

Replacement and Repair of Security Systems and Life and Safety Equipment **FY2001 Request: \$250,000**
Reference No: 30786

AP/AL: Appropriation **Project Type:** Equipment
Category: Public Protection
Location: Statewide **Contact:** Dwayne Peebles
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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2000 - 06/30/2002

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This project funds replacement and repair of security systems, life and safety equipment necessary to operate state correctional facilities.

| Funding: | FY2001 | FY2002 | FY2003 | FY2004 | FY2005 | FY2006 | Total |
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| Gen Fund | \$250,000 | \$800,000 | \$800,000 | \$800,000 | \$800,000 | \$800,000 | \$4,250,000 |
| Total: | \$250,000 | \$800,000 | \$800,000 | \$800,000 | \$800,000 | \$800,000 | \$4,250,000 |

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| <input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required | <input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project | <input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new | <input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going |
| 0% = Minimum State Match % Required | | <input type="checkbox"/> Amendment | <input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill | |

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

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

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Chapter 2/SLA99 \$300,000; Chapter 139/SLA98 \$250,000; Chapter 100/SLA97 \$300,00.

Project Description/Justification:

The Department of Correction is responsible for maintaining approximately \$16.5 million of state-owned equipment. Replacement of old and worn-out equipment has been deferred for many years, which severely reduces security and operational capability. In order to maintain efficient correctional facility operations, the replacement and repair of antiquated security and life/safety equipment is required on a continuous basis. This equipment is used constantly and continually supporting the life, health, and safety needs of approximately 2,700 inmates per day. Their sustained use requires budgeting for routine replacement of old and worn out equipment every fiscal year.

The amount in this budget request does not meet the level necessary to address all the identified equipment requirements. The funds appropriated will be used to meet the most essential following identified FY2001 equipment needs;

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| Anvil Mountain CC (Nome) | \$12.0 | Portable Saber Radios (6)/ Security | |
| Cook Inlet CC (Anchorage) | \$97.3 | Portable Radios (14)/Security,ReplacementDishwasher,Steam | Kettle. |
| Fairbanks CC | \$76.0 | Perimeter Vehicle, Institution Telephone system replacement, snow plow with attachment. | |
| Hiland/Meadow Crk (Eagle River) | \$73.0 | Phone System Replacement, radio system, and snow blower. | |
| Lemon Creek CC (Juneau) | \$ 8.7 | Portable radios (10) | |
| Palmer CC | \$155.0 | CCTV monitors/cameras, food preparation equipment, security equipment | |
| Sixth Avenue CC (Anchorage) | \$12.0 | Lateral filing system-Records Section/Security. | |
| Spring Creek CC (Seward) | \$102.0 | Portable radios (6), Inmate records/Securitystorage system expansion, and perimeter rover vehicle. | |
| Wildwood CC (Eagle River) | \$85.8 | Photo ID Digital cameras, sand spreader, portable radios, | pickup |
| truck with lift gate, snow blowers, and truck | | | |

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| Yukon-Kuskokwim CC (Bethel) | \$10.5 | Portable radios (10). | |
| Pt. Mackenzie Prison Farm | \$92.5 | Produce truck, Security Van for work crew transportation, and | |
| Irrigation System expansion. | | | |
| Statewide | <u>\$103.0</u> | Prisoner record files, defibrillators, sucter machines, medical | and |
| dental equipment. | | | |
| TOTAL EQUIPMENT | \$827.8 | | |

Without these funds, the Agency will have to cover the costs of the needed equipment from existing operating funds as required. This action would reduce the capability of Instititons to address staff and operating costs that already exist. In most cases, institutions would have to hold increased vacancy to free up funds to cover equipment needs. This action would increase overtime costs for security and safety staff when most institutions are already overburdened with high prisoner counts. The safety of staff and prisoners would be jeopardized as staff remain on-duty longer and longer trying to cover short-staffed posts.