

Community Block Grants

FY2025 Request: \$6,315,000
Reference No: AMD 38946

AP/AL: Appropriation**Category:** Development**Location:** Statewide**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1 - 40)**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2024 - 06/30/2029**Project Type:** Life / Health / Safety**Recipient:** NA**House District:** Statewide (HD 1 - 40)**Contact:** Hannah Lager**Contact Phone:** (907)465-5533**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Community Block Grants encompass multiple federally funded programs, enabling the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED) to provide grants to communities and non-profits that provide services and/or benefits for low to moderate income individuals.

Funding:	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	Total
1002 Fed Rcpts	\$6,250,000						\$6,250,000
1003 GF/Match	\$65,000						\$65,000
Total:	\$6,315,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$6,315,000

☐ State Match Required
 ☐ One-Time Project
 ☐ Phased - new
 ☐ Phased - underway
 ☒ Ongoing
 0% = Minimum State Match % Required
 ☒ Amendment
 ☐ Mental Health Bill

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Sec14 Ch1 SLA2023 P82 L25 HB39 \$6,315,000
 Sec11 Ch11 SLA2022 P86 L10 HB281 \$6,315,000
 Sec8 Ch1 SLA2021 P70 L10 HB69 \$6,060,000
 Sec5 Ch8 SLA2020 P64 L19 HB205 \$6,060,000
 Sec1 Ch1 SLA2019 P2 L10 SB2002 \$60,000
 Sec1 Ch3 SLA2019 P2 L26 SB19 \$6,000,000
 Sec1 Ch19 SLA2018 P2 L16 SB142 \$6,060,000
 Sec1 Ch1 SLA2017 P2 L31 SB23 \$6,060,000
 Sec1 Ch2 SLA2016 P2 L22 SB138 \$6,060,000
 Sec1 Ch38 SLA2015 P2 L16 SB26 \$6,060,000
 Sec1 Ch18 SLA2014 P3 L26 SB119 \$6,060,000
 Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P4 L5 SB18 \$6,060,000

Project Description/Justification:**Community Services Block Grants:**

This program provides funding to reduce and/or prevent poverty through community based educational activities which lead to a greater degree of self-sufficiency.

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As authorized by federal Public Law 97-35, the federal Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has designated 950 Community Action Agencies (CAAs) throughout the United States - all of whom may then receive federal funding that passes-through the appropriate State agency. Within Alaska, HHS has designated, the non-profit corporation Rural Alaska Community Action Program (RurAL CAP) as the CAA.

RurAL CAP's mission is to protect the heritage of, while also improving the quality of life for low-income rural Alaskans. This is accomplished through educational programs such as alcohol and drug abuse prevention programs, fetal alcohol syndrome prevention programs, and child development programs as, well as adult training, affordable housing programs, advocacy for low-income individuals, and instruction on how to advocate for themselves.

This program has been in existence since 1965. The HHS provides 100 percent of the funding. For FY2024, \$3 million in federal funding is anticipated.

Community Development Block Grants:

This program provides grants, not to exceed \$850,000 each, to municipalities for planning activities, infrastructure projects, and economic development that benefits low to moderate-income individuals.

This program has been in existence since 1983. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides funding, which ranges from \$3 to \$3.5 million annually with a State match of two percent. For FY2024, DCCED anticipates \$3.25 million in federal funding with a State match of \$65,000.

Summary of Anticipated Federal and GF Match Funding by Federal Agency:

Federal Agency	Federal	General Fund Match	Total
HHS	\$3,000,000		\$3,000,000
HUD	\$3,250,000	\$65,000	\$3,315,000
Total	\$6,250,000	\$65,000	\$6,315,000