

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska****Federal Tax ID: 92-0036082****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades**

# Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska - Mountain View Clubhouse and Community Center Renovation, Security Improvements

**State Funding Requested: \$778,000****House District: Anchorage Areawide (11-27)**

Future Funding May Be Requested

**Brief Project Description:**

Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska will facilitate the remodel of its largest urban Clubhouse, the Mountain View Clubhouse and Community Center. The facility will receive essential renovations including flooring, kitchen upgrades, heating and ventilation system and door replacements, and safety and security improvements such as Lexan window coverings and security cameras.

**Funding Plan:**

Total Project Cost:	\$1,181,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$403,000)
FY2014 State Funding Request:	(\$778,000)
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:**Municipality of Anchorage \$375,000 Operating**Boys & Girls of America OJP Pass through \$20,000**Faster Than A Falcon Community Race \$8,000***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Boys & Girls Clubs is a private non-profit corporation in its 46th year of service to Alaskan youth. Boys & Girls Clubs is affiliated with the national organization Boys & Girls Clubs of America and share their commitment to help youth of all backgrounds develop the qualities needed to become responsible citizens and leaders. Boys & Girls Clubs' mission is to empower and inspire the diverse youth of Alaska to realize their full potential by offering them hope, opportunity, and a safe environment in which to grow.

Forty-two Clubs serve over 12,000 young Alaskans each year, and Clubs welcome thousands of visiting families and youth at our community events and Clubhouse activities. Each day, Boys & Girls Clubs help our state's youth by:

- o Mentoring children during the peak juvenile crime hours of 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.;
- o Utilizing over 200 professionally-trained youth development staff and enriching our programs with 450 community-minded volunteers;
- o Providing a safe, supervised environment for young people during vulnerable hours; and
- o Addressing key issues such as violence prevention, healthy lifestyles and school and work readiness through

outcome-based curricula.

#### Maintenance

#### MOUNTAIN VIEW CLUBHOUSE AND COMMUNITY CENTER REMODEL REQUEST \$778,000

##### Clubhouse and Community Center Usage:

Clubhouse Membership 2012 YTD -- 947 youth ages 6 -- 18 (up from 2011 membership of 825)

Community Center Users 2012 YTD -- 13698 not including large community events

Free Transportation, free meals, free Clubhouse membership

##### Remodel

\$ 95,000 Downstairs Flooring Replacement and Remodel

\$ 95,000 Upstairs Flooring (as needed) and Remodel

\$ 150,000 Replace Exterior Doors (\$25,000 each) and Entry Way Remodel

\$ 5,000 Install Lexan "covers" for lower exterior windows to prevent vandalism

\$ 10,000 Replace Interior Door Hardware 20 \* \$500 each

\$ 250,000 Replace 5 rooftop HVAC units

\$ 15,000 Replace Obsolete and deteriorating phone system

\$ 15,000 Install security camera system

\$ 50,000 Maintenance Technician

\$ 12,000 Janitor Service

##### Furniture and Fixtures

\$ 10,000 Community Room Chairs 25 @ \$400 each

\$ 12,000 Community Room Conference-style table components (on wheels) that can be used together/apart 8@1,500

\$ 3,000 100 commercial grade folding chairs @ \$30 each

\$ 6,000 30 commercial grade folding tables @ \$100 each

\$ 10,000 Kitchen Cabinet and Storage Upgrades

\$ 40,000 Program Equipment: music room, games room, youth computer lab equipment

The Mountain View Community Center and Clubhouse is a heavily used resource for the community. The Clubhouse serves more than 900 youth members annually, with an average daily Club attendance that exceeds 120. Combine that with heavy community center use (we estimate that more than 60,000 pass through the Mountain View building annually) and you most certainly can understand the needs included in this ask.

Stairwell and downstairs flooring will be replaced. The area will be repaired and repainted and the conference room table and chairs in the downstairs community meeting area will be replaced.

Upstairs - exterior doors will be replaced and entry ways will be cleaned, repaired, and painted. Low exterior windows will be covered with a Lexan panel to prevent continual vandalism breakage. All interior door failing hardware will be replaced. A new phone system and security camera system will be installed.

The Municipality of Anchorage is replacing several of the aging HVAC rooftop this year and this request includes funds to replace the remaining seven units. The units are failing and are being patched together.

