

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Anchorage****Project Title:****Project Type:** Maintenance and Repairs

Anchorage - Pioneer Home Sidewalk Safety Replacement

State Funding Requested: \$25,000**House District:** Anchorage Areawide (17-32)

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Replace unsafe sidewalk in front of the Anchorage Pioneer Home entrance along 11th St.

Funding Plan:**Total Cost of Project: \$50,000**

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Local Funds	\$25,000	11				
Total	\$25,000					

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

This project will repair and replace the sidewalk on the north side of 11th Ave, in front of the Anchorage Pioneer Home. The appropriation will fund removal and replacement of a 5ft. sidewalk between "I" and "L" Street. The current sidewalk is in disrepair and poses a safety hazard for residents. Numerous cracks, deep fissures, and uneven pavement make it difficult for elders who use canes and walkers to ambulate in safety. The project qualifies for the Municipality of Anchorage's Pedestrian Safety 50 /50 Matching Fund. That fund will provide \$25,000 of the project cost.

Project Timeline:

The project will be completed during FY '11.

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

Municipality of Anchorage

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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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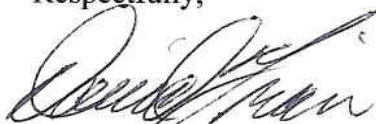
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Rep. Les Gara,

The sidewalk in front of the Anchorage Pioneer Home is in a serious state of disrepair. The section of sidewalk which runs along the North side of 11th street in front of the Home is cracked and has gaps in it that present a tripping hazard to the many elders who use this sidewalk daily. The residents of the Home have complained to their elected officials in the hopes that this section can be made safer. I am concerned that we will have serious injuries as a result of this sidewalk. Many of the 168 residents of the Home are unstable and use canes, walkers, and wheelchairs. This makes them more susceptible to falls. Additionally, many elders visit the Home presenting even more chances of a fall on this uneven and cracked sidewalk. The sidewalk is very old and years of use and harsh weather have taken its toll on this section. On behalf of the elders we serve, I deeply appreciate any assistance you can offer to remedy this hazard.

Respectfully,



David Frain
Administrator