

**Community Block Grants**

**FY2017 Request: \$6,060,000**  
**Reference No: 38946**

**AP/AL:** Appropriation  
**Category:** Development  
**Location:** Statewide  
**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)  
**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2016 - 06/30/2021

**Project Type:** Life / Health / Safety  
**Recipient:** Various  
**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)  
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**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Community Block Grants encompass multiple federally funded programs, enabling the Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development (DCCED) to provide grants to communities and non-profits that provide services and/or benefits for low to moderate income individuals.

| <b>Funding:</b> | <b>FY2017</b>      | <b>FY2018</b>      | <b>FY2019</b>      | <b>FY2020</b>      | <b>FY2021</b>      | <b>FY2022</b>      | <b>Total</b>        |
|-----------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1002 Fed Rcpts  | \$6,000,000        | \$6,000,000        | \$6,000,000        | \$6,000,000        | \$6,000,000        | \$6,000,000        | \$36,000,000        |
| 1003 G/F Match  | \$60,000           | \$60,000           | \$60,000           | \$60,000           | \$60,000           | \$60,000           | \$360,000           |
| <b>Total:</b>   | <b>\$6,060,000</b> | <b>\$6,060,000</b> | <b>\$6,060,000</b> | <b>\$6,060,000</b> | <b>\$6,060,000</b> | <b>\$6,060,000</b> | <b>\$36,360,000</b> |

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|---|---|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| <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 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:**

- Sec1 Ch38 SLA2015 P2 L16 SB26 \$6,060,000
- Sec1 Ch18 SLA2014 P3 L26 SB119 \$6,060,000
- Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P4 L5 SB18 \$6,060,000
- Sec1 Ch17 SLA2012 P5 L12 SB160 \$6,060,000
- Sec1 Ch5 SLA2011 P4 L10 SB46 \$6,571,000
- Sec7 Ch43 SLA2010 P21 L4 SB230 \$5,900,000
- Sec1 Ch15 SLA2009 P3 L3 SB75 \$6,100,000
- Sec13 Ch29 SLA2008 P88 L7 SB221 \$6,100,000
- Sec4 Ch30 SLA2007 P84 L24 SB53 \$6,110,000
- Sec1 Ch82 SLA2006 P3 L24 SB231 \$6,115,000
- Sec2 Ch3 SLA2005 P3 L22 SB46 \$6,115,000
- Sec1 Ch159 SLA2004 P3 L1 SB283 \$6,000,000
- Sec1 Ch82 SLA2003 P3 L6 SB100 \$6,000,000

**Project Description/Justification:**

**Community Services Block Grants:**

This program provides funding to reduce and/or prevent poverty through community based educational activities which lead to a greater degree of self-sufficiency.

As authorized by federal Public Law 97-35, throughout the United States, the federal Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) has designated 950 Community Action Agencies (CAAs) - all of whom may then receive federal funding that passes-through the appropriate state agency. Within Alaska, HHS has designated only one CAA, the non-profit corporation Rural Alaska Community Action Program (RurAL CAP).

RurAL CAP's mission is to protect the heritage of, while also improving the quality of life for, low income rural Alaskans. This is accomplished through educational programs such as alcohol and drug abuse prevention programs, fetal alcohol syndrome prevention programs, and child development programs; adult training; affordable housing programs; advocacy for low-income individuals; and instruction on how to advocate for themselves.

This program has been in existence since 1965. HHS provides 100 percent of the funding. For FY2017, \$3 million in federal funding is anticipated.

**Community Development Block Grants:**

This program provides grants, not to exceed \$850,000, to municipalities for planning activities, infrastructure projects, and economic development which benefit low to moderate-income individuals.

This program has been in existence since 1983. The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides funding, which ranges from \$3 to \$3.5 million annually with a state match of two percent. For FY2017, DCCED anticipates \$3 million in federal funding with a state match of \$60,000.

**Summary of Anticipated Federal and GF Match Funding by Federal Agency:**

| <b>Federal Agency</b> | <b>Federal</b>     | <b>General Fund Match</b> | <b>Total</b>       |
|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| HHS                   | \$3,000,000        | \$0                       | \$3,000,000        |
| HUD                   | \$3,000,000        | \$60,000                  | \$3,060,000        |
| <b>Total</b>          | <b>\$6,000,000</b> | <b>\$60,000</b>           | <b>\$6,060,000</b> |