

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Southeast Island School District****Federal Tax ID: 920057120****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades**

Southeast Island School District - Port Alexander Facility and Power Improvements

State Funding Requested: \$23,000**House District: 2 / A**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Modification of building for school staff housing. Construction of a battery back-up for the generator to reduce fuel costs.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$36,700
Funding Already Secured:	(\$13,700)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$23,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

Funding Details:

Washer, dryer, bunk beds valued at \$1,700.00 in 2008. New generator acquired in 2009 valued at \$12,000.00.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

Southeast Island School District requests funds for partial remodel of an attached school building with battery back-up installation to provide housing for teachers in the community of Port Alexander. Persistent teacher turnover connected to poor or expensive housing, when it can be found, puts the school's success in jeopardy.

Teachers have lived on boats and in the school office in the past due to lack of sufficient housing. The proposed remodel is modest and will include dividing a large space in an attached school building into several bedrooms. Running regular operating hours for the Port Alexander school can cost up to \$40,000 a year. By installing a battery back-up system in this attached building for heating after-hours, Southeast Island School District estimates a savings of at least \$20,000 in the additional fuel costs per year.

Construction labor will be done by existing School District staff with the exception of electrical work connected to the battery system and the housing unit.

Project Timeline:

Summer and fall of 2012.

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

Lauren Burch, Superintendent, Southeast Island School District

**Southeast Island School District
Resolution 2010-05**

WHEREAS Southeast Island School District continuously strives to improve the facilities and student opportunities in our district; and

WHEREAS Southeast Island School District does not currently have a teacher housing unit in Port Alexander, which has resulted in previous teachers living on boats and in the school office and has contributed to the high turnover of teachers at that site; and

WHEREAS Southeast Island School District implemented an emergency replacement of a failing generator at Port Alexander School to avoid having to close the school due to a lack of heat and electricity; and

WHEREAS Southeast Island School District believes that music is an important part of education, is committed to staffing a music program, and is struggling to re-implement music programs across the district after funding issues resulted in the elimination of these programs over a decade ago; and

WHEREAS the parents and students at Howard Valentine Coffman Cove School have requested that a music program be implemented at their school; and

WHEREAS the poverty rate reported in Coffman Cove is about 70 percent and the purchase or rental of instruments is expensive; and

WHEREAS the paving of a driveway at Hollis School improved conditions at the school site, but restricted drainage resulting in mud around the school that increases maintenance costs and interferes with access to the school.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Southeast Island School District Board of Education supports and authorizes the SISD Administration's request, through Superintendent Lauren Burch, for Capital Project Funding for four items:

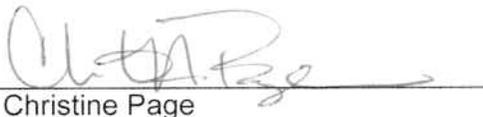
1. To remodel one school building in Port Alexander to be used as teacher housing (\$20,000).
2. To reimburse the district for funds spent to replace a generator in Port Alexander School (\$12,000).
3. To purchase musical instruments for students in Howard Valentine Coffman Cove School (\$10,000).
4. To perform work to improve drainage around the Hollis School (\$18,000).

ADOPTED February 10, 2010 at a duly convened meeting of the Southeast Island School District Board of Education at which a quorum was present and voting.

ATTEST:



Richard Peterson
President



Christine Page
SISD Board Secretary