The kitchen area will be upgraded with repaired and replaced cabinets. Storage areas will be equipped with industrial grade storage shelving. Commercial grade folding tables and chairs will be purchased for Center use.

Finally, worn out and damaged furniture and program equipment, including games room equipment, music studio equipment, music room equipment, art room equipment, and technology for the youth computer lab will be replaced.

BGC Maintenance Crew will manage all demolition and material disposal, painting, and repairs. They will also replace all interior door hardware. Contracted installation is noted above.

(Phase II of this project will be to secure funding for flooring in the upper level).

### Project Timeline:

Renovation planning, design and procurement 2013-2014, renovation 2013-2015.

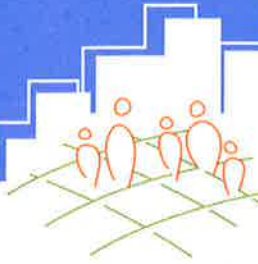
### Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska

### Grant Recipient Contact Information:

Name: Alana Humphrey  
 Title: Chief Professional Officer  
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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority?  Yes  No



January 30, 2013

ANCHORAGE  
COMMUNITY  
land Trust

**Re: MOUNTAIN VIEW CLUBHOUSE AND COMMUNITY CENTER REMODEL**

Dear To Whom It May Concern:

The Anchorage Community Land Trust (ACLT) supports the work of the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club and Community Center (the Clubhouse), a vital learning and recreation institution and strong community partner in the revitalization of Mountain View. ACLT is a non-profit agency continuing to catalyze the revitalization underway in Mountain View.

The Clubhouse has a special place in Mountain View. It is an especially important resource for the three Title I schools located within one mile. ACLT and the Mountain View Community Council have worked closely with the Clubhouse as they plan out their next phases of development and improvements for their existing location in the heart of Mountain View. Many important upgrades will be made including: stairwell and downstairs flooring, the downstairs community meeting room, exterior doors and entry ways, exterior windows, new phone system and security camera system, replacing several of the aging HVAC rooftop units, the kitchen area, new furniture and program equipment, the game room and music studio and technology for the youth computer lab.

The Clubhouse engages adults and children from Mountain View and wider Anchorage in educational opportunities that display Mountain View's unique international and character. The Clubhouse is a cherished community resource and it gives the Mountain View students and broader community important opportunities to benefit from and enrich school curriculum. The Mountain View Community Center and Clubhouse is a heavily used resource for the community. The Clubhouse serves annually more than 1000 youth members, with an average daily Club attendance that exceeds 150. The Clubhouses estimates that more than 60,000 people pass through the Mountain View building annually.

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Kirk Rose

Anchorage Community Land Trust, Community Development Manager

# Clark Middle School

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Anchorage, Alaska 99508  
(907) 742-4700  
(907) 742-4756 fax



January 28, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:


It is with great pleasure that I write this letter of recommendation and support for the Mt. View Boys and Girls Club request for state capital funds to renew and remodel their facility. Clark Middle School is an active partner and supporter of joining together to support the many students, families and events that take place at the center. The center is a safe haven for so many students in the area as well as families who travel across town to use the facility.

Since the conception of the Mt. View Boys and Girls club it has been used to the fullest capacity. It serves as a resource for meals, activities, sporting events, competitions, a clubhouse and most of all a nurturing place that many students call a second home.

Staff members at the Mt. View Boys and Girls Club are committed, loyal and faithful to the community in which they serve. They are well known through out the community and are active advocates for maintaining the facility to the best of their ability. After many long years of use, the building is in desperate need of repairs and upgrades to the facility to ensure that club continues to provide a safe and nurturing environment for students and families.

Clark Middle School fully supports the request to have the Mt. View Boys and Girls Club's facility remodeled.

Sincerely,

  
Cessilye Williams  
Clark Middle School, Principal  
[Williams\\_cessilye@asdk12.org](mailto:Williams_cessilye@asdk12.org)  
(907) 742-4730

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Mountain View Community Center  
Boys & Girls Club  
Attn: David Barney  
315 N. Price Street  
Anchorage, AK 99508

Dear David,

My name is Tommy Dinkins and I have been a resident of Anchorage for many years. As a youth I lived in Mt. View and attended Mountain View Elementary and Clark Middle School. I also spent a lot of my free time at Mountain View recreation center.

