

**MH: Home Modification and Upgrades to Retain Housing**      **FY2020 Request:**      **\$300,000**  
**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:** Amy Burke  
**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2019 - 06/30/2024      **Contact Phone:** (907)465-1624

**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

This is a competitive capital grant program that provides housing modifications for persons with special needs. People are able to remain in their homes, thus reducing costs of providing supported housing or moving to institutional housing.

| <b>Funding:</b> | <b>FY2020</b>    | <b>FY2021</b>      | <b>FY2022</b>      | <b>FY2023</b>      | <b>FY2024</b> | <b>FY2025</b> | <b>Total</b>       |
|-----------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|
| 1037 GF/MH      |                  | \$500,000          | \$500,000          | \$500,000          |               |               | \$1,500,000        |
| 1092            | \$300,000        | \$300,000          | \$300,000          | \$300,000          |               |               | \$1,200,000        |
| MHTAAR          |                  |                    |                    |                    |               |               |                    |
| 1139 AHFC       |                  | \$250,000          | \$250,000          | \$250,000          |               |               | \$750,000          |
| Div             |                  |                    |                    |                    |               |               |                    |
| <b>Total:</b>   | <b>\$300,000</b> | <b>\$1,050,000</b> | <b>\$1,050,000</b> | <b>\$1,050,000</b> | <b>\$0</b>    | <b>\$0</b>    | <b>\$3,450,000</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 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:**

Sec5 Ch1 SLA2016 P16 L12 HB257 \$1,050,000  
 Sec4 Ch24 SLA2015 P11 L10 HB73 \$1,050,000  
 Sec4 Ch17 SLA2014 P13 L10 HB267 \$1,050,000  
 Sec4 Ch15 SLA2013 P12 L13 HB66 \$1,050,000  
 Sec5 Ch16 SLA2012 P13 L18 HB285 \$1,050,000

**Project Description/Justification:**

This capital project provides housing modifications for disabled persons, 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 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 agencies receiving these funds have wait lists for the needed modifications. Typical kinds of assistance provided are accessibility modifications or additions (e.g., widening doorways, remodeling bathrooms or kitchens, installing entrance ramps, adding bathrooms or bedrooms) and related equipment.

Grantees will 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 (e.g., heating, plumbing, and/or electrical systems, roofs, weatherproofing, energy efficiency improvements). Funds will not be 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*.