



Bean's Cafe, Inc. exists to fight hunger for all ages, one meal at a time, while providing a pathway to self-sufficiency with dignity and respect.

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2023 in Review and a Look Ahead to 2024

Program Updates:

- New Warehouse and Meal Production Facility
- In Person Volunteering is Back
- Motley Crew Bakery and Catering Social Enterprise
- Streets to Success
- Empty Bowl Project 2024
- New donation platform

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Food Distribution:

Thanks to you, since March 2020, **825,142 fresh meals and pantry packs** have been distributed through The Children's Lunchbox program, and **1,481,080 meals** have been served through the Bean's Cafe meal program.

Your unwavering support has provided **2,306,222 meals** to hungry and food insecure individuals in Anchorage since 2020. The need has not stopped, or decreased, so your assistance remains critical.

Same mission and focus, different look!

The years 2020 and 2021 were unlike any other. The pandemic, a 48-hour change in business model, the standing up, and standing down of the mass emergency shelter, the sale of our 3rd Avenue building, moving to a mobile food distribution model, and so much more. We moved into 2022 and now 2023 with a solid plan. It has not been without struggle and continual change, and a lesson in grace and adaptability, but we are better equipped and able to lend a helping hand to more individuals in need than ever before.



It is really a result of the generosity of our community that we are serving more individuals than ever. Building out a model that is client centered and delivers services on demand has been a key to the success of helping folks. With

your continued support this will keep happening. One person at a time. Thank you for your belief in our mission and for understanding that no one should go hungry or unsheltered in Anchorage.



On the next page we will provide a clear view of our business model, community impact, and our goals as we roll into 2024.

Keeping you in the know!

Partners, supporters, and friends, we want to introduce our new CEO, Scott Lingle. He brings a wealth of experience, vision, and leadership to our organization, and we are thrilled to have him at the helm. Scott has worked his way up the ranks at Bean's Cafe and brings with him to this position the designation of classically trained chef. This designation brings qualities of tradition, fundamentals, versatility, and leadership. We express our gratitude to our previous CEO, Lisa Sauder, for her 10-year dedication and passion to get us where we are today and are confident in Scott's ability to build on our strong foundation and lead us to even greater success.



Additionally, we are fully committed to improving our communication with you, our valued supporters. We recognize the importance of keeping you informed about our progress, recent activities, and future plans. Your support and trust are invaluable to

us, and we understand transparency, clarity, and accountability is critical in maintaining a strong and fruitful partnership. We deeply appreciate your dedication to our cause and thank you for being part of our journey. We look forward to a future filled with greater impact, and shared successes.

Current programs and highlights:

• **NEW FACILITY:** Our new warehouse and state of the art kitchen opened March 2023. Located at 1524 Ship Avenue and dedicated in memory of long-time Board Member Bernie Washington, our new facility offers the capacity to store up to 10,000 pantry packs at any given time, produce 5,000 meals a day and offers freezer, fridge, and meal preparation equipment like no other. This facility, along with our mobile food distribution fleet of vehicles allows us to meet ongoing and urgent needs in the community.

• **VOLUNTEER:** In person volunteering is back in our kitchen and warehouse. Volunteer hours are a great way to give back and become a part of our mission, while allowing us to move full steam ahead and keep personnel and associated costs low.

Visit the Give Help section of our website, or contact Kayla at ktulimasealii@beanscafe.org.

• BAKERY & CATERING PROGRAMS:

The Motley Crew Bakery is the first of our social enterprise programs and focuses on making a strong societal impact while maximizing profit to fund our programs. The Bakery started as a training ground for aspiring bakers and individuals looking for a second chance in life and potentially a first "real" job. With a focus on feeding individuals, Bean's Cafe takes things one step further and recognizes the bond that creating and sharing the art of food creates. It promotes mutual understanding, teamwork and brings about a sense of pride and accomplishment not otherwise felt. Find out more and place your online order at beanscafe.org.



Motley Crew Catering, our second social enterprise program provides a supportive environment for individuals to receive on-the-job training in conjunction with Bean's Cafe's Streets to Success program. Empowering individuals to undertake what is often their first "real" job, this successful program has developed into a pipeline, creating strong leaders who, in turn, mentor others. All catering proceeds directly house, feed, and clothe our catering students who are rebuilding their lives in our Bean's Cafe kitchen. Our program is free of charge and through their own efforts, our students become self-sufficient. We are funded fully by your own hard work. Find out more and place your online order at beanscafe.org

• **STREETS TO SUCCESS:** Since 2021 this program of Bean's Cafe strives to enhance the overall quality of life and self-sufficiency of people who have or are experiencing homelessness. We provide permanency navigation service, access to housing, and peer-support in a client-focused setting. This is accomplished through partnerships with both public and private organizations. We are dedicated to delivering services while treating everyone with dignity, respect, compassion, and accountability. Since 2021 we have served 287 individuals, housed 69 of those, with 46 still housed. This program is gearing up for an exciting revamp in December 2023. Community partnerships are critical to this program and include Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Nine Star, Partners for Progress, Department of Corrections, Henry House, Chris Kyle Recovery, and Salvation Army.

• **NEW DONATION PLATFORM:** Easily accessed from our website, this Harness Giving platform creates a more user-friendly, self-managed experience. One-time donations, monthly donations, and/or round-up subscriptions are available as options and specific campaigns are clearly displayed.



• **EMPTY BOWL PROJECT:** This event will be back in March 2024 and feature a new look and feel. Watch your email, social media, and our website for details.

Distribution Sites & Partners

The Children's Lunchbox:

- The Food Bank of Alaska
- ASD Education Center
- 10 ASD Elementary Schools
- Lighthouse Christian Fellowship Church
- Loussac Place Housing
- Spenard Rec Center
- Fairview Rec Center
- Penland Park Trailer Park
- CITC & CITC Schoolyard
- Ridgeline Terrace
- Hmoob Cultural Center
- Safe Harbor
- Power Youth Center

Bean's Cafe Meal Service Sites and Partners:

- The Food Bank of Alaska
- Covenant House Alaska
- Henry House
- Aviator
- Catholic Social Services: Clare House and Brother Francis Shelter
- Sockeye - Catholic Social Services Complex Care
- Karluk Manor
- Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness
- Camp Outreach
- Sleep Off center

Meet our Team:

Scott Lingle, CEO

Brian Fassnidge, COO

Diana Arthur, Director of Development & Communications

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