



## HUD Grant Programs for Non-Profit Organizations

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### **What Do You Want to Do?**

### **Relevant HUD Grant Program**

AFFORDABLE HOUSING—  
 HUD-funded, locally administered programs

HOME Investment Partnerships Program

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT--  
 HUD-funded, locally administered programs

CDBG-Community Development Block Grant Program

DISABLED--  
 Rental assistance, housing for persons with disabilities

Housing Choice Vouchers Mainstream Program

DISABLED--  
 Build and operate housing with supportive services for persons with disabilities

Section 811 Program  
 Persons With Disabilities

ELDERLY--  
 Build and operate housing with supportive services

Section 202 Program  
 Housing for Elderly

ELDERLY--  
 Convert existing structures into assisted living

Assisted Living Conversion Program for Eligible Multi-family Projects

ELDERLY & DISABLED PERSONS--  
 Supportive services

Service Coordinators in Multi-family Housing

HOMELESS--  
 Provide shelter and services

Continuum of Care

HOMELESS—  
 Technical assistance to service providers

McKinney Program  
 Technical Assistance

HOMEOWNERSHIP--  
 Help families prepare and purchase

Housing Counseling Programs

HOMEOWNERSHIP--  
 Opportunities through self-help construction projects

Self-Help Homeownership Opportunities Program (SHOP)

HOUSING DISCRIMINATION--  
 Programs to fight discrimination

Fair Housing Initiatives Program  
 Fair Housing Assistance Program

JOB TRAINING--  
 Building trades for young high school dropouts

Youthbuild

***What Do You Want to Do?***

***Relevant HUD Grant Program***

PERSONS WITH HIV/AIDS--  
Provide housing, supportive services for  
low-income persons with HIV/AIDS

Housing Opportunities for Persons  
with HIV/AIDS (HOPWA)

PUBLIC HOUSING--  
Job training and counseling

Resident Opportunities and  
Self-Sufficiency Program

RURAL AREAS—  
Housing and economic development

Rural Housing and Economic  
Development

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April 24, 2003

Dear Faith-Based Participant,

President Bush has encouraged Federal agencies to promote his faith-based and community initiatives agenda, and Governor Murkowski and Lt. Governor Lemman have stepped forward to assist in Alaska. To this end, the State of Alaska and the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development have agreed to work cooperatively, coordinating efforts whenever possible.

HUD has a long history of working with faith-based and community groups. The Alaska Field Office has been working with small and large faith-based organizations since the Stewart B. McKinney Act was instituted in 1988. Over the years, that relationship has evolved as needs and responses to those needs have changed. Today, we work with organizations ranging from the tried-and-true Catholic and Lutheran Social Services and Salvation Army, Anchorage and Fairbanks Neighborhood Housing Services and Habitat for Humanity, to smaller, individual churches and church groups and neighborhood organizations such as community councils and Housing First, a local housing non-profit in Juneau.

HUD is the primary source of funding throughout the state for affordable housing. Our key partners in this effort are Alaska Housing Finance Corporation, the State's Department of Community and Economic Development and the regional housing authorities. Within Anchorage, our key partner is the Municipality of Anchorage. Last year, HUD brought nearly \$715 million into the state to fund a variety of programs.

HUD's grant funds:

- Provide operating subsidies to housing authorities
- Provide homeownership and rental assistance for low-income Alaskans
- Develop and redevelop communities;
- Encourage economic development;
- Create and perpetuate affordable housing for seniors, the disabled and the low-income;
- Administer mortgage insurance programs; and
- Bring training programs to build capacity in our communities.

The majority of HUD's competitive grants are advertised each year through a SuperNOFA – a Super Notice of Funding Availability. Senior and disabled housing, economic development, university partnership, and housing counseling programs, as well as many others, are included in this SuperNOFA. The FY 2003 SuperNOFA was advertised Monday, April 21, and is currently open for applications. You can get additional information on HUD's Website at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/adm/grants/fundsavail.cfm>, or call the Alaska HUD Office at (907) 271-4663.

Working together, we can address the critical issues of our communities – help the homeless and the disabled, house the low-income, and provide opportunities for economic and community development. It will take the efforts of a cohesive and committed partnership to make a difference. We can do it.

Sincerely,

*Gail West*

Gail West  
Faith-Based Liaison



**State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services (DHSS)  
Faith and Community Based Initiatives Agenda**

**DHSS Goals:**

- Encourage partnerships between DHSS and faith/community based organizations that share the DHSS's mission to promote and protect the health and well being of Alaskans.
- Coordinate with other State of Alaska departments to support inter-departmental partnerships with faith and community based organizations that share the DHSS's mission.
- Identify liaisons within every division of DHSS who will provide technical assistance and support for individual faith and community based organizations seeking partnerships with and/or funding from DHSS.
- Collaborate with other State Departments, federal, local and tribal government agencies, community groups and faith based organizations to identify unmet needs across Alaska and determine the best way to meet those needs.
- Partner with the Office of the Governor/Lt. Governor, other State Departments, federal, local and tribal government agencies, community groups and faith based organizations to develop regional conferences and workshops on producing successful grant applications and achieving effective collaborative projects.

