

Arctic Winter Games Team Alaska - State Participation Grant

FY2023 Request: \$1,000,000
Reference No: 41959

AP/AL: Appropriation
Category: Development

Project Type: Economic Assistance
Recipient: Arctic Winter Games State Team Alaska

Location: Statewide

House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)

Impact House District: Statewide (HD 1-40)

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2022 - 06/30/2027

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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Team Alaska was established by the state in 1968 as a statewide organization to organize, select, uniform, and transport Alaska's young athletes to the biennial international Arctic Winter Games. More than 20 sporting events, traditional dance, and music make the Arctic Winter Games a very important cultural event for young Alaskans.

This project will provide funding for the annual international registration fee for the biennial annual Arctic Winter Games.

| Funding: | <u>FY2023</u> | <u>FY2024</u> | <u>FY2025</u> | <u>FY2026</u> | <u>FY2027</u> | <u>FY2028</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| 1004 Gen Fund | \$1,000,000 | | | | | | \$1,000,000 |
| Total: | \$1,000,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$1,000,000 |

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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"/> Ongoing |
| 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:

- Sec23 Ch1 SLA2017 P42 L9 SB 23 \$37,500
- Sec1 Ch18 SLA2014 P34 L8 SB 119 \$485,000
- Sec1 Ch16 SLA2013 P43 L9 SB18 \$485,000
- Sec1 Ch17 SLA2012 P71 L31 SB 160 \$315,000
- Sec1 Ch5 SLA2011 P51 L30 SB46 \$315,000
- Sec13 Ch43 SLA2010 P122 L8 SB 230 \$250,000
- Sec13 Ch29 SLA2008 P92 L14 SB 221 \$250,000
- Sec4 Ch30 SLA2007 P86 L6 SB 53 \$250,000
- Sec1 Ch82 SLA2006 P9 L12 SB 231 \$250,000

Amendment by Senator Wilson

Project Description/Justification:

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For many youth, this event is a pivotal time in their lives. Over the years, many young Team Alaska athletes have expressed how important the experience of the games has been in their lives. It is the goal of Arctic Winter Games Team Alaska to keep the registration fee paid by participants at a level attainable by all young Alaskans. The board of Team Alaska has directed its efforts to fundraising, however, youth participants were required to contribute \$1,975 each to cover funding shortages for the 2018 Games held in the Northwest Territories - triple the amount of past fees. The Team Alaska board is determined to continue its fundraising efforts to lower the fees youth participants pay to attend the games.

This appropriation will fund the international registration fee for calendar year 2019.