

# **State of Alaska FY2002 Governor's Operating Budget**

Department of Corrections  
Bethel Culturally Relevant CRC  
Component

## **Component: Bethel Culturally Relevant CRC**

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### **Component Mission**

To provide a secure environment within a culturally relevant Community Residential Center (CRC) in Bethel, utilizing the least restrictive setting consistent with public safety, for offenders making the transition from Correctional Centers back into society. The Community Residential Centers provide an appropriate form of confinement for low risk offenders while preserving the greatest number of secure beds for violent offenders.

### **Component Services Provided**

This component funds the only the culturally relevant overlay program specifically designed for Alaska Native offenders, that emphasizes community ties, traditional activities and cultural identity.

Focusing on Alaska Native culture may help Native offenders identify and adhere to the positive norms of traditional cultures, build self respect, strengthen community ties and thus enhance the probability of successful reintegration into the community/village upon release. CRCs provide group residence and take the form of detention centers, halfway houses, work/education release centers, or pre-release centers for probationers, parolees, residents in incarcerated status (furloughees), sentenced and unsentenced misdemeanants. The degree of openness and level of supervision provided varies with the specific type of offender served.

### **Component Goals and Strategies**

- The Department will work with the contractor to assure that the culturally relevant program collects data and develops outcome-based performance measures that address the following: program participation rates, legal involvement rates, successful return to community rates, rates on community referrals, and other measurements of program success.

### **Key Component Issues for FY2001 – 2002**

- Continue to monitor contractors active networking with local Native Elders to support program development and transition into the villages outside Bethel.
- The Department must continue work with the provider on development of a statistical database for evaluating the efficacy of the culturally relevant program component at this CRC.

### **Major Component Accomplishments for FY2000**

- The program in Bethel has developed community support from local Native Elders to provide such traditional classes as beading, subsistence activities, berry picking, small business rural development classes, parenting classes, adult relationship classes and traditional medicine workshop.
- The culturally relevant component has had 398 successful completions of the core program.
- Residents are provided an opportunity to participate in the community with Native Elders during field trips to U.S. Fish and Game, and AV Tech/Job Core Training Seminars in the community.

### **Statutory and Regulatory Authority**

- 1) Probation, Prisons and Prisoners (AS 33)
- 2) Welfare, Social Services and Institutions (AS 47)

- 3) Health and Safety (AS 18)
- 4) Criminal Law (AS 11)
- 5) Public Finance (AS 37)
- 6) State Government (AS 44)
- 7) Create Corrections (EX.OR.55)
- 8) Corrections (22 AAC)
- 9) Public Contracts (AS 36)

**Bethel Culturally Relevant CRC**  
**Component Financial Summary**

All dollars in thousands

	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2002 Governor
<b>Non-Formula Program:</b>			
<b>Component Expenditures:</b>			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Contractual	122.0	144.8	144.8
74000 Supplies	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Equipment	0.0	0.0	0.0
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Expenditure Totals</b>	<b>122.0</b>	<b>144.8</b>	<b>144.8</b>
<b>Funding Sources:</b>			
1002 Federal Receipts	0.0	52.2	52.2
1003 General Fund Match	0.3	0.3	0.3
1004 General Fund Receipts	121.7	92.3	92.3
<b>Funding Totals</b>	<b>122.0</b>	<b>144.8</b>	<b>144.8</b>

**Estimated Revenue Collections**

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2000 Actuals	FY2001 Authorized	FY2001 Cash Estimate	FY2002 Governor	FY2003 Forecast
<b>Unrestricted Revenues</b>						
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Unrestricted Total</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Restricted Revenues</b>						
Federal Receipts	51010	0.0	52.2	52.2	52.2	52.2
<b>Restricted Total</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>52.2</b>	<b>52.2</b>	<b>52.2</b>	<b>52.2</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>52.2</b>	<b>52.2</b>	<b>52.2</b>	<b>52.2</b>

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**Proposed Changes in Levels of Service for FY2002**

No service changes.

**Summary of Component Budget Changes**

**From FY2001 Authorized to FY2002 Governor**

*All dollars in thousands*

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
<b>FY2001 Authorized</b>	92.6	52.2	0.0	144.8
<b>FY2002 Governor</b>	92.6	52.2	0.0	144.8