As the years have passed, I have seen the community grow tremendously and there was a need for a larger recreational facility to meet the increased demands of the youth. When the Boys & Girls Club was built, it brought the community together. The center is providing a place for the kids to learn, play, and interact with other youth. As you know Alaska is very cold and unpleasant outside during the winter months. The Boys & Girls Club is providing a safe and healthy environment for the kids as well.

Many adults including myself have benefited from the Boys & Girls Club as well. I have played in several basketball leagues over the years and I now officiate games at the community center. I also volunteer for the Boys & Girls club. My daughter, son, nephews, and cousins have all participated in the many activities the Mt. View Boys & Girls Club provides.

Sincerely,



Tommy Dinkins  
907-227-5428





**ANCHORAGE  
SCHOOL DISTRICT  
COMMUNITY BASED VOCATIONAL SERVICES**

Trust Authority Building  
2650 East Northern Lights Blvd  
Anchorage, AK 99508  
742-3950  
FAX 742-3988

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January 30, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is in regards to Mountain View Boys and Girls Club and their good work in the community. I am a Vocational Coordinator for the Anchorage School District's Adult Community Transition Program (ACT). ACT is a program within the school district that serves young adult with disabilities helping them make a smooth transition from school to post school life. As part of our students' program, I arrange vocational training sties at various community businesses. This year we began a partnership with the Boys and Girls Clubs in Anchorage. Throughout the year, the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club has shown great flexibility and support working with our students and staff.

Their collaboration with our program not only supports our students but also creates a culture of acceptance that brings businesses, youth, and local residents who see our students at their job site into the support network for our students.

I hope to continue our connection with the Boys and Girls Club in upcoming school years. Their partnership has been valuable to our program, its mission, and our students.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
Katharine E. Green  
ASD Vocational coordinator



## *Mountain View Elementary*

*4005 McPhee Avenue*

*Anchorage, Alaska 99508*

*Phone: (907) 742-3900*

*Fax: (907) 742-3911*

*Principal: Christopher Woodward*

At Mountain View Elementary we are dedicated to promoting a safe, productive learning environment in which all students can thrive academically and socially.

January 29, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of the staff and students of Mountain View Elementary in order to express our support and appreciation for the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club.

The Mountain View Boys and Girls Club serves our students and community as a whole by providing a safe place for our students to gather for play, or to study, or socialize before and after school hours. They have a caring, vigilant staff that takes a real interest in caring for the children of our community. This service is invaluable to many of our families as both parents are working and they would otherwise be forced to leave their children at home alone.

The staff and students of Mountain View Elementary encourage you to approve the financial requests of the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club in order that they may repair and upgrade their facility to provide an even higher level of support for the children of our community.

Sincerely,

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Christopher Woodward, Principal





Alaska Center for the Environment  
**Trailside Discovery**



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January 28, 2013

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of the Trailside Discovery Camp I am writing to express support for the Mountain View Community Center, and Clubhouse in their request for state capital funds to remodel their facility. The last two summers Trailside Discovery worked with children involved with the Boys & Girls Club program at the Clubhouse to provide outdoor education programs, and watercraft programs. We realize the importance of a well maintained facility, and fully support the upgrades that are requested in the remodel.

The Mountain View Clubhouse and Community Center are an important partner, and a positive member of the community. They are willing to assist youth in becoming successful members of society, and they are good steward of the education movement to get kids outdoors and connected with nature. For these reasons, Trailside Discovery is a strong supporter of the capital request for a facility remodel.

Sincerely,

Thomas Burek  
Trailside Discovery, Director



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## A S S O C I A T I O N

January 31, 2013

Capital Budget Subcommittee  
c/o Dave Barney, Mountain View Boys & Girls Club

DELIVERED ELECTRONICALLY

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing to encourage your full funding of the Mountain View Clubhouse and Community Center remodel in the Capital budget.

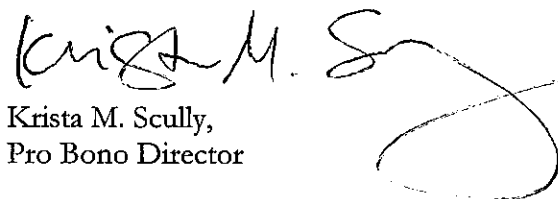
January 21, 2013 was the fourth large scale event that I have used the Clubhouse and Community Center as the venue. The event we utilize the space for is a free community- wide legal clinic on MLK Day. We have contributed use of the space to more than 1,200 community members—both clients and volunteers--since 2010.

