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## **American Seafoods' Community Advisory Board Calls for Nominations for its Alaska Community Grant Program**

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Applications due Nov. 16

SEATTLE (October XX, 2009) – The Community Advisory Board (CAB) of American Seafoods Company, one of the nation's largest seafood processors, today announced that it is accepting applications for its Alaska community grant program. The deadline to submit an application is November 16.

The CAB community grant program awards \$75,000 annually to community projects throughout rural Alaska. In December, the CAB will allocate \$30,000 to various Alaskan community projects that tackle issues such as hunger, housing, safety, education, research, natural resources and cultural activities.

In February 2009, the CAB program awarded nearly \$30,000 in grants to a variety of Alaskan community programs, including Balyhoo Lions Club- Operation Santa Claus (\$2,000), Bristol Bay Native Association Regional Food Bank (\$1,465), Food Bank of Alaska (\$2,330), St. George Traditional Council (\$2,000) and Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence (\$2,000).

In addition, the CAB awarded approximately \$14,000 in scholarships to Alaskan students in May 2009.

"Our organization has benefited from the American Seafoods' CAB grants several times. We have used the funds to purchase food for our shelter pantry, which provides food for the victims of domestic violence and sexual assault as well as boxed meals for community members experiencing food insecurity," said M. Lynn Crane, executive director of Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault & Family Violence. "We have also been able to use funds from American Seafoods for educational materials to support our effort to prevent future domestic and sexual violence through outreach and education. "

The CAB evaluates each proposal using the following criteria: the need in the community, project benefits, the number of people that will benefit from the program, which individuals the award is intended for, and the ability to garner additional funding.

The CAB has granted Alaskan communities more than \$800,000 toward its organizations and programs. CAB grant recipients will be chosen at the CAB's meeting on December 2.

"At American Seafoods we are dedicated to giving back to the communities we operate in and we are honored to contribute to the growth and enhancement of Alaska community organizations," said Inge Andreassen, president of American Seafoods Company. "The Community Advisory Board's grant

program is a perfect way to reward those organizations and their respective programs working to improve our communities.”

Applications for the grant program are available online at [www.americanseafoods.com](http://www.americanseafoods.com), or by contacting Kim Lynch at [kim.lynch@americanseafoods.com](mailto:kim.lynch@americanseafoods.com) or 206-256-2659. Completed applications should be returned to Lynch at American Seafoods using email, fax at 206-448-0202, or postal mail at 2025 1st Ave, Ste 900, Seattle, WA, 98121.

### **About American Seafoods Group and American Seafoods Company**

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