

Alaska Psychiatric Institute Expansion Phase I

FY2020 Request: \$3,050,000
Reference No: 62506

AP/AL: Appropriation
Category: Health/Human Services
Location: Anchorage Areawide

Project Type: Construction
House District: Anchorage Areawide (HD 12-28)

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2019 - 06/30/2024 **Contact Phone:** (907)465-1624

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

The existing 80 bed Alaska Psychiatric Institute facility does not meet the psychiatric need for acute care inpatient services within the State. The expansion design in phase 1 and eventual construction in phase 2 will include increasing the current number of beds from 80 to 104, adding space for staff training, renovating the second floor for more administrative office space and enhancements to various mechanical systems. This amount funded is in Anticipation of 2021 GO Vote.

Funding:	<u>FY2020</u>	<u>FY2021</u>	<u>FY2022</u>	<u>FY2023</u>	<u>FY2024</u>	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>Total</u>
1004 Gen Fund	\$3,050,000						\$3,050,000
Total:	\$3,050,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,050,000

<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
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Project Description/Justification:

Problem Statement:

The Alaska Psychiatric Institute currently operates as an 80 bed hospital. That number of beds is inadequate to support the needs of the entirety of Alaska's citizens who are requiring intensive, evidenced-based psychiatric services whether through involuntary commitments or through self-commitments.

If this design project is not funded, the Alaska Psychiatric Institute would be unable to move into the construction phase and could not meet the continually growing need of vulnerable Alaskans, putting not only themselves but others at the risk of harm.

Proposal:

Alaska Psychiatric Institute (API) was constructed in 2005 and has operated as an 80 bed psychiatric hospital since opening in 2006. The initial 2005 building design and structure of the facility at the time of its original construction allowed for future modifications by adding a sixth wing. No actual addition floor plans or design work from the 2005 building design were preserved. What is known is that accommodations for the future addition were made to the utilities (water, sewer, and natural gas), supporting services (food services) and program areas within the hospital. Early decisions were made that directed the initial design to focus on serving non-forensic adults in the new addition. This determination guided a concept design through testing to discover a single level patient area could be created on the remaining site accommodating 24 new hospital beds in 14 bedrooms. Using 2017 API utilization rates, the 24 bed addition translates to 657 additional patients receiving treatment annually. To maximize staff efficiency and create manageable patient grouping of 12 patients, two 12 bed wings are suggested. Through pre-design interviews, staff expressed means by which the facility could be made more accommodating to both patients and staff and those ideas were incorporated into a concept plan. The design of the API expansion must make the addition seamless, with little or no obvious differentiation between the existing building and the addition. The design will also consider, but be limited to, the following items; land use; supporting infrastructure; site accommodations; building structure and other building considerations; expansion to program areas, expansion of staff and support space, patient rooms; and office unit supporting spaces. The Department is proposing a two phased approach, the design phase being the first in FY2020 and the construction phase will follow in FY2021. Both phases are based on an architectural recommendation and concept design that have already been completed through site research, input from staff and administrator.