

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: National Alliance on Mental Illness Juneau****Federal Tax ID: 31-1765419****Project Title:****Project Type: Equipment and Materials**

NAMI-Juneau - VEST Tools & Equipment

State Funding Requested: \$7,163
One-Time Need**House District: Juneau Areawide (31-32)****Brief Project Description:**

Purchase of construction tools & equipment for NAMI's Veterans Standing Together (VEST) program.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$20,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$10,000)
FY2014 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$7,163)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$2,837

Funding Details:

\$10,000 from the AK Mental Health Trust Authority

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

VEST (Veterans Standing Together) is a Veterans peer program that meets a need for men and women in Juneau that are overlooked and underserved. VEST participants volunteer through the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) Juneau Chapter as a working group to conduct community service projects. VEST performs construction projects with partnering agencies, businesses, or individuals in the community. VEST's projects open an avenue for the veterans to build peer support through other social interactions outside of project activities. The project manager for VEST is a Vietnam combat veteran who has post-traumatic stress disorder. VEST is unique and meets a need for Juneau veterans by eliminating those barriers which include lengthy amounts of paperwork and assessments.

Volunteer members of VEST make repairs on existing structures. They build new structures for local organizations, businesses, and state entities. VEST has been providing their own personal tools and borrowing tools when necessary. They are in need of basic construction tools and equipment in order to continue their mission to assist others.

List of specific tools and prices are listed below. If the exact tools listed are not available similar tools of same approximate cost may be substituted.

Portable Flood Light \$219.62
 Magnalight Hazardous Area Lighting 2 X 400 watt Metal \$2,754.98
 5 Damascus DNKPM Imperial Neoprene Knee Pads \$123.70
 Bull Dog Power DB1000 Portable Light Cart \$1,149.36
 5 3m Peltor Earmuffs \$108.95
 Kerosene portable space heater \$473.99
 3 Fall Tech 7595A Contractor Harness \$455.67
 Olympia Tool Mechanics Bench Vise \$47.24

Porter-Cable Variable Speed Belt Sander \$169.00
2 Worthington 20 pound Steel Propane Cylinder \$92.74
125,000 BTU Propane Heater \$198.52
Stanley Bostich Coil Sliding Nailer \$264.92
Makita 10amp 1/2 Angle Drill \$383.70
Freeman Coil Roofing Nailer \$149.99
Bosch Table Saw \$569.99

Project Timeline:

The tools will be procured in the fall of 2013.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No