



RESPONDING TO COVID-19

EASE HUNGER / KEEP RESTAURANTS AFLOAT

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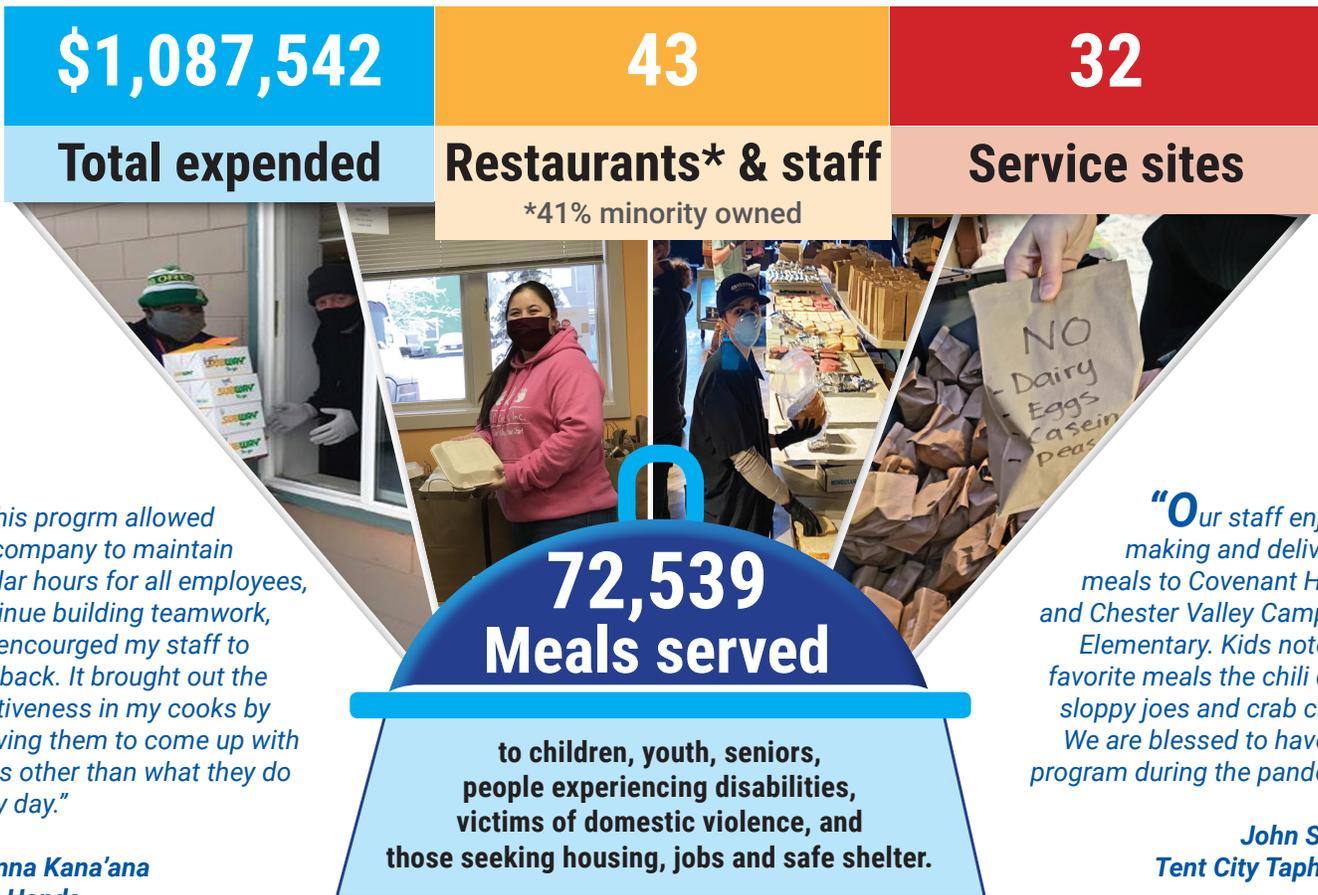
The coronavirus pandemic is delivering unprecedented economic challenges to thousands of Alaskans.

- Alaska’s leisure and hospitality industry has experienced the biggest labor hit, accounting for more than a third of the state’s job losses in 2020.
- It’s projected that 1 in 4 kids could face hunger this year.

