

**UAA Alaska Leaders Archives Consortium Library
Renovation**

**FY2026 Request: \$35,750,000
Reference No: 64798**

AP/AL: Appropriation
Category: University
Location: Anchorage (University/Airport Heights)

Project Type: Renovation and Remodeling
House District: Mountainview/Airport Heights (HD 19)

Impact House District: Mountainview/Airport Heights (HD 19)

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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2025 - 06/30/2030 **Contact Phone:** (907)450-8187

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Facility renovations to the existing library will create a modern archive, enhanced academic and conference space, and a public-facing museum. This unique public repository will bring together, in one place, the documents of Alaska leaders and hold these artifacts for future generations.

Funding:	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029	FY2030	FY2031	Total
1002 Fed Rcpts	\$6,300,000						\$6,300,000
1004 Gen Fund	\$1,250,000						\$1,250,000
1108 Stat Desig	\$28,200,000						\$28,200,000
Total:	\$35,750,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$35,750,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input 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
<u>One-Time Startup:</u>	0	
Totals:	0	0

Prior Funding History / Additional Information:

Sec14 Ch1 SLA2023 P111 L23 HB39 \$6,000,000

Project Description/Justification:

The Alaska Leaders Archives will preserve and promote the legacy of public service and leadership in Alaska. Established at the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA), the archives will hold the public records, papers, and artifacts of Alaska’s public leaders. The archival papers of Senator Ted Stevens, and prospectively Congressman Don Young, will hold a preeminent role in the archives’ collections. The archives will also include papers from more than 100 Alaska leaders including Governor Jay Hammond, Governor Wally Hickel, Vic Fischer, Willie Hensley, and numerous others. The archives will include records of Alaska Native Corporation leaders, tribal leaders, as well as business and community leaders who played key roles in Alaska’s history and Arctic policy. The archives will be accessible to students, faculty scholars, policymakers, and the general public.

The Alaska Leaders Archives will include programming in support of Alaska and Arctic Public Policy and will be housed at the UAA/Alaska Pacific University (APU) Consortium Library. Facility

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This project encompasses non-State funding in the following phases: Phase 1 requires an additional \$16.5 million, comprising of \$3 million from federal sources and \$13.5 million from gifts, grants, and contracts. Phase 2 seeks \$18 million, which includes \$3.3 million from federal sources and \$14.7 million from gifts, grants, and contracts.

This project removes \$18 million in deferred maintenance projects from the university's backlog.

The Board of Regents approved the Formal Project Approval (FPA) on May 26, 2023, and the Schematic Design Approval (SDA) for Phase 1 on September 5, 2024.