

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Prince of Wales Veteran's Association****Federal Tax ID: 30-0619794****Project Title:****Project Type: Other**

# Prince of Wales Veteran's Association - Prince of Wales Veteran's Totem Project

**State Funding Requested: \$35,000****House District: 5 / C**

One-Time Need

**Brief Project Description:**

The Prince of Wales Veterans Association is having a totem pole carved to honor all veterans.

**Funding Plan:**

Total Project Cost:	\$50,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$15,000)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$35,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:**No funding history.***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The Prince of Wales Veterans' Association is in the process of having a totem pole carved to honor all veterans. They have applied to the US Forest Service for a red cedar tree with the quality and height required for the totem. In June of 2010, the tree was harvested and is now curing at the Klawaock traditional Totem carving Long House. We plan to have Jon Rowan carve the totem, with the help of students and veterans. Once the totem is completed it will be raised at the "Veterans Memorial Field" in Klawock. The ceremony of the Totem raising will be on Memorial Day or Veterans day of the year completed.

**Project Timeline:**

Expenditures will occur immediately.

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

Aaron Isaacs

**Grant Recipient Contact Information:**

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**\$35,000  
Approved**

Total Project Snapshot Report

2012 Legislature

TPS Report 58964v1

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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Aaron T. Isaacs Jr  
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March 7, 2012

Representative Bill Thomas  
State Capitol Room 505  
Juneau, Alaska 99801

Dear *Bill* Representative Thomas,

On behalf of The Prince of Wales Veterans Association:

The Prince of Wales Veterans Association is in the process of having a Totem carved to honor all Veterans. According to our research this will be the first of its kind.

We applied to the US Forest Service for a Red Cedar tree with the quality and height required for our Totem. Our application was honored and in June of 2010 the tree was harvested and is now curing at the Klawock traditional Totem carving Long House. Its value is estimated at \$5,000.00.

At present we have \$15,000 in our account for this project. We continue with local fundraisers and contributions. We estimate the project will cost \$50,000; this includes carving of the Totem, a Bronze plaque at the base of the Totem, refreshments and transportation for our guest speaker (A Medal of Honor holder) on dedication day. The Totem will be raised at the Veterans Memorial Field in Klawock on Memorial Day or Veterans Day of the year completed. We humbly ask your organization for a contribution to this unique project honoring Veterans. You will receive advanced notice of the Totem rising date. Enclosed is a Prince of Wales Visitors guide and a walking map of Klawock and pictures of harvesting and transportation of the tree to Klawock.

Sincerely,

Aaron T. Isaacs Jr.  
President

PRINCE OF WALES VETERAN'S ASSOCIATION

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## Veteran Pole to be raised at Memorial Field in Klawock

The Prince of Wales Veterans have started a project to carve and raise a Totem Pole Honoring Veterans.

The U.S. Forest Service, Craig Ranger District allowed the selecting and harvesting of a Red Cedar that would be used for the carving of the Totem Pole.

On Sunday, June 21, 2009 Brent and Annette Cole, along with several Prince of Wales Veterans traveled

to the Polk Inlet road to retrieve the Red Cedar which their crew had fallen the week before.



After the tree was loaded and secured for transportation to the Totem Center in Klawock, a United States Flag and an Alaska State flag were mounted on the log truck, and Service Flags were mounted on five Veterans pick-ups as

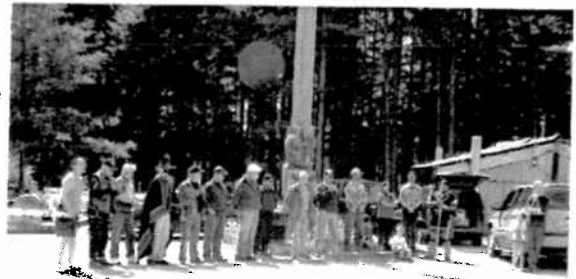


the convoy headed to Klawock.

The tree was met at the Klawock Totem Center by the Klawock Heinyaa Kwaan Dancers and John Rowan welcomed the log in the Tlinget Tradition.



It is planned for Jon Rowan to carve the totem, with the help of students and veterans. Once the totem is completed it will be raised at the "Veterans Memorial Field" in Klawock. A bronze plaque will be placed at the base of the Totem honoring all Veterans.



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