AHFC Beneficiary and Special Needs Housing   **FY2008 Request:**   **$1,750,000**
                                                        Reference No: **6360**

AP/AL: Appropriation   **Project Type:** Health and Safety
Category: Housing/Social Services
Location: Statewide   **Contact:** Les Campbell
House District: Statewide   **Contact Phone:** (907)330-8356
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2007 - 06/30/2012

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:
Corporate (AHFC) funds for a continuing program to serve populations with special housing needs. The program provides funds to Alaskan non-profit service providers to increase housing opportunities to Alaska Mental HealthTrust beneficiaries and other special needs populations throughout the State. These funds may be used for housing development and/or residential accessibility modifications.

Funding:	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	Total
AHFC Div	$1,750,000	$2,000,000	$2,000,000	$2,000,000			$7,750,000
Total:	$1,750,000	$2,000,000	$2,000,000	$2,000,000	$0	$0	$7,750,000

☐ State Match Required	☐ One-Time Project	☐ Phased - new	☐ Phased - underway	☑ On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		☐ Amendment	☑ Mental Health Bill	

Operating & Maintenance Costs:

	Amount	Staff
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:
FY2007 - $1,750,000 Corporate Receipts; FY2006 - $1,200,000 Corporate Receipts; FY2005 - $1,200,000 Corporate Receipts; FY2004 - $1,200,000 Corporate Receipts; FY2003 - $1,500,000 Corporate Receipts; FY2002 - $1,500,000 Corporate Receipts; FY2001 - $1,500,000 Corporate Receipts; FY2000 - $1,700,000 Corporate Receipts.

Project Description/Justification:
The purpose of this program is to provide funds for Alaskan non-profit service providers and housing developers to increase housing opportunities to Alaska Mental HealthTrust beneficiaries and other special needs populations throughout Alaska. This program has developed 100 units since FY2000.

The projected outcomes are:
• Congregate housing for people with mental illness or developmental disabilities;
• Reduced recidivism amongst clients spending time in institutions;
• Supportive housing, including assisted living for people with mental illness, developmental disabilities, or multiple disorders;
• Transitional housing with support services for newly recovering alcoholics and addicts.

Program Description:
The program provides funds to Alaskan non-profit service providers and housing developers to increase housing opportunities to Alaska Mental Health Trust beneficiaries and other special needs populations throughout Alaska. These funds will continue to assist in developing community-based supportive housing.

The demand for special needs housing remains critical. The four boards of the Mental Health Trust Authority, the State Independent Living Council and other special needs advocacy groups have identified supportive housing as a top priority in their statewide planning efforts. The target populations consist of mental health beneficiaries and other special needs groups

like severally emotionally disturbed children.

To optimize leveraging of these funds with other Federal grant and tax credit programs and to expedite the release of funding to non-profit housing developers, AHFC will administer these housing development funds. This will also administratively streamline housing development projects, which also intend to borrow money from AHFC. Typically, most special needs housing in Alaska is financed by AHFC.

Examples of special needs housing includes, but are not limited to:
- Congregate housing for people with mental illness or developmental disabilities;
- Supportive housing, including assisted living for people with mental illness, developmental disabilities, or multiple disorders;
- Transitional housing with support services for newly recovering alcoholics and addicts.