

Alaska Air Carriers Association, Inc. - Medallion Foundation

FY2014 Request: \$500,000
Reference No: 45816

AP/AL: Appropriation
Category: Transportation

Project Type: Life / Health / Safety
Recipient: Alaska Air Carriers Association, Inc.

Location: Statewide

House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)

Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2013 - 06/30/2018

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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This amendment to the FY2014 Governor's capital budget adds \$750,000 for a new total of \$1,000,000 to continue aviation safety training operations. This amendment was due to information that was received from the organization after the release of the Governor's budget. This project will provide state support to the Medallion Foundation as they transition their business model to a more fee based structure. The mission of the Medallion Foundation is to reduce aviation accidents in Alaska by fostering a new safety culture and by promoting higher safety standards through training, research, education, auditing and advocacy.

Funding:	<u>FY2014</u>	<u>FY2015</u>	<u>FY2016</u>	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>Total</u>
Gen Fund	\$500,000						\$500,000
Total:	\$500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$500,000

<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
<u>One-Time Startup:</u>	0	
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Project Description/Justification:

The Medallion Foundation provides critical training, education, and advocacy courses to promote aviation safety for pilots across the state. Medallion provides training access to Aviation Training Devices (ATD's) to allow pilots the opportunity to practice recognition and avoidance of the causes of accidents in all extreme weather conditions, as well as a multitude of other flight simulator training options that are available at locations around the state. Additionally, they also provide education and advocacy courses for commercial and private aviation stakeholders to work together to develop and implement aviation safety strategies aimed at reducing aviation accidents in Alaska.

For the past decade, a total of \$17 million from the federal government has funded the Medallion Foundation. Federal delegates indicate that the state provide matching funding for continuation of the program.

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carriers operating in Alaska. Those same participants carry 95 percent of the cargo and mail transported within Alaska. Participants in the safety program serve 100 percent of the communities in Alaska. The voluntary participation results in a higher level of air safety for all of Alaska's communities and for residents that fly on these carriers.

Since formed in 2001, the Medallion Foundation has contributed significantly to the reduction in aviation mishaps. More than 100 air carriers and 800 general aviation operators have actively participated in Medallion Foundation programs. Commercial aviation accidents have been reduced by 39 percent.