**DHSS Achievements:**

- Past collaborative efforts with faith/community based organizations include more than 600 grant/contracts for FY03 provided to more than 200 organizations (excluding tribal and local governments, schools and hospitals) funded by the State of Alaska at more than \$109,000,000 which includes funding for more than 1,300 employees of faith/community based organizations.
- Preliminary identification of DHSS employees interested in faith/community based initiative efforts has been accomplished. (Division liaison assignments will be made after July 1<sup>st</sup> when the reorganized DHSS structure is in place.)
- Identification and coordination of efforts between DHSS and the Department of Corrections (DOC) has begun.
- Regular meetings with representatives from the Alaskan office of the federal department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), Municipality of Anchorage, Lt. Governor's office, DHSS, and faith based community groups have occurred since February 2003.

**DHSS Efforts in Progress:**

- Participation in scoping meetings facilitated by the Lt. Governor in Anchorage (February 2003), Juneau (April 2003) and Fairbanks (May/June 2003)
- Research on best practices in faith and community based initiative efforts throughout the state and the country.
- Identification of barriers/impediments to successful partnerships between faith and community based organizations and the State of Alaska, with preliminary ideas for how to resolve those issues.

The Department of Corrections has been successfully providing Faith-Based programming since 1980 through the department's Chaplaincy program. In fact, the Chaplaincy program may be the best example of a government and Faith-Based Community Initiatives partnership in this state.

From its humble beginnings in 1980, this partnership between the State of Alaska and Faith-Based organizations has grown significantly and now consists of about 500 church and religious organizations throughout Alaska. This partnership also consists of about 1,500 approved clergy and lay volunteers providing Faith-Based programming and services to prisoners within all of our pre-trial and correctional institutions and the community residential centers, as well as to ex-offenders reentering our communities. Last Fiscal year there were well over 26,000 volunteer hours provided to the Department of Corrections through the Chaplaincy program. Additionally, last fiscal year there were over 100,000 in total prisoner attendance in religious and Faith-Based programs in our institutions.

This partnership with the community Faith-Based organizations is also providing substantial private sector Faith-Based funding to augment the state resources that are being provided. The private funding has grown significantly in past years to the point that currently the ratio is about 59% state funds to 41% private funds. The private funds have helped to provide personnel and programs, and to build prison chapels. Private funds are provided from churches, religious organizations, businesses, individual donors, and the prisoner population. All private funds are provided through Alaska Correctional Ministries, a non-profit Faith-Based organization.

If it were not for this vital and impressive partnership between the Department of Corrections and Faith-Based community organizations, the department would not be able to provide the essential and effective Chaplaincy and Faith-Based programs and services it now provides.

It is the intention of this administration to build on the foundation that has been laid and to do what we can to promote even more Faith-Based programming and expand the partnership with the Faith-Based community.

**DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**  
**FAITH-BASED INITIATIVE ACTIVITIES**

**Current Activities:**

**1.) Children of Incarcerated Parents (CIP)**

This program is based on the premise that children of prisoners are unintended victims of their parent's criminal activities, being left behind while their parents are incarcerated. The program aims to ensure that the children are matched with services in the community and attempts to maintain the relationship between the parent and child when appropriate. The CIP grant held a statewide provider summit in Anchorage, developed a strategy for identifying children of incarcerated parents, and developed a process to match those children to services in the community. The program also offers parenting skills classes and group sessions to incarcerated parents to give them the skills to rebuild their families, and runs a program for incarcerated parents to send home video-taped messages to their kids on holidays and birthdays.

**2.) Faith-Based Housing Unit at Arizona Contract Facility**

This program is offered at the Department of Corrections contract facility in Florence, Arizona. The Arizona facility was chosen because that is where our most stable inmate population is housed (fewer transfers and movement of inmates). Prisoners enter into the program on a voluntary basis and live in one housing unit that follows a faith-based therapeutic community model. A volunteer from the local community who has developed structured activities for the prisoners oversees the program. Participants must follow strict guidelines to stay in the program. Facility officials advise that the unit is, 'the easiest unit in the place to manage.'

**3.) Department of Corrections Chaplaincy Program**

This program is run under the direction of Chaplain Mike Enschede. Chaplain Enschede coordinates the activities of paid and volunteer chaplains at facilities around the state who provide multi-faith Chaplaincy services. The program also screens persons from the community wishing to serve as religious volunteers and issues departmental volunteer identification cards. There are currently two paid chaplains at Department of Corrections facilities in Seward and Juneau. The Chaplaincy program has been immensely successful, in 2001 alone, the program provided 25,983 donated volunteer hours and inmate attendance topped 100,000, and in 2002, private financial donations exceeded \$107,000.

