

**Newtok - Mertarvik Community Development**

**FY2019 Request: \$0**  
**Reference No: 61963**

**AP/AL:** Appropriation  
**Category:** Development  
**Location:** Statewide  
**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)  
**Estimated Project Dates:** 06/30/2018 - 06/30/2022

**Project Type:** Construction  
**Recipient:** Newtok  
**House District:** Statewide (HD 1-40)  
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**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

The Newtok Village Council is coordinating with the Denali Commission to bring critical housing to the community of Mertarvik. This project will match federal Denali Commission funds of \$3.84 million to refurbish, ship, and install 13 barracks available on Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson to Mertarvik. The barracks will be converted into 4-bedroom residences and will add to the current housing stock of eight existing homes in Mertarvik.

<b>Funding:</b>	<u>FY2018</u>	<u>FY2019</u>	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>FY2021</u>	<u>FY2022</u>	<u>FY2023</u>	<u>Total</u>
1004 Gen Fund	\$960,000						\$960,000
<b>Total:</b>	\$960,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$960,000

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

**Prior Funding History / Additional Information:**

**Project Description/Justification:**

The Denali Commission is the lead federal coordinating agency for village relocations. The Commission observed a number of federal agencies have not invested in Mertarvik community development due to a lack of housing, and a lack of other infrastructure and services such as schools, clinics, and utilities. In order to motivate investment, the Denali Commission has identified an opportunity to increase the housing capacity in Mertarvik by moving and refurbishing barracks from Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson to the community.

The total estimated project cost is \$4.8 million. The Denali Commission is prepared to commit \$3.84 million towards to project. A non-federal cost share match of \$960,000 (20% of total project cost) is needed to secure the Denali Commission participation.

**Project Timeline**

1. Completion of design and RFP contract documents by April 1, 2018.

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2. April 1, 2018, to June 1, 2018, advertise and select contractor to refurbish JBER barracks in Anchorage, prepare for shipping, transport to Mertarvik, and assemble in Mertarvik.
  3. July 2, 2018, award of contract (immediately after July 1<sup>st</sup> availability of State funding, or after the Governor signs the capital budget if provided to him later than July 1).
  4. Summer/Fall 2018 – refurbishment of JBER barracks in Anchorage.
  5. May 2019 shipping 13 refurbished homes to Mertarvik.
  6. June to October 2019 – assemble and final construction of 13 homes in Mertarvik.

**Appropriation Language**

The unexpended and unobligated balances, not to exceed \$960,000 of the total estimated balance of \$1,859,711, of the appropriations made in sec. 4, ch. 16, SLA 2013, page 105, lines 22 – 24 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Alaska Energy Authority, Energy generation projects, Susitna-Watana hydroelectric project - \$95,200,000), and sec. 4, ch. 18, SLA 2014, page 87, lines 10 – 11 (Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development, Alaska Energy Authority, Susitna-Watana hydroelectric project - \$20,000,000) are reappropriated to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development for payment as a grant under AS 37.05.317 to Newtok for Mertarvik community development.