







## 7. Other items to confirm

- Neither SeaShare, nor any of our partners, advocate for bycatch. We do recognize the value that these fish have, and our donors go to great lengths to retain them for hunger-relief.
- Participation is voluntary, allowing processors to donate bycatch only when they have the resources available to do it well.
- Each plant has different capabilities and limitations. At a minimum, all processors agree to Head and gut, freeze, and pack the fish. Quality remained high in 2021.
- A portion can be distributed in Alaska in H&G form, minimizing costs.
- The majority is trimmed, steamed and re-packed into family size portions. Downstream recovery averaged 87%.
- All pounds reported are finished, donated pounds.
- SeaShare does not record salmon by species (chum vs. chinook), or by number of fish.
- PSC fish account for less than 10% of the total volume donated by SeaShare since 1994.

## Summary

Reclaiming fish that would otherwise be thrown overboard remains an important program - one that highlights the respect that fishermen and seafood processors have for the resource. It's also an important source of protein for the food banks we serve.



we appreciate the support that NMFS and the NPFMC provide. Together, we've recovered and donated 25 million servings of high protein salmon and halibut since 1994.

Please let us know if SeaShare can provide any additional information, or if you have recommendations to improve the Prohibited Species Donation Program.

Respectfully,

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