■ A win-win-win partnership

The Alaska Hospitality Retailers Association, the Municipality of Anchorage, and United Way of Anchorage created an innovative partnership to bring desperately needed revenue to Anchorage restaurants, keep restaurant workers – cooks, dishwashers, and delivery staff – on the job, purchase food and supplies, and provide welcome meals to low-income families, children, youth and seniors who are underserved and food insecure.

■ Who’s being helped



“This program allowed our company to maintain regular hours for all employees, continue building teamwork, and encouraged my staff to give back. It brought out the creativeness in my cooks by allowing them to come up with foods other than what they do every day.”

Corinna Kana’ana
Hula Hands

“Our staff enjoyed making and delivering meals to Covenant House and Chester Valley Camp Fire Elementary. Kids noted as favorite meals the chili dogs, sloppy joes and crab cakes. We are blessed to have this program during the pandemic.”

John Snead
Tent City Taphouse

Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner • 7 Days a Week and Holidays

Funding provided by the Municipality of Anchorage and the Alaska Community Foundation in partnership with the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, together with dozens of individual donors from across our community.

■ The difference reported by meal recipients

"My life has been improving ever since that first meal was waiting for me at my door a few weeks ago. The food prepared is so beautiful. It looks as if someone carefully put it together like it was being entered into a contest. Since I have been receiving these meals, my food bill has dropped dramatically and I feel that I always have something to eat later on in the day. This is a game changer and I feel the least I could do is tell someone what a blessing this has become.

A resident of Chugach Manor Senior Housing

"Friday night I was able to meet Dave, the South manager and expressed our gratitude. Every boy shared that the Friday breakfast was "AMAZING", it was some sort of egg scramble that had lots of ingredients and the portion was said to have "almost filled the entire box." Thank you to the fantastic partners who continue to support these workers and our youth.

Angie Rush, AK Child and Family



■ The difference reported by participating restaurants

**Approximately 487
Employees**

hired, rehired, or maintained that may not have had jobs otherwise

**Approximately 213
Existing Employees**
received extra hours

"It feels so good to be busy at work! There are so many happy staff here at Peppercini's and ALL of us are very appreciative to be part of this program. It has made us very proud to be able to provide meals to the seniors living at Chugach Manor, and each time we receive a phone call or email thanking us, it truly warms our hearts. We take our work very seriously and try to make sure that we are providing each and every customer a great meal. We feel so good knowing that we are helping people get through this tough winter, and are very appreciative of the Muni, United Way, and AKHR for setting up this program that we see as a "Win Win".

Jason Kimmel, Peppercini's

Participating Restaurants to date:

49th State Brewery, AK Alchemist, Anchorage Ale House, Anchorage Cider House, Anchorage Made, Bear Tooth, Bridge Seafood, Burrito King, Café Amsterdam, Cassie's Place, Crush, Eagle River Ale House, Fancy Moose, Flattop, Gallo's, Harley's Old Thyme, Hula Hands, Humpy's, Jalapenos, Kindred Spirit, Lucky Wishbone, Matanuska Brewery, Middle Way Cafe, Mo's Deli, Mr. Darryl's Southern BBQ, Oriental Garden, Peppercini's, Saint Coyote, Sal's NY Grill, Snow City, South, Spenard Roadhouse, Sub Zero, Subway Anchorage, Subway Girdwood, Sullivan's, Taco King, Tatilani, Tent City Tap, Tequila 61, Top Bop, Wild Fork, Writers Block

Feeding children, youth, families, seniors at the following organizations:

AK Child and Family, Alaska Behavioral Health - Power program, Alex Hotel, Anchorage Senior Center, Aviator Hotel, AWAIC, Boys and Girls Clubs, Camp Fire Learning Pods, Chugach View Senior Housing, Clare House, Covenant House Alaska, Creekwood Hotel, Downtown Hope Center, Fairview Recreation Center, Gospel Rescue Mission, Karluk Manor, Kids' Corps, Hope Community Resources, RurAL CAP Safe Harbor, RurAL CAP Child Development, Sitka Place, Sockeye Hotel, 325 E. 3rd.