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Chair's Message from Jennifer Treadway

Chairman of the Board of Directors for United Way of Southeast Alaska



As we continue to face the ongoing waves of adversity, we must continue to address the needs of our neighbors most affected by the pandemic, such as individuals without access to sick days, service industry workers placed on unpaid leave, families experiencing homelessness or nearing eviction, or parents struggling to balance work and life as their children return from remote learning to in-person learning.

But we see hope on the horizon. As often happens in times of challenge, we have witnessed incredible acts of resiliency and strength from everyday heroes across the region. While our dedicated healthcare partners worked tirelessly on the frontlines to support patients and their families, other essential workers steadfastly served the children, adults, and families in our communities

And, at United Way of Southeast Alaska, we did what we do best – mobilized people and resources for the well-being of individuals, families, and communities across the region. With your support, United Way and our 34 partner agencies were able to address the short-term emergencies and longterm response and recovery efforts in our communities.

To date, these efforts by United Way of Southeast Alaska include:

- Partnering with 24 restaurants as well as local businesses and non-profits to distribute nearly 75,000 meals to individuals in Juneau and Haines;
- Raising more than \$50,000 for COVID-19 response ef-

forts and distributing these funds among seven agencies serving 14 communities across Southeast Alaska;

- Mobilizing volunteers to serve as Members of the Ameri-Corps Program and their 12 host sites, organizing volunteers to provide service to agencies in our annual Month of Caring efforts in a safe, socially distanced manner;
- Participating in recovery planning workgroups on a local and regional basis to anticipate needs and identify solutions; and,
- Working with community and regional leaders to innovate and increase service delivery.

But there is still work to be done. No one person or organization can address the challenges that our communities will continue to face in the coming months. It will take all of us working side-by-side and collectively combining our resources and talents. By investing in United Way of Southeast Alaska, you support a network of community partners and volunteers working together to address the immediate and long-term needs of individuals, families, and communities.

Working together in unity and solidarity, we will make this next year one of healing. UNITED WE WIN.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Treadway, Chair 2019-2020 Board United Way of Southeast Alaska



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EDUCATION	25,101.50
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	1,935.00
INCOME	767
UNITED WAY OF SOUTHEAST ALASKA	13,591.51
UNDESIGNATED	149,353.28
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, SE ALASKA	520
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United Way of Southeast AmeriCorps Program hosted 13 AmeriCorps members from 10 states.

Our primary focus is on improving academic performance in early literacy. Five elementary schools and one licensed child care center in Juneau committed to hosting AmeriCorps members to serve as an Early Literacy Program Support Assistant. Program Assistants and volunteer reading tutors will work individually with a minimum of 60 Pre-K through 3rdgrade struggling readers and connecting with families to help link the school to home learning pathways.

On September 11th, 2020 AmeriCorps service members assisted Tlingit and Haida Central Council in efforts to complete a project for the Tribal Emergency Operations Center. Service Members assisted in loading shipping containers with crucially needed COVID- 19 supplies for 22 various remote villages in Southeast Alaska. Members served for over 4 hours loading supplies and will be returning on September 18th, 2020 to continue with efforts of getting the supplies to those in need. Members are required to participate in service on various federal holidays as a condition of their AmeriCorps service contracts and many members have graciously decided that they would like to continue to assist and will be returning on September 18th to help complete the project while participating in United Way's Annual Month of Caring.

For the required MLK National Day of Service on January 18, the 13 United Way AmeriCorps members spent the day volunteering at one of Juneau's new housing project sites. The Tlingit & Haida Reentry and Recovery Department has been working on several transitional housing projects around the Juneau community to provide spaces for those moving from incarceration. Members were excited to have joined the Alaway Avenue project that is nearing completion and contributed to the final steps by building furniture for each personal room in the house.

"I really believe in the mission of giving people recently out of prison a chance to reintegrate," says Jeffrey Franklin, an AmeriCorps Member serving at Sayéik Gastineau Community School. "It's super important and a cause worth spending a day devoting to."

Our members enjoyed learning more about Tlingit and Haida and recognize the long-lasting impact of dedicating time to projects that they are spearheading throughout the communities in Southeast Alaska.

A majority of the 2020-2021 AmeriCorps cohort have now departed Juneau for their new life adventures. The 13 members served over 16,000 hours, providing much-needed support to non-profits agencies and elementary school teachers. As we all are aware, this group of amazing young adults continued without a break in providing countless hours during COVID-19.

