

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska****Federal Tax ID: 92-0036082****Project Title:****Project Type: Remodel, Reconstruction and Upgrades**

Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska - Northeast Clubhouse Gym and Storage Improvements

State Funding Requested: \$35,000**House District: Anchorage Areawide (16-32)**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska will purchase and install gym safety and storage upgrades to the Northeast Clubhouse in order to minimize risk to members and boost younger member physical activity.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$230,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$195,000)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$35,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:**NECC Management Agreement with MOA \$175,000**OJP Pass Through from BGCA \$20,000***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Boys & Girls Clubs is a private non-profit corporation in its 45th year of service to Alaskan youth. Boys & Girls Clubs is affiliated with the national organization Boys & Girls Clubs of America and share their commitment to help youth of all backgrounds develop the qualities needed to become responsible citizens and leaders. Boys & Girls Clubs' mission is to empower and inspire the diverse youth of Alaska to realize their full potential by offering them hope, opportunity, and a safe environment in which to grow.

Forty-two Clubs serve over 12,000 young Alaskans each year, and Clubs welcome thousands of visiting families and youth at our community events and Clubhouse activities. Each day, Boys & Girls Clubs help our state's youth by:

- oMentoring children during the peak juvenile crime hours of 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.;
- oUtilizing over 200 professionally-trained youth development staff and enriching our programs with 450 community-minded volunteers;
- oProviding a safe, supervised environment for young people during vulnerable hours; and
- oAddressing key issues such as violence prevention, healthy lifestyles and school and work readiness through outcome-based curricula.

Project Location: Northeast Community Center and Boys & Girls Club, Muldoon

243 youth members with an average daily attendance of 106 youth.

For the Gym:

Wall pads to both ends of the gym; pole pads on the basketball poles provide safety

Two rows Hide-a-Benches that fold up and are padded when not in use

Portable scoreboard

Two Six-shooter Youth Basketball Goals that will help in the development of our younger members

These additions to the gym will increase the safety for Club members, increase the usage and open the possibility of hosting community tournaments and games. Staff will also be able to reach out to younger members who can't play on a regulation size basketball hoop.

For the Clubhouse:

Storage cubbies for Clubhouse participants

Project Timeline:

Equipment procurement in Fall 2013, and installation in Winter 2013-2014

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

Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska

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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

The Honorable Bill Wielechowski
Senator
State Capitol Room 101
Juneau, AK 99801

RE: State Grant for the Boys & Girls Club, NorthEast Community Center

Dear Senator Wielechowski:

The Northeast Community Council hereby give it support for a State Grant requesting funds for the Boys & Girls Club upgrade to the gym and other youth supplies located at the NorthEast Community Center.

The upgrades would include a hide-a-way bench with padding; wall padding; a portable score board and other youth supplies. This will increase safety as well as the usage among members and hosting games within the facility.

As you are probably aware the Northeast Community Council has their monthly board meetings and membership meetings at the Center. The Center, managed by the Boys & Girls Club, also hosts other numerous community functions.

Thank you very much for your consideration of this Grant.

Very truly yours,


Kevin Smestad

President
Northeast Community Council

cc: John B. Oats, Manager; NorthEast Community Center
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