

**Arctic Winter Games Host Society**

**FY2024 Request: \$1,500,000**  
**Reference No: 41959**

**AP/AL:** Appropriation  
**Category:** Development  
**Location:** Statewide  
**Impact House District:** Statewide (HD 1 - 40)  
**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2023 - 06/30/2028

**Project Type:** Economic Assistance  
**Recipient:** Arctic Winter Games Host Society  
**House District:** Statewide (HD 1 - 40)  
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**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Mat-Su Borough is requesting \$2 Million from the State of Alaska to support Mat-Su 2024 Arctic Winter Games. \$1 Million is to adjust for inflation and \$1 Million is to hire additional professional staff to compensate for a condensed timeframe.

<b>Funding:</b>	<u>FY2024</u>	<u>FY2025</u>	<u>FY2026</u>	<u>FY2027</u>	<u>FY2028</u>	<u>FY2029</u>	<u>Total</u>
1004 Gen Fund	\$1,500,000						\$1,500,000
<b>Total:</b>	\$1,500,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,500,000

<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
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**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

**Project Description/Justification:**

\$1 Million was appropriated in FY2022 State legislative budget and \$1 Million was appropriated in the FY2023 State legislative budget.

The Mat-Su Borough has appropriated \$250,000. \$50,000 in legacy funds are being held by the Arctic Winter Games International Committee. The balance will come from private and corporate donations, merchandise sales, as well as in-kind contributions.

The Arctic Winter Games is a biennial event shared among seven Arctic Nations that has taken place for the last five decades, with the State of Alaska being one of the founding contingents. The host

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community rotates on a set schedule amongst the permanent contingents, meaning, at most, an Alaskan community is chosen once every ten years. The Mat-Su 2024 Arctic Winter Games Host Society (AWGHS) is striving for excellence in hosting this event. The Borough Assembly is requesting the State contribute additional funds to support this world-class event. The State has already contributed \$2 million, which is the same amount historically given to Arctic Winter Games in previous decades. An additional \$2 million is necessary to accommodate for increased costs and staffing needs to build capacity for this event. In many cases, quotes for supplies and services are double what was budgeted for previous games.

**Project Timeline:**

Arctic Winter Games 2024 will occur during the week of March 2024. Funds are needed in FY2024 in order to prepare for the games.