If you would like to learn more about our program or provide a Juneau experience for our members, please contact Shari Paul at AmeriCorps@ unitedwayseak.org





Seven Months, 23 Restaurants, 75,000 Meals: United Way Juneau CARES Food Program

By United Way of Southeast Alaska

As everyone knows (perhaps, all too well), for more than year, now, the pandemic has presented challenges beyond a public health crisis. Covid not only exacerbated pre-existing issues—chief among them food security—but also created new ones, especially in Southeast Alaska, where the restaurant and hospitality industries rank among the largest economic contributors.

And yet, in crisis comes opportunity. Last fall, a consortium of citizens and local non- profit organizations instituted the Juneau CARES Meal Program, managed by the United Way of Southeast Alaska. This simple but multifaceted initiative's goal: to create business for local restaurants while simultaneously feeding the community.

Three times a day, seven days a week for seven months, by the program's conclusion on March 31, 23 Southeast Alaska restaurants prepared nearly 75,000 meals for people in need. Continuing past the original grant's expiration at the end of 2020 courtesy of funding through the Juneau Community Foundation and The Glory Hall, which also handled delivery, Juneau CARE kitchens provided food service for various homeless and cold weather shelters, other emergency housing locations, quarantine centers, seniors and natural disaster victims in Haines. Meals included sandwiches, wraps, salads, pastas, breakfast scrambles, grilled veggies, baked goods and more, courtesy of dozens of food service professionals.

"For us, it was very valuable—business at a time when we desperately needed it," says Travis Smith, owner of the Rookery Café. Like other participating restaurateurs, he credits the Juneau CARES program with keeping the business afloat and staff on the payroll.

"Plus, it felt good knowing that people were getting meals at a time when they desperately needed it," he says.

Juneau CARES was funded by a grant from The Alaska Community Foundation's Coronavirus Nonprofit Relief Fund (CNRF). The United Way coordinated disbursement, thanks to program manager Kirk Stagg. By the program's end, it had injected \$895,844 directly into the local economy.

"I don't think the numbers do justice to the program's true impact on the community," Stagg says. "Many are sad to see it end, but we'll always remember the power of working together and rising to the occasion."

Learn more about United Way and its partner agencies at www.unitedwayseak. org. For more information about the Workplace Giving Campaign, visit www. unitedwayseak.org/campaign. To donate online or pledge monthly payments through your credit, visit www.unitedwayseak.org/donate. To volunteer, visit **getconnected.unitedwayseak.org.**





UNITED WAY'S CARES meal program







Juneau CARES Meal Program Restaurants

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United Way of Southeast Alaska Distributes More Than \$52,000 in COVID-19 Relief Grants to Local Non-profits

United Way of Southeast Alaska has distributed \$52,375 in grants to seven agencies serving sixteen communities across Southeast Alaska from its COVID-19 Response Fund since it was launched in March 2020. The fund provided resources for local food pantries and food banks to continue to serve community members experiencing food insecurity because of the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Significant contributors to the fund included Sealaska Corporation, the Rasmuson Foundation, and Wells Fargo Bank Alaska. Many individual donors contributed to the efforts and, as a result, we can assist individuals across Southeast Alaska in a time of need.

Grants were presented to the Salvation Army, a United Way partner agency, for their food pantries in Angoon, Haines, Hoonah, Juneau, Kake, Ketchikan, Klawok, Petersburg, Sitka, and Wrangell. Grants were also provided to United Way partner agencies, Southeast Alaska Food Bank and Helping Hands Food Pantry, both in Juneau.

The food bank and the eleven area food pantries help address rising food insecurity in the region. Many food pantries have been busier than ever, serving increasing numbers of clients while also adapting to new safety protocols due to COVID-19. The grants will enable pantries to continue operations while providing clients with food and crucial products.

Grants were provided to Catholic Community Services, a United Way partner agency, to support their food efforts in Skagway, Craig, and Klawock. CCS provides Meals on Wheels service to seniors 60 years of age and older in all three communities.

Finally, grants were provided to Metlakatla Ministerial Association, Yakutat Tlingit Tribe, and the Gustavus Visitors Association who run food programs in their respective communities.

While distributing the grants, UWSEAK sought to support pantries serving various populations throughout Southeast Alaska, including multiple pantries that they had not previously funded.

"As residents across the region continue to struggle due to this unprecedented public health crisis and its lingering economic impact, UWSEAK remains committed to partnering with these and other critical organizations to support those in need," says UWSEAK Board Chair Jennifer Treadway.

UWSEAK launched the COVID-19 Response Fund in March 2020. So far, the fund has raised and distributed more than \$52,000. The fund will continue to make grants to local agencies as contributions allow.

The United Way of Southeast Alaska and its 34 partner agencies serve Southeast Alaska's communities from its offices in Juneau. For more information about United Way of Southeast Alaska and our 34 partner agencies, visit our website at www.unitedwayseak.org.

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