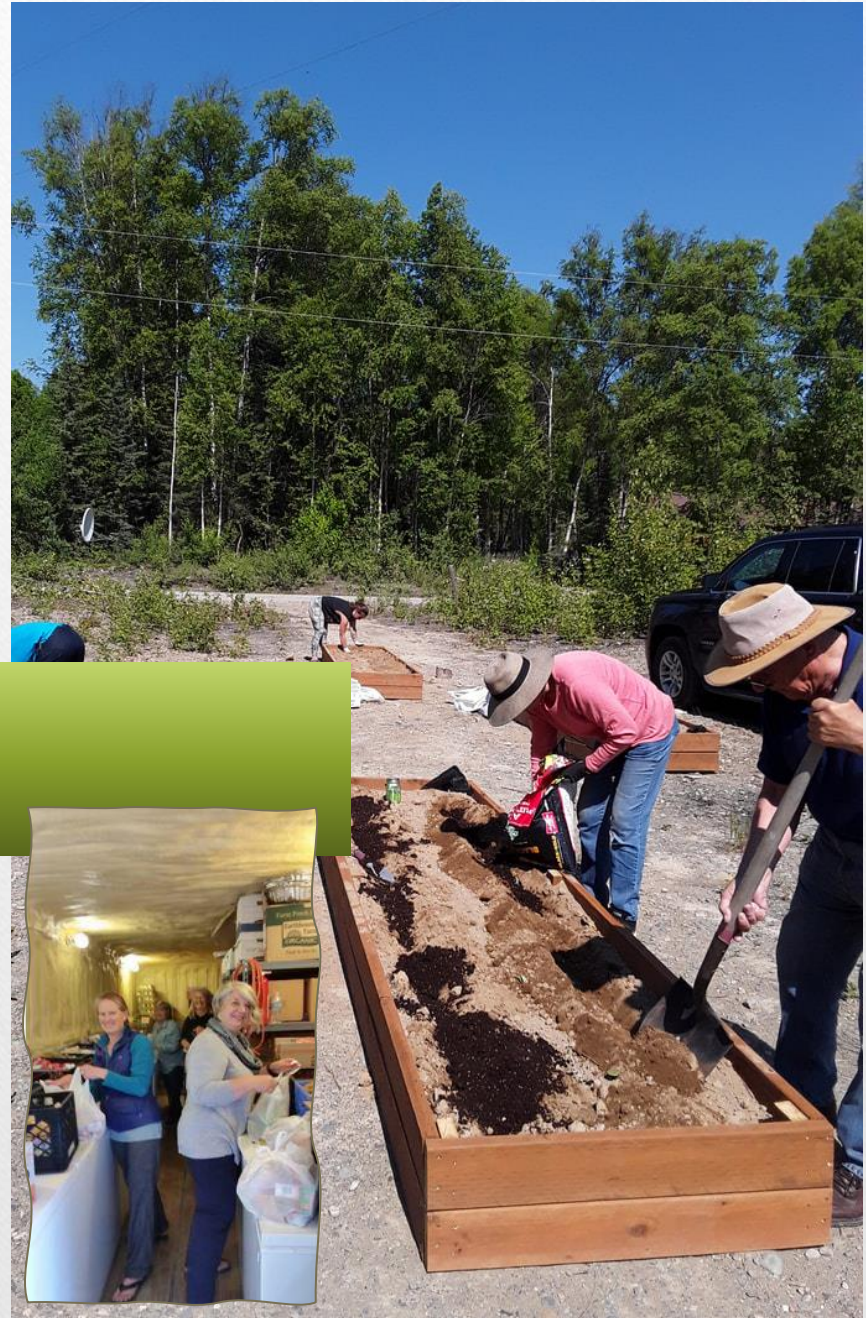


Volunteer Support

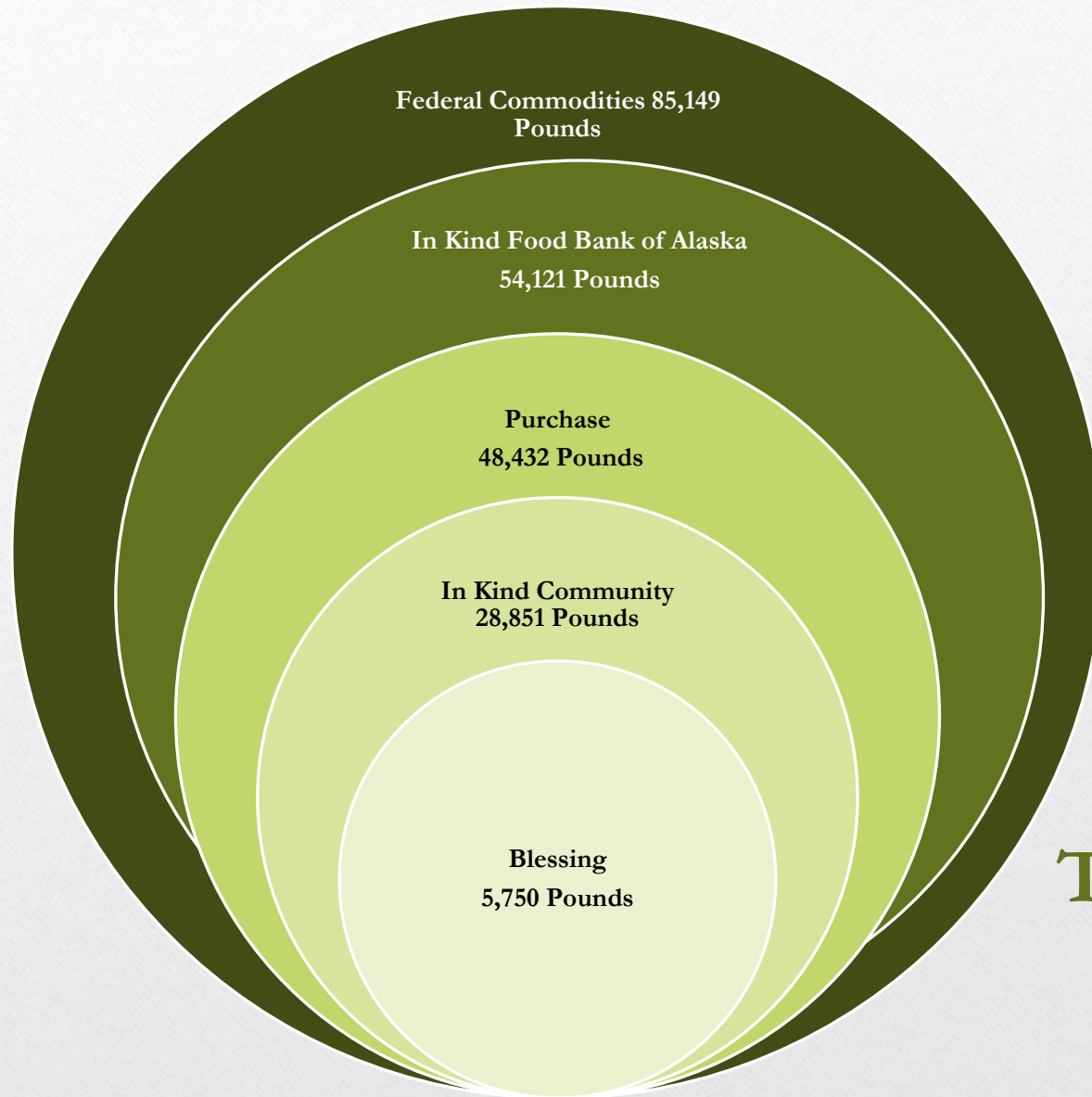
Whether it's driving a regular shopping run, sorting perishable food, or harvesting carrots from the community garden, volunteers are the backbone of the Upper Susitna Food Pantry.

