

**MH Home Modification and Upgrades to Retain Housing****FY2015 Request: \$1,050,000****Reference No: 33671****AP/AL:** Appropriation**Project Type:** Renovation and Remodeling**Category:** Health/Human Services**Recipient:** Various**Location:** Statewide**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)**Contact:** Jennifer Klein**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2014 - 06/30/2019**Contact Phone:** (907)465-1870**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This competitive capital grant program provides housing modifications for persons with special needs. People are able to remain in their homes, thereby avoiding the greater cost of supported housing or institutional housing.

<b>Funding:</b>	<u>FY2015</u>	<u>FY2016</u>	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>Total</u>
AHFC Div		\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$250,000	\$1,250,000
GF/MH	\$750,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$500,000	\$3,250,000
MHTAAR	\$300,000		\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$300,000	\$1,500,000
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,050,000</b>	<b>\$750,000</b>	<b>\$1,050,000</b>	<b>\$1,050,000</b>	<b>\$1,050,000</b>	<b>\$1,050,000</b>	<b>\$6,000,000</b>

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> On-Going
0% = Minimum State Match % Required		<input type="checkbox"/> Amendment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mental Health Bill	

**Operating & Maintenance Costs:**

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Staff</u>
Project Development:	0	0
Ongoing Operating:	0	0
One-Time Startup:	0	0
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

Sec4 Ch15 SLA2013 P12 L13 HB66 \$1,050,000  
 Sec5 Ch16 SLA2012 P13 L18 HB285 \$1,050,000  
 Sec4 Ch4 SLA2011 P11 L16 HB109 \$1,050,000  
 Sec5 Ch42 SLA2010 P18 L12 HB302 \$1,050,000  
 Sec4 Ch13 SLA2009 P14 L16 HB83 \$1,050,000  
 Sec4 Ch28 SLA2008 P15 L12 HB312 \$500,000  
 Sec4 Ch29 SLA2007 P13 L21 HB96 \$250,000  
 Sec5 Ch34 SLA2006 P13 L20 HB366 \$200,000  
 Sec5 Ch5 SLA2005 P13 L28 HB66 \$300,000  
 Sec5 Ch157 SLA2004 P11 L16 HB377 \$300,000  
 Sec4 Ch84 SLA2003 P11 L8 HB76 \$300,000

**Project Description/Justification:**

This capital project provides housing modifications for persons experiencing a disability, allowing them to remain in their homes and potentially reducing the cost of providing supported housing. This project increases the accessibility of current housing so that Mental Health Trust beneficiaries and other special needs populations can move into or remain in their own homes. Home modifications are available to people wherever they reside, regardless of whether they own or rent and with whom they live. Approximately 125 families receive modifications to their homes each grant cycle. Many of the

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agencies that receive these funds have wait lists for the needed modifications. Typical kinds of assistance provided are accessibility modifications or additions (widening doorways, remodeling bathrooms or kitchens, installing entrance ramps, adding bathrooms or bedrooms) and related equipment.

Grantees coordinate their efforts with the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) weatherization program and similar tribal and municipal programs to supply essential repairs or upgrades to building structures (heating, plumbing, and/or electrical systems, roofs, weatherproofing, energy efficiency improvements). Funds are not available to duplicate down payment, mortgage buy-down, or building repair and weatherization programs currently operated by AHFC. This program is supported in the Comprehensive Integrated Mental Health Plan, *Moving Forward*.