

Scope Change: Planning, Design, and Construction of the Alaska Center for Treatment **FY2017 Request: \$0**
Reference No: 61062

AP/AL: Appropriation **Project Type:** Construction
Category: Health/Human Services
Location: Anchorage Areawide **House District:** Anchorage Areawide (HD 12-28)
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Estimated Project Dates: 06/30/2016 - 06/30/2020 **Contact Phone:** (907)465-1870

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This project will support one time funding for planning, design, and construction for the Alaska Center for Treatment in Anchorage. The planning, design, and project management services will be offered by the Municipality of Anchorage in collaboration with the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority including; proposed site investigation, scope development, architectural programming, concept design, site planning, financial plan development, coordination of public process, development of bridge documents for a design/build process, project management, and facility construction.

Funding:	<u>FY2017</u>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>FY2021</u>	<u>FY2022</u>	<u>Total</u>
Total:	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

<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
One-Time Startup:	0	0
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:
 Sec33 Ch43 SLA2010 P162 L23 SB230 \$5,500,000

Project Description/Justification:

The original appropriation for this project omitted construction activity from the project description; the intent of this change is to amend the project scope to include construction. No additional funding is being added. The State of Alaska, Department of Health and Social Services received \$5,500,000 through a legislative appropriation in FY2011 for planning and design for a new detox center, secure treatment, and supporting programs that aid in the recovery of chronic alcoholism. The planning and design work is complete and has produced several configurations for a recovery center campus and has identified preferred site options within the municipality.

Predevelopment work has been initiated and drawings for the concept are approximately 5% complete. The Trust and Municipality will work to complete site work and the remaining design to better leverage the remaining \$5,085,757 for capital construction. The intent is to make the most of resources available to assist people in accessing treatment which will lower the costs for both the state and Municipality. With an estimated construction cost of \$5,500,000 the remaining project

funding would cover approximately 90% of the construction cost with the balance funded through in kind match from the Municipality and the Trust.

The impetus for this initiative is the impending closure of the substance abuse treatment facility located near the Ted Stevens' International Airport. During the course of the planning and development completed this project has shifted from an originally planned large in-patient treatment facility as a component of the Bring the Kids Home initiative to focus on rebuilding the existing Clitheroe program's services at the existing site through construction of a new treatment facility.

There have been a few different attempts to re-align resources, including a proposal to combine housing and treatment on Raspberry Road utilizing land being disposed of by the federal government and now focusing on a rebuild of the existing treatment facility which will have the advantage of incorporating the Mental Health Trust's ability to assist with development of the property and the Municipality contributing the land.

Anchorage is Alaska's largest city with over 41% of the state's population. With the large population base Anchorage has become the central location for services within the state of Alaska. Some rural Alaskan residents travel to Anchorage for a variety of needs. In the Anchorage community there is a need for treatment facilities to provide services to individuals with substance use disorders (SUD) or a co-occurring substance use and mental health disorder (COD). There is a gap between the number of available treatment beds in Anchorage and the number of people seeking treatment. There are waiting lists for detoxification and residential treatment. When funding is available, some of the providers are sending residents to facilities in other states. The gap, the waitlists and the use of facilities outside of Alaska inhibits the ability to provide the continuum of services that increase the potential for long term recovery.

The need for the project is evident based on the data and current population growth. There is a clear link between the growing homeless population in Anchorage and this project. Data shows that the majority of the homeless population in Anchorage suffers from either chronic alcoholism or mental illness, or a combination of the two. Without the infrastructure and programs in place to serve this population, the homeless situation will continue to deteriorate.