

**Military Youth Academy Deferred Maintenance, Renewal and Replacement**

**FY2008 Request: \$1,000,000**  
**Reference No: 35774**

**AP/AL:** Appropriation

**Project Type:** Deferred Maintenance

**Category:** Education

**Location:** Fort Richardson

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**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2008 - 06/30/2013

**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Alaska Military Youth Academy (AMYA) ChalleNGe program currently has 22 buildings totaling 61,805 square feet and an average building age of 30 plus years. The building design function has become inadequate for the purpose of training students. This request is for the utilization of \$1,000,000 interagency receipt authority received from the Department of Education and Early Development's formula funding contained in AS 14.30.740 for the FY2008 AMYA's Challenge Program. This request will fund the modification of the Academy's ChalleNGe facilities to improve technical skills training and educational opportunities. Projects to meet usable standards include deferred maintenance, renewal, replacement and life safety.

<b>Funding:</b>	FY2008	FY2009	FY2010	FY2011	FY2012	FY2013	Total
I/A Rcpts	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$6,000,000
<b>Total:</b>	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000	\$6,000,000

<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"/> On-Going
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>

**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:**

SLA98, CH139 appropriated \$230,000 for the Academy's maintenance. This is the only appropriation for the academy's deferred maintenance since its 1994 inception. An appropriation for the AMYA Dining Facility Renovation in the amount of \$225,000 was received in FY2006. This appropriation amount was inadequate to complete the originally proposed renovation.

**Project Description/Justification:**

The Academy's facilities are built of concrete block construction on a concrete slab. The AMYA facilities were designed and utilized as the annual training site for Alaska Army Guard forces. In 1994, with minor modification, the facilities were set up to house the AK National Guard ChalleNGe Program. This was a nationwide "pilot" program. In 1998, the program went "permanent" in 26 states across America without any additional funding. The Alaska ChalleNGe Program has continued to operate in the same "make do" facilities that they started with in 1994.

Approval of funding for deferred maintenance and facility renewal and replacement will allow for numerous positive changes to be made on the AMYA campus. Some of these changes are as follows:

- \* Space utilization changes; increased size of classrooms and computer labs.
- \* Electrical power upgrades for classrooms, library, dining hall, etc. (Circuit breaker resets are occurring often.)
- \* Interior ceiling repairs are required, as well new drop ceilings and new light fixtures.
- \* Remodel and replace showers to maximize student usage and energy conservation.
- \* Upgrade staff and public use bathrooms.

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- \* Insulate and panel/sheetrock over concrete brick walls; classrooms, dormitories, offices.
- \* Installation of a commercial grade carpet over the concrete floors throughout the facilities.
- \* Removal of asbestos tile in staff offices.
- \* Installation of required fire sprinkler system in dining hall.

Upgrading classrooms to include interior wall movement to provide for class growth, installation of drop ceilings with new lighting, electrical upgrades and improvements, insulation and paneling over concrete brick walls, and installation of commercial grade carpet over the concrete floors will provide the students with a safe and modern educational environment.

This \$1,000,000 interagency receipt funding request is a portion of the annual educational formula funding collection from the Department of Education and Early Development. The collection is based on the educational formula funding statutes specifically established for the AMYA Challenge program (AS 14.30.740). In the previous fiscal years, all DEED formula funds were passed to AMYA's operating budget. With the passage of Chapter 41, SLA 2006, a statewide increase to the per student allocation occurred in FY2007 for the AMYA program. It is our impression that one of the basis for the per student allocation increase was to assist schools in funding their backlogged deferred maintenance and repair projects. Due to this increase, AMYA requests the opportunity to record \$1,000,000 of this annual receipt authority in the capital budget for that purpose. The capital budget is a more appropriate financial environment than the annual operating budget for both recording and completing capital improvement projects due to operating budget timeline restrictions and financial closeout requirements. This request would allow the posting of a portion of the DEED formula funding earnings for the purpose of accomplishing facility deferred maintenance, renewal and/or replacement projects at the Academy.

This project will promote the improvement of technical skills and educational opportunities for Alaskan youth and promotes the related AMYA End Results within their performance management framework.