Total Volunteer Hours: 4,340

Unduplicated Individual Volunteers: 92



Food Sources 2021



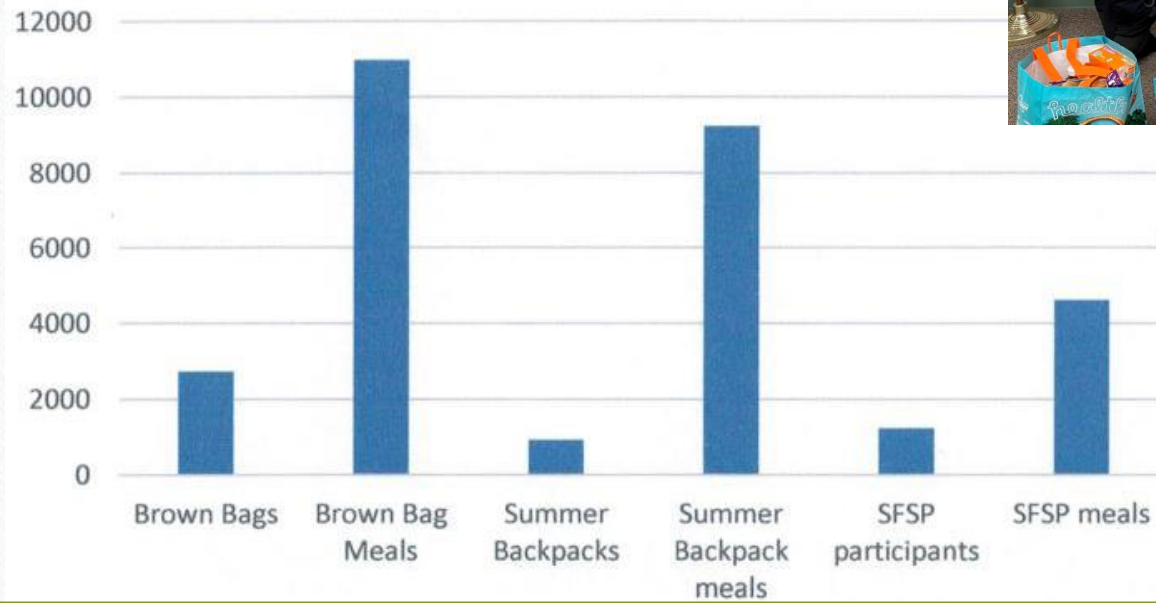
Total Pounds
222,340

Grant Activity

Written	Focus	Amount Received
Alaska Community Foundation	Social Justice	\$ 5,000.00
Jessica Stevens Community Foundation	Thanksgiving Blessing / Fuel Assistance	\$ 8,000.00
Food Bank of Alaska	Hunger Is...	\$ 11,000.00
Mat-Su Health Foundation	Summer Backpack, PPE Grants, Keho Grant, Equitable Svcs, Weekend BB, Healthy Aging	\$224,811.60
Evenor Armington	Christmas Blessing / Operations	\$ 16,500.00
United Way	Children's Winter Supplemental	\$ 5,000.00
Talkeetna Community Council	Operations Support	\$ 5,900.00
Trapper Creek Community Council	Transportation	\$ 200.00
Susitna Community Council	Food	\$ 7,168.00
Food Research in Action Group	Children's Programs	\$ 5,370.41
No Kid Hungry	General	\$ 850.00
Talkeetna Bachelor Society	Computers	\$ 2,200.00



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Childrens Programs

We appreciate the Foundations, Businesses,
Community Organizations, Corporations
and Individual Donors who fund our
organization and keep the doors
open. Thank you!

- Food Bank of Alaska
 - Alaska Community Foundation
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- Mat Valley Federal Credit Union
- Jessica Stevens Community Foundation
 - KTNA
- St. Barnards Catholic Church
- Brown Bear Espresso
- Talkeetna Community Council
- Mat-Su Health Foundation
 - United Way
 - Cubby's
- Mountain High Pizza Pie
 - No Kid Hungry
- Albertson's Foundation
 - Carrs
 - Safeway
- Chase Community Council
- Church on the Rock – North Campus
- Montana Creek Baptist Church
- Susitna Community Council
 - D&S Road Services
- McCullough Excavating

