

State of Alaska FY2006 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Administration Public Broadcasting - T.V. Component Budget Summary

Component: Public Broadcasting - T.V.

Contribution to Department's Mission

To provide quality programs and public telecommunication services that educate, inform, enlighten and entertain television viewers throughout bush, rural and urban Alaska; to ensure the infrastructure for the dissemination of non-commercial public television and related services.

Core Services

- This component contains funding for grants to public television stations.
- The Alaska Public Broadcasting Commission grants support the delivery of public broadcasting programming by four public television stations and 84 translators and cable systems reaching 87% of Alaska's population.

FY2006 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2006 Component Budget: \$754,300	Personnel:	
	Full time	0
	Part time	0
	Total	0

Key Component Challenges

- Increased responsibility and challenge of developing alternative funding.
- Stations will be called upon to provide increasingly more efficient delivery of news and information, weather coverage, emergency alerts, and cultural and entertainment programming.
- A number of stations are unable to provide staff to produce important local program services, especially in bush and rural service areas.
- Sharply rising health care, power generation costs and demand for advancement in new technology are creating significant new pressures on operating budgets and levels of service.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2006

· Public television will provide digital television broadcast services in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Juneau as well as operate a joint digital television production facility based in Anchorage. Digital television production equipment located at all four stations will be employed for the production of local, statewide and national program production. This combined facility is an outstanding example of the kinds of cooperative efforts public broadcasting has pioneered in an effort to become more efficient and to expand program services to viewers. Additionally, using the capability of the digital spectrum, stations will begin providing additional public broadcasting services to viewers across the state.

· Stronger cooperation and, where feasible, consolidation of services will continue among grantees and organizations as a means to further integrate system functions, control costs and gain operational efficiency.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2004

- Through their participation in the Satellite Interconnection Project, the public television stations continue to provide

public television programs to Alaskan viewers statewide. These include Gavel to Gavel coverage of the Legislature, televised coverage of all arguments before the Alaska Supreme Court, presentations before the Alaska Legislature by the Congressional Delegation, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court and the Governor.

- Produced, in cooperation with Alaska's public radio stations and the University of Alaska public television stations across the state, and broadcast the landmark health series Vital Signs: Caring for Alaskans, a multi-media production with eight one-hour television episodes, eight companion radio features, and a web site where all material is archived in perpetuity along with numerous other health related resources.
- Public Broadcasting provided coverage of the election with "By the People" forums and candidate profiles broadcast on Public Television, radio interviews with candidates, and extended re-broadcast of all material on Gavel to Gavel.
- PTV stations in Anchorage, Juneau and Fairbanks participated in the national Ready to Learn Service, providing programming and training for parents and child care workers to help prepare young children for school. Alaska's public broadcasters were also able to provide unprecedented live coverage from the Conference of Alaskans in Fairbanks, taking advantage of cooperative arrangements among the stations and new technologies for distributing the signal from Fairbanks to radio, TV and the Internet.
- Digital TV Conversion: Alaska's PTV stations made progress toward DTV conversion on many fronts. KUAC Fairbanks and KTOO Juneau are on the air with digital television transmitters and KAKM Anchorage is expected to be operating the digital television transmitter by summer 2005. Planning continues for the DTV production center in Anchorage which will allow all of the PTV stations to shoot edit and produce in HDTV. \$3 million in federal funds through the Corporation for Public Broadcasting was secured for the construction of this facility.
- Digital television will mean new channels of over-the-air television for the majority of Alaskans, including children's and educational channels, as well as an Alaskan channel.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

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**Public Broadcasting - T.V.
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2004 Actuals	FY2005 Management Plan	FY2006 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	754.3	754.3	754.3
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	754.3	754.3	754.3
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	754.3	754.3	754.3
Funding Totals	754.3	754.3	754.3

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2005 Management Plan to FY2006 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2005 Management Plan	754.3	0.0	0.0	754.3
FY2006 Governor	754.3	0.0	0.0	754.3