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Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)

Grant Recipient: Kodiak Island Borough

Project Title:

Federal Tax ID: 92-6000106

House District: 35 / R

Project Type: Equipment and Materials

Kodiak Island Borough - Chiniak School Playground Equipment

State Funding Requested: \$150,000

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Replace playground equipment at rural school site. Sponsoring agency is the Chiniak PTA with KIBSD acting as fiscal agent for the Chiniak PTA's grant application

Funding Plan:

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Total Project Cost:	\$150,000	
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)	
FY2015 State Funding Request:	(\$150,000)	
Project Deficit:	\$0	
Funding Details:		
1982 - Purchase and installation of equip	oment.	
1982 to Current - School District repair a	nd maintenance as nee	ded through KIBSD general funds.
2013 to Current - Chiniak PTA actively	pursuing funding option	ns. KIBSD agreed to act a fiscal agent for Designated Legislative Grant
application on behalf of Chiniak PTA.		

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The Chiniak School in Kodiak Island Borough School District has found themselves in a state of urgency in regard to the condition of the community's playground equipment. The last major update to the school's playground structure occurred in 1982, thirty two years ago. Much of the equipment at that time was constructed of railroad ties and other wooden material. The wet climate on Kodiak Island has taken its toll on the structures. District employees are continually sanding and repairing trouble areas, however, the structures are in such a state of disrepair that some structures have been removed because they were unsafe. KIBSD embraces the importance of inclusion of all students in physical education instruction and playground activities by providing a positive, healthy, physical environment in which students can enjoy learning motor skills. Being able to play cooperatively in the outside, unstructured environment empowers children, and teaches them to work cooperatively in the classroom as well. It also instills responsibility and conflict resolution skills that transcend from the playground to the classroom, the home and the community. It also helps to develop motor skills, social skills and cognitive skills through the physical activity. The goal of this grant request is to provide all staff and students with equipment to provide a positive, healthy, physical environment in which students can enjoy learning motor skills. Schools are the hub of a community, particularly in rural sites such as Chiniak. The Advisory School Board and the local Parent Teacher Association (PTA) in Chiniak has been pursuing options for replacing their structure. Unfortunately, because of liability issues, the playgrounds must be developed and constructed following the regulations of the National Playground Safety Standards. This adds significant cost to the process. The PTA has approached the Kodiak Island Borough Assembly for recognition of

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need and potential funding. The KIB assembly is aware of the need, but has been unable to fund the resolution at this point. The existing equipment is highly compromised and much of it is unusable at this point. The goal would be to purchase and install the playground equipment over the summer of 2015.

Project Timeline:

We would move forward immediately upon notification of funding approval/grant award. The structure could be ordered by May 1 with installation occurring over the summer of 2014.

