



Laos



Wild, Natural & Sustainable®
Alaska Global
Food Aid Program

Wild Alaska Canned Salmon

Alaska Canned Salmon was an integral part of the successful Landmine Removal and Food for Education programs of Humpty Dumpty Institute (HDI) and International Relief and Development (IRD) in Laos. Canned Salmon was part of a take-home ration given to thousands of children annually in primary schools. The World Food Program (WFP) followed suit and included Canned Salmon to improve the diets of 100,000 children in their Food for Education Program.

WFP has been working in the country since 1976, targeting households affected by natural disasters and other shocks.

The HDI/IRD and WFP programs have been effective in building school attendance in Laos, where historically only 50% of children complete primary school. Laos, where 39% of the population lives below the poverty line, is one of Southeast Asia's least developed countries.

Alaska Canned Salmon provides the high-quality protein and other nutrients the students need to grow healthy bodies and strong bones. For most children, Salmon is the only animal protein they consume

Alaska Canned Salmon is distributed through the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) McGovern-Dole International Food for Education and Child Nutrition Program (FFE).

HDI/IRD and WFP provide food as an incentive to keep children in school. The FFE program offers students and their teachers a nutritious mid-morning snack and distributes monthly take-home rations to students who attend at least 80% of school days.

Healthy Meals for the Family

Monthly Take Home Rations
Alaska Canned Salmon
Corn Soy Blend
Red Beans
Rice

Alaska Canned Salmon is Well Accepted in Laos

School children and their families find Alaska Canned Salmon tasty and easy to prepare. It fits well with local recipes, is easy to integrate with local ingredients in the family food basket.

Program participants find the flavor of the Salmon superior to sardines in tomato sauce and other available fish.