Over the last four years, I have watched the staff and regular clients make do with less each year. This year was the clincher: lack of heat. The staff is incredibly resourceful and committed to making the space as safe, clean, and accommodating as possible but there's not much that can be done when there's no heat. I understand that their budget request includes funding to replace aging and/or dead heating units. I hope you'll see this as a priority.

In addition to much needed warmth, I think you should know what incredible stewards of the funding you would find in the staff at the Clubhouse/Community Center. I have yet to visit the site and not find a staff member there on either their day off, before and/or after their work shift might end doing things that benefit the community: shoveling side walks for safe entry and exit, cleaning the bathrooms, mopping the floors, moving chairs/tables via a route that is much more physically taxing but preserves what little of the wood floors there still are.

Look no further than the Mountain View Clubhouse and Community Center for a site and staff that will stretch Capital Budget funding to its last cent and highest value. I can guarantee that they will make you proud of what they'll be able to accomplish with full funding.

With sincere thanks and encouragement,

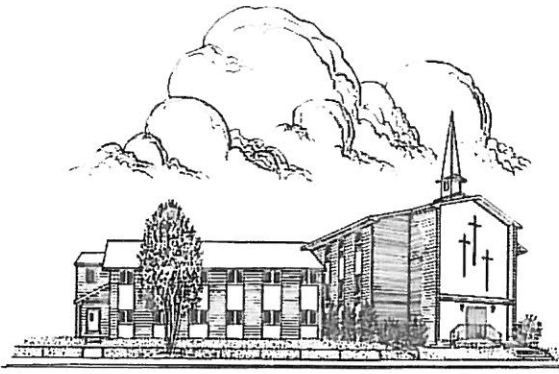


Krista M. Scully,  
Pro Bono Director

# Grandview Baptist Church

1300 Columbine Street  
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Telephone: 907-276-6027



## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

We would like to express our utmost support and confidence in the work of the Boys and Girls Club Mountain View Community Center and Clubhouse to serve our community. Over the last five years we have worked alongside the clubhouse helping children complete their homework and recently partnering in job preparedness and readiness classes for the teenagers of the club. Through these experiences we have seen the positive impact the club makes in the lives of children and teenagers. We witness not only the volunteers but also the club staff as they become mentors and role models teaching the children and youth values such as respect, honesty and hard work.

The diversity of programs provides opportunities for any club member. Programs such as basketball and flag football connect with some members while music and arts programs connect with others.

All aspects of the clubhouse come together to provide support for a child at a critical time in their lives. What shapes us and makes us who we are is a combination of the relationship we have with ourselves, others, the world and God. Helping form a positive self image, teaching respect for others, and encouraging children and youth to reach their full potential are all reflected in the clubhouse through its programming, staff and volunteers. We look forward to many more years of partnering with the Boys and Girls Club Mountain View Community Center and Clubhouse and fully support their effort to renovate and improve their facilities.

In Christ,

Michael Blakeney

Youth and Community Outreach Minister

Grandview Baptist Church

January 30, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is to express Food Bank of Alaska's support for the Mountainview Boys and Girls Club capital request for essential equipment upgrades. Food Bank of Alaska, along with some of our faith based partners, works with the Mountainview Boys and Girls Club to run the Thanksgiving Blessing holiday meal distribution. This year, the Mountainview location served over 1,767 families for Thanksgiving Blessing. In addition, one of our partner organizations, Children's Meal Mission (CMM), uses the Mountainview Boys and Girls Club to serve children hot, home style after school and summer meals out of their kitchen, and has done so for years. In the last two years CMM served well over 30,068 meals to hungry kids at this site during the Summer Food Service Program. Food Bank of Alaska has served 14,688 meals in the last two years at this site through the Summer Food Service and the Child and Adult Care Food programs. That's a two year total of 44,756 meals for hungry kids! The kitchen, shelving and other essential equipment upgrades that this request would purchase would certainly help these anti hunger programs serve more children and be more successful. Therefore, Food Bank of Alaska lends its support to the capital request for the Mountainview Boys and Girls Club. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Mary Sullivan  
Director of Advocacy & Agency Relations  
Food Bank of Alaska  
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January 31, 2013

David Barney  
Program Manager  
Mountain View Community Center  
315 N. Price Street  
Anchorage, AK 99508

Dear Mr. Barney

On behalf of The Mountain View Community Center and Clubhouse, it's my pleasure to write a letter of support for the grant proposal, of Facility Upgrades.

