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Salmon Poke with Cucumber, Pea Sprouts and Tobiko -

Salmon14 oz
Cucumber (seeded & diced)2 ½ oz
Onion, small dice1 oz
Pea Sprouts½ oz
Seaweed Salad1 1/4 oz
Ponzu3-4 oz
Sambal Olek (Chili Garlic Sauce)tt
Tobiko (optional)1 Tbl
Furikake2 Tsp
Salt & Peppertt



- Method:

 Prepare the salmon by cleaning, boning and dicing into ⅓ inch cubes.

 Prep the cucumbers and onions and add to the salmon with all other

 - In a mixing bowl combine them all gently until well mixed.
 Taste and adjust seasoning as desired. You can add more ponzu, furikake, or Chili Garlic to suit your taste.
 Allow to set for 10-15 minutes to marinate and serve at once.

(LET'S MAKE IT)









We had such a FUN day hosting some of Chick-Fil-A's Community Scholar Awardees! Chick-Fil-A has an inspiring Community Scholars Program through which they recognize remarkable individuals, award \$25,000 scholarships & engage them through year-long mentorship and leadership development! As one of Chick-Fil-A's 46 True Inspiration Awards grant recipients in 2023, we were honored to get to play to get to play

a part in one of Chick-Fil-A's Scholar Awardees three trips through out the year. The Scholars got to work with Disney in Anaheim, spend a morning with us learning about Bracken's Kitchen while getting their hands dirty making a difference, stop by Every Table in LA and Bay Center Foods in Santa Clarita!







MEET SOME OF THE NEW TEAM!

AND HELP US TO GIVE THEM A WARM WELCOME . .

Mike Doutt

We are thrilled to bring Mike Doutt on to the team as our Kitchen Manager. Bill, Kris and Michael have known Mike for years from their background in restaurant and hotel hospitality. Mike brings a fresh and exciting new set of eyes to oversee the day-to-day needs of the kitchen! Welcome to the team.



Mark Valdez

Welcome Mark Valdez to the Culinary team!
Mark will be helping to prepare the thousands
of meals that go out every day at no cost to
our agency partners who help to
distribute them. We are so grateful for this
addition and can't wait to see Mark grow in this
role

Diego Huerta

We are so excited to welcome Diego to the team! Diego is a great addition to our Facilities Team and he will help manage all incoming and outgoing food as well as maintain our warehouse inventories. Diego's story is inspiring - our paths have crossed once again! Diego and his family used to receive meals from our old food truck Betsy, from Oakview Family Resource Center in 2019. What a beautiful, full-circle moment!



AND... <u>LET'S CELEBRATE SOME</u> PROMOTIONS!



Wendy Mendoza
Wendy is our NEW Packaging Team
Supervisor! We are honored to officially
recognize all of her amazing work in
managing the team. Wendy is a huge asset
and joy on the team. Thank you Wendy!



Say hello to our NEW Executive Chefl In his new role, Kris will help to oversee the entire kitchen as well as the team at our Costa Mesa Airway Shelter. We are so grateful for Kris!





Did you know you that you can help support Bracken's Kitchen by hosting a food drive? Thank you to Berkshire Hathaway for hosting a food drive in your offices as a great way to get your employees involved in helping the community! These great donations will be put towards some TASTY meals for those in need.





Thank you Newport Meat Company!

Thank you Newport Meat Company and Todd Meyers for hosting our Class 4 students two days in a row! You are great hosts and provide an incredible experience and wealth of knowledge to these students on their culinary journey.







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What is your favorite food/dish?

1. 麻婆豆腐 (mapo tofu) and pizza
What is your favorite part about volunteering at Bracken's Kitchen?

I love meeting new people and hearing about their different life stories and experiences! The food the chefs make is always so delicious too :)
 What is your favorite restaurant/small shop?

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3. Shanghailander Palace in Hacienda Heights (my family's go-to for Chinese food)

What do you do for a living and why? (Current, future, or past career, up to you!)

4. I'm currently a third-year student at UCI double majoring in Sociology and Social

Policy & Public Service. I love learning about people and society and am interested in

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Why did you choose Food-insecurity as a College Corps focus?

5. I chose food insecurity since my family has faced similar problems growing up, and I wanted to help others be part of the solution.

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Do you follow us on Instagram?

Follow us to stay tuned on what's going on in the kitchen, keep up with fun updates & follow along as we feed our friends and families in this community!





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