

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Ketchikan Youth Initiatives****Federal Tax ID: 20-2549904****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades**

# Ketchikan Youth Initiatives - Youth Community Center Elevator to Provide ADA Accessibility

**State Funding Requested: \$75,000****House District: 1 / A**

One-Time Need

**Brief Project Description:**

Project will fund completion ADA and other improvements for the Youth Community Center in Ketchikan.

**Funding Plan:**

Total Project Cost:	\$175,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$50,000)
FY2012 State Funding Request:	(\$75,000)
Project Deficit:	\$50,000

*Funding Details:**Cost of the elevator: \$150,000**Additional cost to add deck and deck: \$25,000**Total Project cost: \$175,000**State Funding requested: \$75,000 (1/2 cost of elevator)**\$50,000 secured funding represents funding received for overall project to date; no funding for elevator yet received.***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Project will fund completion ADA and other improvements for the Youth Community Center in Ketchikan.

The project plan for the Youth Community Center provides for completion of the redeveloped building by Winter 2011. This plan, however, does not yet contemplate the completion of the elevator that will provide access to the lower level of the building and eventually may connect with a ramp and deck overlooking the Creek, or potentially to a pathway planned along the creek that has been discussed in recent community planning meetings.

The design for development of the building provides for the addition of this elevator. Cost estimates provided by Otis Elevator are not to exceed \$150,000, some of which represents the concrete pad that is being built now. For this reason, even including the effect of inflation on building materials and equipment, we are confident the \$150,000 total cost estimate will cover the addition of the elevator. Adding a ramp and deck is projected for an additional \$25,000.

The expansion of the Youth Community Center to support people (youth and adult) with disabilities provides safe access to programming throughout the building as well as eventually permitting safe access to Ketchikan Creek.

An important purpose of the youth entrepreneur hub is to create new sources of jobs and economic development in our community. For this programming to encompass people with disabilities not only opens the horizons for participants but also the potential funding support for these endeavors.

A key success factor for the programming of the Youth Community Center is to prepare ALL youth for an active role in the future of our community. Also, making this facility handicapped accessible provide additional opportunities for develop revenue-generating businesses.

It is essential that programming is equally available to youth and young adults with disabilities as well as to those who are able to traverse stairs to participate in the youth entrepreneurship incubator program.

The potential of access to Ketchikan Creek for people with mobility challenges opens an incredible opportunity to viewing and fishing from the Creek for all ages and for locals and visitors to our community.

The lower level of the Youth Community Center will provide for shared business services including an incubator for youth entrepreneurs to start their own businesses, mentored by local business owners. Providing access for youth and mentors with disabilities is very important to achieving this mission.

State the number of jobs created after implementation: Minimum of one job to act as a host for visitors with disabilities—potential for others depending on the businesses incubated with ADA accessible programming

State the number and types of investments undertaken: Unknown at this time—will relate to businesses created in the youth entrepreneurship program that involve people with disabilities

Amount of private sector investment: Unknown at this time

### Project Timeline:

FY12-FY13

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

Ketchikan Youth Initiatives

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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