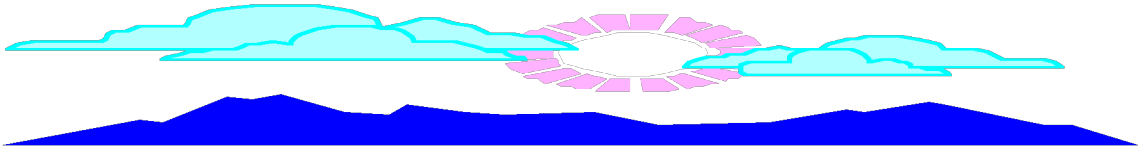
We strongly support the Grant Proposal for Facility Upgrades, as we have successfully worked with the Mountain View Community Center this past year through our community needs assessment program. We certainly have seen the need for improvement of the Center that could be supported from facility upgrades.

In conclusion, we fully support the efforts of this grant proposal as you seek funding for your Facility Upgrades. Any programs that can help children make better decisions and ensure the youth's future will be successful when entering their Mountain View Community Center will always have our full support.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Nina Cannady'.

*Nina Cannady*  
*Branch Administrator*  
Cummins Northwest LLC



**WILLIAM TYSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**  
**2801 Richmond Ave**  
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(907) 742-8008 Fax

Jan. 29, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

I am offering my support of the Boys and Girls Club program in Mt. View It has been a positive program for students. The organization and operation of the program has been very beneficial to all of our families that use their service. The housing structure is over 14 years old and desperately in need of repair. Please support the request for funding and do what is right for our children and parents living in our community.

I am pleased our school participates with the Boys and Girls Program and look forward to continuing our association.

Sincerely,

John Kito, Principal



To Whom It May Concern:

I work consistently as a teacher (Tyson Elementary)/coach (East High School Basketball) with students that use the Mountain View Boys and Girls club on a daily basis. The club is a positive place for my students to go to receive basic needs i.e. warmth, food, exercise and caring. The staff of the club goes above and beyond the call of humanity. They are there on weekends, after hours to make sure that the students know that they care for them as individuals. Staff of the Boys and Girls club even coach extra-curricular activities to find a way to challenge our youth to empower themselves in the classroom and to improve on the field/court as well. Using the activity to spur academic and socio-emotional growth is another important aspect that the club/staff offer our youth. I am thankful to have the Boys and Girls club and for the people at the Boys and Girls club if you have any questions or concerns pertaining to this letter or wanting to communicate about the Mountain View Boys and Girls club please contact me at 907.250.1631 or [Muehlenkamp\\_joshua@asdk12.org](mailto:Muehlenkamp_joshua@asdk12.org).

Thank you,

Josh Muehlenkamp  
Educator, William Tyson & Williwaw Elementary  
Basketball Coach, East High School

David Barney <dbarney@bgcalaska.org>  
To: Humphrey Alana <ahumphrey@bgcalaska.org>  
Fwd: Mountain View Community Center Capital Support

February 1, 2013 10:21 AM

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

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**Date:** February 1, 2013, 7:34:42 AM AKST  
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**From:** Kaleem Nuriddin [<mailto:kaleemn@ninestar.com>]  
**Sent:** Friday, February 01, 2013 7:33 AM  
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**Subject:** Mountain View Community Center Capital Support

David Barney  
Manager  
Boys & Girls Club  
Mountain View Community Center  
315 N. Price Street  
Anchorage, AK 99508

David:

We enthusiastically support your request for funding of capital improvements here at the Mountain View Community Center. As a Mountain View Community partner we attest to the vital role the Boys & Girls Club (BGC) performs in sustaining this budding neighborhood and particularly the health and safety of our children.

In addition to the crucial presence of BGC, as a building partner, Nine Star provides very important education and employment services through more than 12,000 visits annually; primarily Mountain View residents. Nine Star's education program promotes community literacy by offering GED preparation and testing, our employment program focus on assisting the unemployed and underemployed with pre-employment career exploration along with job search supports in a heavily utilized computer lab.

Facility upgrades are highly needed to continue the indispensable activities facilitated by this building and its essential functions in promoting social pride and esteem.

