

State of Alaska FY2008 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Public Safety Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol Component Budget Summary

Component: Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol

Contribution to Department's Mission

To provide emergency and search response within the State of Alaska.

Core Services

The department administers state funds to the Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol (CAP). The programs administered by CAP are threefold: emergency services, cadet programs, and aerospace education. The CAP must maintain a fleet of aircraft; make space available for administrative personnel and other office functions, including space for cadet meetings; teach pilots proper procedures for search and rescue; maintain a statewide communications network; and maintain and operate a statewide system of hangars, squadrons of pilots and aircraft located throughout the state, and manage a statewide cadre of volunteers.

The state reimburses CAP for a portion of expenses incurred in administering and coordinating its statewide programs. This includes, but is not limited to, administrative flights, transportation, and other flight functions required to perform the CAP Emergency Services Program. The majority of the expense is for fuel to keep the hangars heated and personnel costs to administer the volunteer group of 1,000. The National CAP provides the planes and vehicles free to the state, and the pilots, search crews, and squadron and Wing staff are all volunteers.

The Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol is a non-profit organization chartered under the authority and supervision of the National Board Civil Air Patrol. The purpose of the CAP is to contribute services and resources in the development and maintenance of aviation in local communities and to assist in meeting local and national emergencies. The CAP is designated as the Civilian Auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force under federal law.

The functions of the Alaska Wing are carried out throughout Alaska by 17 units, known as squadrons, that operate 32 aircraft and 13 hangars (7 are state-owned and 6 are corporate-owned/operated). The Wing individually charts the squadrons. One of these hangar facilities (located at Lake Hood - Anchorage) is where four A&P mechanics and one ramper maintain the 32 aircraft.

The Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol's budget to perform these functions comes from this state appropriation. The CAP also receives member dues; reimbursement from members to keep proficiency in flying CAP planes; and from other federal, state, and local governments for search and rescue; and civil defense missions with reimbursement of project expenses from national headquarters. The money outside the state appropriation goes directly toward fuel and maintenance of the planes and training expenses related to search and rescue.

FY2008 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2008 Component Budget: \$553,500

Personnel:

Full time	0
Part time	0
Total	0

Key Component Challenges

Civil Air Patrol support costs include funding for aviation education, cadet training, program, and search and rescue mission expenses. As mentioned above, the state gets great benefit from not having to own the planes and no training or charge by the pilots or search crew. The main state-paid expenses are the cost to administer the volunteers and this program, utility costs for CAP facilities, and minor maintenance on the planes. The most significant cost is for fuel,

which has been rising rapidly.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2008

The CAP expanded its services to the state this next year by adding two squadrons. One is in Nome and the other is in Gulkana. The Wing believes that both these locations are critical locations in the state for search and rescue needs.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2006

- CAP members accounted for 60 percent of all search and rescue flying hours.
- CAP members participated in 70 percent of all searches in Alaska.
- CAP volunteers assisted in 175 missions, flying 292 sorties and logging 732 flying hours.
- 35 lives were rescued/saved through the CAP's timely actions.
- 12 people were assisted before life-threatening conditions developed.
- CAP members participated in 26 Homeland Security missions, flying 74 sorties and logging 171 hours.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

Civil Air Patrol (AS 18.60.146)

Search and rescue parties (AS 18.60.120 - AS 18.60.140)

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Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Management Plan	FY2008 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	503.1	553.5	553.5
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	503.1	553.5	553.5
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	503.1	553.5	553.5
Funding Totals	503.1	553.5	553.5

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2007 Management Plan to FY2008 Governor***All dollars shown in thousands*

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2007 Management Plan	553.5	0.0	0.0	553.5
FY2008 Governor	553.5	0.0	0.0	553.5