

State of Alaska FY2023 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Health General Relief Assistance Component Budget Summary

Component: General Relief Assistance**Contribution to Department's Mission**

The General Relief Assistance component promotes and protects the health and well-being of Alaskans by providing a safety net for very low-income individuals who are not eligible for other state or federal assistance.

Core Services

- Provide for indigent burials, emergency food, shelter, and clothing, for low income Alaskans who have no other resources available.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2021

- The General Relief Assistance program had an average monthly recipient count of 43 during FY2021, down from 137 during FY2020.

Key Component Challenges

- Meeting the expectation to significantly reduce expenditures while continuing to help families who need assistance paying burial expenses for deceased family members.
- All funeral home invoices continue to receive a secondary review from the Policy Unit for approval prior to payment issuance.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2023

- Regulation change is in process to put a limit on the cost per burial and is expected to further reduce expenditures.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 47.25.120-300	General Relief Assistance
7 AAC 47.020-290	General Relief Assistance
Chapter No. 2, 4	SSLA 2008 (SB4002)

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Component Detail All Funds
Department of Health

Component: General Relief Assistance (221)
RDU: Public Assistance (73)

Formula Component

	FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Conference Committee	FY2022 Authorized	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor	FY2022 Management Plan vs FY2023 Governor
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
73000 Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
77000 Grants, Benefits	577.9	605.4	605.4	605.4	605.4	0.0 0.0%
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
Totals	577.9	605.4	605.4	605.4	605.4	0.0 0.0%
Fund Sources:						
1004 Gen Fund (UGF)	577.9	605.4	605.4	605.4	605.4	0.0 0.0%
Unrestricted General (UGF)	577.9	605.4	605.4	605.4	605.4	0.0 0.0%
Designated General (DGF)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
Other Funds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
Federal Funds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
Positions:						
Permanent Full Time	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.0%
Permanent Part Time	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.0%
Non Permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.0%

Change Record Detail - Multiple Scenarios with Descriptions
Department of Health

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Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
***** Changes From FY2022 Conference Committee To FY2022 Authorized *****												
FY2022 Conference Committee	ConfCom	605.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	605.4	0.0	0	0	0
1004 Gen Fund		605.4										
Subtotal		605.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	605.4	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2022 Management Plan To FY2023 Governor *****												
Totals		605.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	605.4	0.0	0	0	0

Line Item Detail (1676)
Department of Health
Grants, Benefits

Component: General Relief Assistance (221)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor
7000	Grants, Benefits		577.9	605.4	605.4
Object Class	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2021 Actuals	FY2022 Management Plan	FY2023 Governor
		7000 Grants, Benefits Detail Totals	577.9	605.4	605.4
7002	Benefits	AS 41.15.120 provides vendor payments on behalf of eligible individuals for shelter, burial assistance, and other emergent needs.	577.9	605.4	605.4

Revenue Detail (1681)
Department of Health

Component: General Relief Assistance (221)

Revenue Type (OMB Fund Code)				FY2022	
Revenue Source	Component	Comment	FY2021 Actuals	Management Plan	FY2023 Governor
6004 Gen Fund (1004 Gen Fund)			0.0	605.4	605.4
6047 General Fund - Miscellaneous		General fund.	0.0	605.4	605.4