

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: The Arc of Anchorage****Federal Tax ID: 92-0028571****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades****Arc of Anchorage - Building Maintenance, Repair, Renovation and Supplies****State Funding Requested: \$761,704****House District: Anchorage Areawide (16-32)**

One-Time Need

**Brief Project Description:**

This project will provide funds to improve housing and community facilities for Alaskans who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities throughout Alaska.

**Funding Plan:**

Total Project Cost:	\$786,704
Funding Already Secured:	(\$25,000)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$761,704)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:*

*The Arc of Anchorage has secured \$25,000 from the Rasmusson Foundation to help with costs associated with the training and communication center.*

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The Arc of Anchorage is requesting funds to assist with deferred maintenance needs in facilities serving Alaskans who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities.

Since 1957, The Arc of Anchorage has provided services to children, adults, and families experiencing intellectual and developmental disabilities. Currently, The Arc serves nearly 500 people a year across Alaska, and their families. The Arc houses seventy people in homes throughout Anchorage. The Recreation Center provides hundreds of people with education, living skills, and recreation activities. In addition, the Recreation Center hosts numerous community groups at the facility. Last year, The Arc's traveling nurse made more than 90 trips to rural Alaska to educate families and provide care for children who experience complex medical conditions.

For more than six years, The Arc has balanced the increased demand for services and the decreased revenues caused by inequity in reimbursement rates and a Medicaid moratorium by holding the line on maintenance--hoping things would improve. The Arc met the demand for services by increasing local investment, private investment, and individual investment. For years, The Arc was unable to save revenue to meet the needs of ageing infrastructure because Alaskans' needs outpaced revenues. When The Arc discusses "needs," that means a person or family was in a desperate situation and required immediate help. These "needs" have faces, lives, and families needing assistance. The Arc met the demand by pushing its facilities and equipment past their useful life. The Arc of Anchorage is requesting an investment by the state, so that no Alaskan who needs services must be told "Sorry, we can't help you."

**\$761,700  
Approved**

The Arc of Anchorage currently operates 25 assisted living homes in Anchorage. The goal is to make these homes last 60 years or longer. Of these 25 homes, 12 are in desperate need of deferred maintenance. The Arc's homes are a little different than an average home; the homes are used at a higher level than most homes. Residents spend more time at home than most families; in addition, staff, family, and visitors spend a great deal of time in the homes. Not surprisingly, the maintenance needs are much higher than an average home. As stated earlier, The Arc's goal is that each home last 60 years, which means these 12 homes will provide 3,540 years of service to people we serve.

Maintenance needs for each house include: replacing cabinets, replacing flooring, interior renovations, exterior paint or siding, kitchen appliances, and exterior windows and doors. Typically, household fixtures are designed for 15-20 years of average use. The Arc's homes have lasted about 12-14 years under heavy use and now require substantial repair or replacement. Because most of these houses are older, The Arc is replacing the existing items with items designed for heavier use and/or energy efficiency.

The Recreation Center provides Alaskans who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities a sense of community, an opportunity to learn, gain independence, and create strong peer connections. Originally constructed as a school by Anchorage parents wanting education for their children who were barred from public education, the Recreation Center still focuses on community and education. The center is in operation 12 to 14 hours a day, five or more days a week. Not only does it provide services to people who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities, but also to a variety of community groups that use the facility during times it is not in use by The Arc. Last year, about 11,000 people used the center for classes, recreation activities, or community events.

The Arc teaches a variety of classes in the Recreation Center from art to independent living skills to safe relationships. The Arc hosts events for people who experience disabilities in order to create and foster a sense of community. Aside from being fun, these classes and events are designed to provide education and independence to Alaskans. Community groups use the facility during off hours for a variety of events. All these activities not only confirm the necessity of this facility in the community but also put a strain on the facility itself.

Maintenance needs for the center include: appliances, parking lot resurfacing, interior renovations, gym floor renovations, interior paint and carpet.

This request will directly improve the lives of Alaskans for decades by investing in the preservation of housing stock designed for people who experience disabilities. It will also continue a tradition beginning in the 1960s of providing education and community for those same Alaskans.

### **Project Timeline:**

The Arc of Anchorage will begin once funds are approved and anticipates all work to be completed within 1 year.

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

The Arc 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

### Work to do on Buildings

Home	Siding, Front	Ext.Wind.&Dr.	Flooring	Cabinets	Interior Renovation	Ext. Paint	Appliances	Total
Winterhaven		\$17,600	\$468		\$22,000		\$2,860	\$ 42,927.50
Jay Cir.		\$17,600	\$468		\$22,000		\$2,860	\$ 42,927.50
Collie Hillway					\$17,600	\$4,180	\$3,410	\$ 28,050.00
Castle Court			\$1,320		\$23,100	\$3,410		\$ 27,830.00
Camelot A&B	\$10,780	\$20,111	\$468		\$26,400	\$3,410	\$5,720	\$ 66,888.80
Warwick	\$13,200				\$23,100	\$3,740		\$ 40,040.00
Wickersham	\$3,410				\$23,100	\$3,740		\$ 30,250.00
Camrose	\$13,200					\$3,410		\$ 16,610.00
Greendale		\$23,100	\$4,510		\$17,600	\$23,100	\$3,630	\$ 75,350.00
6111 East 41 (4)	\$3,850	\$31,900				\$5,610		\$ 41,360.00
1033 H. St.			\$6,710		\$3,300	\$6,820		\$ 16,830.00
5000 Bryn Mawr	\$5,720		\$3,520		\$6,600	\$7,150		\$ 22,990.00
							<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 452,053.80</b>

Community	Carpet	Paint	Gym Floor	Interior Renovation	Art Room	Parking Lot	Appliances	Total
Recreation Center	\$60,500	\$38,500	\$38,500	\$127,600	\$13,200	\$27,500	\$3,850	\$ 309,650.00

**Project Total \$ 761,704**

### Timeline of Work

