

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Threshold Services, Inc.****Federal Tax ID: 920102916****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades**

Threshold Services, Inc. - Shelter for Recycling Drop-Off and Sorting

State Funding Requested: \$50,000**House District: 36 / R**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Build a drive-through enclosure to facilitate recycling and enhance volunteer program. This enclosure would protect citizens, disabled workers, volunteers, staff and materials from the weather.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$50,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2012 State Funding Request:	(\$50,000)
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:**There is no funding history***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Threshold would build a drive-through enclosure modeled after the highly successful recycling effort in the Mat-Su Valley. The enclosure would encourage more residents to recycle by providing protection from the weather while sorting their product. Recycling is the business we already use to employ and train people with physical and developmental disabilities and other barriers to employment. The two missions; recycling and the vocational program, compliment each other. The enclosure would allow residents to do their recycling out of the weather and would encourage volunteers to help sort and answer recycling questions. This would greatly enhance community outreach. There will be sets of category bins erected inside to facilitate sorting materials and to accommodate several automobiles at a time. Barriers would be included for safety and security. This front-end sorting allows Threshold to offer a more efficient and cost-effective recycling service.

The easier, cost-effective recycling will greatly increase diversion from our landfill by simplifying the process. Maximum diversion is desperately needed in this island community with our nearly full landfill.

Pending USDA maintenance fund escrow account: \$20,000

Pending Kodiak Island Borough non-profit grant: \$10,000

Project Timeline:

August for ground preparation and material acquisition.

Construction completed September/October 2011.

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

Threshold Services, 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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**Threshold Services Inc.
Site Evaluation
Proposed Structure Location**



Threshold Services recycling drop off. This is a 24 hour drop off located at the front of our building. Note that there is no way for customers to recycle out of the weather. Our employees have to service these stations regardless of weather conditions. Also, being available 24 hours per day greatly disadvantages us because of the lack of care provided by some of the users. We end up having to sort materials and we collect a lot of material that is not ccepted, hampering our sustainability.



Driveway access to the rear of our building is off the main road.

There is room for safe vehicular traffic, but we plan to cordon off the back for 24 hour safety and security.



Driveway access around the back of the building. There is a loading dock for transport of recycled goods in 40 foot vans.



Rear of building; this is where the proposed covered structure would be located.

The structure would still allow vehicle traffic around the building. We have 75 feet between our fence and the back of the building. A 40 foot wide building would comfortably allow two lanes of recycling traffic inside with a large bypass outside.



The first driveway access to the property.

People that recycle would be greeted by volunteers and disabled staff to help sort materials themselves. This would eliminate the need to sort materials by staff, and it would greatly limit the amount of unrecyclable material we receive, which is a tremendous cost to our operation. We would have better site-control which would enable us to control the amount of litter that now

occurs with our intermittent windy conditions. A side benefit to having a team of volunteers is a sense of ownership within the community.



Typical covered building that Threshold proposes installing in rear of facility.

Our building would be larger than this, but this is a structure that is not uncommon in Kodiak, so it has been tested under our climate conditions.