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

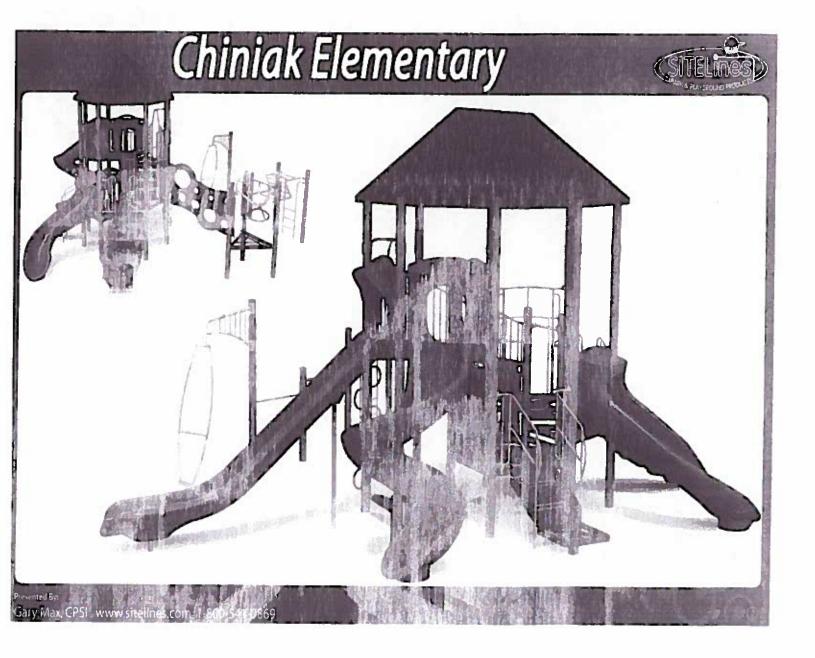
Kodiak Island Borough & KIBSD

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

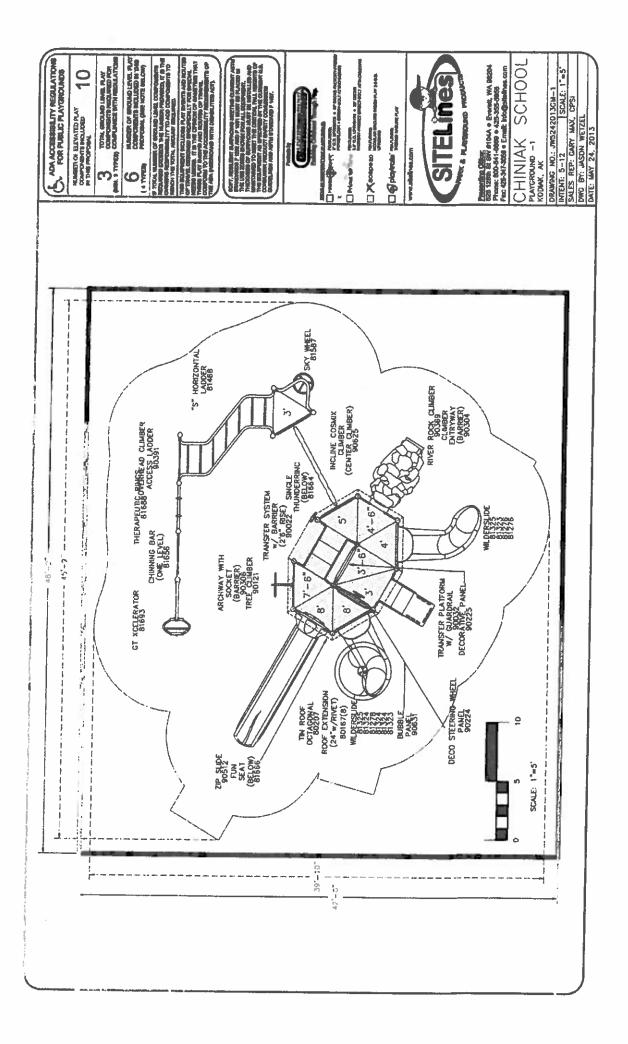
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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes X No

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From:	Alana Tousignant <alanatousignant@gmail.com></alanatousignant@gmail.com>
Sent:	Monday, March 04, 2013 2:09 PM
To:	Johnson, Phillip
Cc:	Hacker, Gregg; Pearce, Lisa; Buchinger, Andrew; Buchinger, Stephanie; Bonney, Theresa
Subject:	Playground photos for Chiniak
Attachments:	194.JPG; 196.JPG; 197.JPG; 203.JPG
Follow Up Flag:	Follow up
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Hi Phil,

Here are the photos you requested. I hope they are good enough quality to see the extent to which the playground has deteriorated; the wood appears to be showing signs of dry rot, there is rust on most of the metal and the footings on the equipment is exposed in some areas. If you need, I am willing to take additional pictures. These were originally taken with the intent to send to Gary Max with Game Time Playground Equipment so a computer image could be created showing what the playground could look like with upgraded equipment.

I have been actively researching grant opportunities, but have not found one that an individual school would be eligible for yet. I could inquire whether Game Time is anticipating receiving another Kaboom grant, if you think that would be appropriate. Last year that covered 50% of the purchase price on some of their equipment. If there is anything more I can do to help, please let me know.

Thank you,

Alana Tousignant

Chiniak Playground Project

Cost Estimate - February 2014

Playground Structure	\$ 80,000	Based on quotes from May 2013
Shipping to Kodiak	\$ 16,000	Based on quotes from May 2013
Surfacing Material & Installation	\$ 35,000	Required to meet *NPSA Standards
Professional Services related	\$ 19,000	Estimate for Engineering & Design required per *NPSA Standards

*NPSA - National Playground Safety Association, regulating body for playground structures