

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Abused Women's Aid In Crisis, Inc.****Federal Tax ID: 92-0061049****Project Title:****Project Type: Maintenance and Repairs**

Abused Women's Aid In Crisis, Inc. - Security System Upgrades & Ventilation Repair

State Funding Requested: \$180,000**House District: Anchorage Areawide (17-32)**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Security upgrades needed to replace out dated equipment. Laundry ventilation too close to exit which creates air quality issues.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$180,000***There is no other funding needed***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Security is a critical issue for a domestic violence shelter and AWAIC has had multiple incidents of abusers threatening participants and staff in the past year. Functioning and up dated security equipment helps to ensure that the perimeter and doors of the shelter are in view of staff who are monitoring them. Additionally, some door contacts need to be updated and replaced which communicate to the system when doors are open so staff can focus on those areas and ensure a safe and secure environment. The majority of AWAIC's security equipment was installed over six years ago and needs replacement, updates and repair. The main digital video records are in need of replacement and an additional one needs to be added to allow for the addition of new cameras and updates to current cameras. Software that runs the cameras and DVRs for access in multiple locations is limited and needs upgrades. In order to address all security issues, AWAIC, Inc. is requesting \$40,000.

A code and condition survey of AWAIC, Inc.'s property identified that the laundry exhaust is being vented into an exterior vestibule created by an addition to the building. The exterior walls and roof overhang that create this vestibule are subject to warm, moist air from the vent. A situation such as this may alter the point of condensation in the exterior envelope and may eventually lead to ice build-up within the wall or ceiling cavity. If left unresolved, this could eventually lead to dry rot and structural failure. Also, in the same are, the roof line of the addition connects to the wall of the original structure in a headwall situation. This connection is at the corner of the intake louver in the upstairs fan room and is likely not sealed or flashed properly. At this same location, the laundry room gas dryers' exhaust is located within 10 fee of the entrance to the building and this is a violation of the IMC. Additionally, the gas dryer exhaust is located outside air intake for building ventilation system. This system needs repair due to air quality issues. In order to resolve this issue and complete the entire project, AWAIC, Inc. is requesting \$140,000.

The entire code and condition survey identified over \$1 million in repair, replacement and upgrades which included the laundry ventilation project. AWAIC, Inc. has completed approximately 75% of the identified projects through multiple grants

and funding sources to include the Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, the Municipality of Anchorage's Community Development Block Grant, an appropriation from Senator Lisa Murkowski and private donors.

Project Timeline:

The security equipment needs to be updated as soon as possible. The ventilation project would need to be completed during the warmer months.

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

Abused Women's Aid In Crisis, Inc.

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

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