

**MH AHFC Beneficiary and Special Needs Housing**

**FY2000 Request: \$1,700,000**

**Reference No: 6360**

**AP/AL:** Appropriation

**Project Type:** Life / Health / Safety

**Category:** Health/Human Services

**Location:** Statewide

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**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2009 - 06/30/2014

**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Corporate (AHFC) funds will provide for a continuing program that serves populations with special housing needs. The program provides funds to Alaskan non-profit service providers to increase housing opportunities to Alaska Mental Health Trust beneficiaries and other special needs populations throughout the State. These funds may be used for housing development and/or residential accessibility modifications. Since FY2000, 118 units have been developed. In FY2008, 18 units were funded for persons with severe mental illness and developmental disabilities.

<b>Funding:</b>	<u>FY2000</u>	<u>FY2001</u>	<u>FY2002</u>	<u>FY2003</u>	<u>FY2004</u>	<u>FY2005</u>	<u>Total</u>
AHFC Div		\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000	\$1,200,000		\$5,700,000
AHFC Rcpts	\$1,700,000						\$1,700,000
GF/MH						\$1,200,000	\$1,200,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,700,000</b>	<b>\$1,500,000</b>	<b>\$1,500,000</b>	<b>\$1,500,000</b>	<b>\$1,200,000</b>	<b>\$1,200,000</b>	<b>\$8,600,000</b>

<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

**Operating & Maintenance Costs:**

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

**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**

FY2009 - \$1,750,000 AHFC Dividend; FY2008 - \$1,750,000 AHFC Dividend; FY2007 - \$1,750,000 AHFC Dividend; FY2006 - \$1,200,000 AHFC Dividend; FY2005 - \$1,200,000 AHFC Dividend; FY2004 - \$1,200,000 AHFC Dividend; FY2003 - \$1,500,000 AHFC Dividend

**Project Description/Justification:**

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; and/or
- Transitional housing with support services for newly recovering alcoholics and addicts.

The projected outcomes are:

- Add 16 congregate housing units 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, physical, or developmental disabilities, or multiple disorders;
- Transitional housing with support services for newly recovering alcoholics and addicts.