

Alaska Veterans and Pioneers Home Storage Unit**FY2012 Request: \$885,000****Reference No: 46895****AP/AL:** Appropriation**Project Type:** Construction**Category:** Health/Human Services**Location:** Palmer (Greater Palmer)**House District:** Greater Palmer (HD 13)**Impact House District:** Matsu Areawide (HD 13-16)**Contact:** Arnold Liebelt**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2011 - 06/30/2016 **Contact Phone:** (907)465-1870**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This request will fund the construction of a storage unit adjacent to the home. The storage unit will provide heated and unheated storage space. Currently, resident rooms and off-site units are used for storage, which result in additional operating cost and loss of revenue.

Funding:	FY2012	FY2013	FY2014	FY2015	FY2016	FY2017	Total
Gen Fund	\$885,000						\$885,000
Total:	\$885,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$885,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input type="checkbox"/> On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input 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	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

CH30/SLA07/P95/L27 \$400.0 GF

Project Description/Justification:

In FY2008 capital funds were appropriated for storage at the Fairbanks, Anchorage, and Palmer Pioneers Homes. Unfortunately, the funding was insufficient and funds were diverted to the Fairbanks Pioneer Home storage building project, which was the highest priority at the time.

The need for on-site heated storage space still exists at the Palmer home for disaster preparedness supplies, furniture displaced when residents bring in their own furniture from home, housekeeping chemicals and supplies, and for grounds and snow clearing equipment.

The proposed storage facility structure was professionally designed and engineered for the Veteran's home conversion project but was dropped from the plan due to insufficient funding. The original project estimate has been adjusted after consultation with the engineers estimate.

The Alaska Veteran's and Pioneer Home currently rents three off-site storage units at a cost of approximately \$5,000 per year and utilizes three resident rooms for storing items that need to be readily available. This results in the loss of \$200,000 in room revenue per year. If funded, there would be a nominal utility increase to pay for the heated area of the storage unit.

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Department's Mission: To promote and protect the health and well being of Alaskans. This project supports the Department's mission by making more beds available for Alaskan seniors.

End Result:

Alaskans receive the long-term care they need.