We look forward to continuous collaborations with you in assuring "Great Futures Start Here"

Sincerely,

Kaleem

*Kaleem Nuriddin - Lead Work Services Specialist*

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January 29, 2013

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Kassi Grunder, and until very recently I lived and worked in Mountain View. I am temporarily living in California, but have spent most of my life living in Anchorage. It wasn't until I was well into adulthood that I even ventured into Mountain View. I had heard all manner of unfavorable things about it, and likely never would have gone if I hadn't needed to on occasion for work. I cannot tell you the surprise I felt to fall in love with it. I have never lived in a place in which people were so friendly, or where I felt so at home. The community welcomed me with open arms, and I ended up serving on the executive board of the Community Council (which meets at the Mountain View Community Center, the facility that houses the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club), and occasionally volunteering at the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club. The facilities of the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club is why I write to you now.

I was fortunate to forge many personal and lasting relationships with youth in Mountain View, including several originating at the Boys and Girls Club. From spending time with these children, as well as from volunteering at the Club, I can tell you that the services provided by the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club are absolutely vital to the well-being of the children of this neighborhood. Not only does it provide a social outlet and opportunities for personal development, it provides a safe space for kids who might not otherwise have one, provides food for children in need, and allows children to interact with adults who are both positive role-models and confidants. The building in which all of this happens is aging, and despite diligent upkeep, is in urgent need of remodeling so that it can continue to provide these important services to the Mountain View community. The remodeling proposed is necessary to protect the continued integrity of the building, which is a valuable asset to the Mountain View community, and to the city. In light of all of this, I ask you to support the inclusion of funds for the remodeling project in the upcoming capital budget.

Respectfully,

Kassi Grunder  
P.O. Box 242523  
Anchorage, AK  
99524  
kgrunder@gmail.com



January 25, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

The Mountain View Boys & Girls club has been a cornerstone for youth in Mountain View. They offer opportunities to families including a safe place to enjoy themselves, learning opportunities and many beneficial programs for parents. The B&G club is integral to the community and to community families.

The Mountain View Community Center, which houses the Boys & Girls Club, is a well used facility. The facility has no staff janitor, relying on staff of participating businesses to clean the facility. Sixty Thousand people flow through that building yearly and it has some wear and tear. As a business community member, we support upgrades to the Mountain View Community Center and to any upgrades to B&G equipment and repairs that are needed. The community shudders to think of what would happen if we lost the Mountain View Community Building because of aging building issues such as roof repair. Security is of paramount importance to the Museum, to the community, and to the B&G club and we support any measures taken to improve safety, security and the experience of B&G patrons by replacing aged, worn out, broken equipment.

Please help Mountain View upgrading the Mountain View Community Building and B&G repairs and upgrades.  
Thank You,

Katch Bacheller, Staff and Board of the Alaska Museum of Science & Nature

EIN 92-0138658



# Government Hill Elementary School

*Home of the Nanuqs*

*Brian Singleton, Principal*

*525 E. Bluff Drive, Anchorage, AK 99501-1198*

*Telephone: (907) 742-5000      FAX: (907) 742-5015*

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January 31, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

We have had a working relationship with Mountain View Boys and Girls Club for several years. We have a Spanish Immersion Program at Government Hill where parents are responsible for providing transportation for their students. It would be impossible for several of our students to attend our school without the help of the Boys and Girls Club. They provide a before and after school program that allows parents to drop their children off at the BGC site before going to work, and pick them up afterwards. Mountain View Boys and Girls Club then provides transportation to and from our school at the appropriate times. This is a critical service to our school, our parents and our community. We are very appreciative knowing our children are well cared for in a safe and supportive environment.

Sincerely,

Brian Singleton  
Principal



# *Nine Star Enterprises*

*Education and Employment Services*  
*"We Develop Alaska's Workforce!"*



January 31, 2013

To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Request for funds to provide critical facilities upgrade at the Mountain View Boys and Girls Club

The Mountain View Community Center and Clubhouse is a heavily used resource for the community. The Clubhouse serves (annually) more than 1000 youth members, with an average daily Club attendance that exceeds 150. To combine that with heavy community center use ( more than 60,000 pass through the Mountain View building annually) including the satellite Department of Labor and Workforce Development Job Center operated at no cost to the state by Nine Star Education and Employment Center and providing job search assistance and high school diploma preparation to 2,000 Anchorage residents each year makes the case for center maintenance and upgrades a critical civic need.