## **Activities Under Development :**

### **1.) Teen Challenge**

Teen Challenge is a nationwide program that provides substance abuse treatment and life skills training to at-risk adults in a faith-based setting. Teen Challenge is currently offering the Department of Corrections up to 20 treatment beds for women in a semi-secure housing unit, similar to other contract halfway houses. Women placed in the unit would pay for their room and board, would be required to work, and would participate in intensive group and individual treatment. The department is working out the details to finalize the arrangement so that women can be placed in the facility on furlough.

Teen Challenge currently is pursuing State of Alaska certification with ADA, to ensure that women placed in the facility on furlough will get credit for attending court-ordered substance abuse treatment.

### **2.) In-State Faith-Based Housing Unit**

Director of Institutions Mike Addington is working with facility-level staff and Chaplainensch to identify a possible facility and housing unit to establish an in-state faith-based housing unit. This program would be run on a community model, similar to the department's faith-based housing unit at the Arizona contract facility. Inmates would choose to enter the housing unit and program voluntarily. Once part of this special housing unit, the inmate would be subject to strict guidelines, and the facility chaplain and/or trained religious volunteers would coordinate and monitor activities.

### **3.) Children of Incarcerated Parents (CIP) Expansion to Anchorage**

Catholic Community Services is seeking a grant from the National Institute of Corrections that would fully expand the CIP to the Highland Mountain Correctional Center, the long-term facility for women. The program would offer the parenting classes and group sessions. The Department of Corrections has written a letter in support of the grant.

### **4.) Expand Department of Corrections Chaplaincy Program**

The department, along with a very active volunteer corps is working to expand the Chaplaincy program with the ultimate goal of having chaplains in every Alaska institution. The department is working to expand the program as much as possible within current financial constraints.

**FRANK H. MURKOWSKI,  
GOVERNOR**

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May 23, 2003

Honorable Loren Leman  
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Dear Lieutenant Governor,

I look forward to attending the upcoming Faith-Based and Community Initiatives meeting in Juneau on Thursday, April 24. Attending the meeting with me will be Portia Parker, Deputy Commissioner, Leitoni Tupou, Special Assistant, Mike Addington, Director of the Division of Institutions, and Mike Enschede, Chaplaincy Coordinator.

The Department of Corrections is committed to this initiative. Corrections was one of the first departments to become involved in President George W. Bush's Faith-Based Initiative by collaborating with Catholic Community Services in the Children of Incarcerated Parents grant-based program. This program is based on the premise that children of prisoners are unintended victims of their parent's criminal activities, being left behind while their parents are incarcerated. The program aims to ensure that the children are matched with services in the community and attempts to maintain the relationship between the parent and child when appropriate. The program also offers parenting skills classes to incarcerated parents to give them the skills to rebuild their families.

Most, if not all, of our current treatment programs are based on a medical model and, while this approach may work for some prisoners, recidivism statistics would indicate that it does not work for all prisoners. A goal of this administration is to review and audit the programs we offer, make changes to programs that are ineffective and try new, different or innovative programs that offer potential or that have shown promise in other jurisdictions. The Department of Corrections views this initiative as being an integral part of that goal.

Through the success of the several faith-based programs we do offer, we know that faith-based programs have a high degree of success because of the level of commitment to change on the part of the prisoners who choose to enter the programs. The Department of Corrections is exploring a number of proposals to expand and diversify the programs available to prisoners throughout the department (please see attached).

I look forward to talking with you at the Faith-Based and Community Initiatives meeting.

Sincerely,

Marc S. Antrim  
Commissioner

Alaska Faith-Based and Community Initiative Meeting  
Cathedral of the Nativity, Parish Hall  
April 24, 2003 Noon – 2pm

Agenda

- 12:00 – Welcome, Invocation and Pledge – Chip Wagoner
- Opening remarks – Lieutenant Governor Loren Leman
- 12:20 – Commissioner Marc Antrim  
Alaska Department of Corrections
- 12:25 – Chaplaincy Coordinator Chaplain Mike Enschede  
Alaska Department of Corrections
- 12:30 – Director of Institutions Mike Addington  
Alaska Department of Corrections
- 12:35 – Deputy Commissioner Karleen Jackson  
Alaska Department of Health and Social Services
- 12:45 – Deputy Commissioner Ray Matiashowski  
Alaska Department of Administration
- 12:50 – Director of Administrative Services John Cramer  
Alaska Department of Military and Veteran Affairs
- 12:55 – Senator Fred Dyson, Alaska State Legislature
- 1:00 – Representative John Coghill, Alaska State Legislature
- 1:05 – Gail West – Federal Government  
Department of Housing and Urban Development
- 1:15 – Community Presentations
- Rosemary Hagevig – Catholic Community Services
  - Steve Olmstead – Chapel by the Lake
  - Major Frankhauser – Salvation Army
- 1:35 – Discussion
- 1:55 – Closing Remarks