The stairwell and downstairs flooring will be replaced. The area will be repaired and repainted and the conference room table and chairs in the downstairs community meeting area will be replaced. As a former officer of the Mountain View Community Council I can attest to the pressing need for these improvements. Residents and visitors attending council meetings are compelled to put up with a facility deficient in cleanliness, safety, and good order.

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Community Center Users 2012 YTD – 13698 not including large community events

Free Transportation, free meals, free Clubhouse membership

Please feel welcome to contact me directly about programs that directly and immediately affect Mountain View citizens.

Sincerely,

David S. Alexander, PhD  
President/CEO  
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January 30, 2013

David Barney  
Manager  
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Mountain View Community Center

315 N. Price Street  
Anchorage, AK 99508

Dear Mr. Barney:

I am writing in support of your capital request for remodeling the Mountain View Community Center. I attend monthly meetings in the Center as it serves as the heart of Mountain View. There are countless activities there every day for young and old and the facility is in desperate need of upgrades. It is 14 years old and the carpet, flooring and furniture are completely worn out. It sends a message to the children who use the facility every day that they are valued if the legislature funds the necessary upgrades. The Mountain View Community Center and Clubhouse is a heavily used resource for the community. The Clubhouse serves (annually) more than 1000 youth members, with an average daily Club attendance that exceeds 150. Combine that with heavy community center use and it is estimated that more than 60,000 pass through the Mountain View building annually.

Stairwell and downstairs flooring will be replaced. The area will be repaired and repainted and the conference room table and chairs in the downstairs community meeting area will be replaced. Upstairs - exterior doors will be replaced and entry ways will be cleaned, repaired, and painted. A new phone system and security camera system will be installed.

The Municipality of Anchorage is replacing several of the aging HVAC rooftop this year and this request includes funds to replace the remaining seven units. The units are failing and are being patched together. The kitchen area will be upgraded with repaired and replaced cabinets. Storage areas will be equipped with industrial grade storage shelving. Commercial grade folding tables and chairs will be purchased for Center use.

Finally, worn out and damaged furniture and program equipment, including games room equipment, music studio equipment, music room equipment, art room equipment, and technology for the youth computer lab will be replaced.

BGC Maintenance Crew will manage all demolition and material disposal, painting, and repairs. They will also replace all interior door hardware. Contracted installation is noted above.

It is imperative that this valuable community resource in one of the most disadvantaged areas of Anchorage receive the funding to complete the upgrades this next year.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this request.

Very sincerely,

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in black ink. The signature is written in a cursive style and reads "Melinda Freemon".

Melinda Freemon  
Director, Supportive Housing Division

**22051 Upper Canyon Drive  
Eagle River, AK 99577  
February 2, 2013**

To whom it may concern:

I appreciate the outstanding service provided to the community of Mt. View by David Barney and the staff of the Boys & Girls Club. I am a current Alaska K-12 certified teacher, have worked in child care centers, and served as superintendent of five Montessori Schools, in the past. The challenge of broad diversity of cultures, and poverty, are being addressed proactively every day at the Mt. View Boys and Girls Club in a very supportive and meaningful way.

In my capacity as an Adult Basic Education (GED) teacher for Nine Star Education and Employment Services, I have taught adults seeking their GED at both the Muldoon and Mt View clubs. Both have great programs but the community need in Mt View is far more acute.

Over the course of 3-1/2 years I have observed and supported activities going on at the Mt View Boys and Girls Club, interacting with staff and the children. In fact, when my own two grandchildren visited my wife and I during last summer, we signed them up for the Mt. View program. They loved it! And, when the Washington court requested a statement about what kinds of things the children did while they visited us--for a divorce hearing between the grand-kids' parents--we were able to list a range of activities they were engaged in that far exceeded anything they might have been able to do had they stayed at home! This kind of community program is invaluable in building values, social and learning skills for children in any kind of family.

Any capital investment being considered for the Mt View Community center will be money wisely spent. These children are going to be the taxpayers of the future if they learn the values being modeled by David Barney and the staff at the Mt View Boys and Girls Club. The alternatives are unthinkable. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like further examples of how important this program is to the community of Mt View, and Anchorage as a whole.

Sincerely,



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