

**Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center****FY2006 Request: \$250,000****Reference No: 40500****AP/AL:** Appropriation  
**Category:** Development**Project Type:** Construction  
**Recipient:** Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center**Location:** Fairbanks Areawide**Contact:** Jo Ellen Hanrahan**House District:** Fairbanks Areawide (HD 7-11)**Contact Phone:** (907)465-2506**Estimated Project Dates:** 07/01/2005 - 06/30/2010**Brief Summary and Statement of Need:**

Grant for the Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center.

<b>Funding:</b>	<u>FY2006</u>	<u>FY2007</u>	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>	<u>FY2010</u>	<u>FY2011</u>	<u>Total</u>
Gen Fund	\$250,000						\$250,000
<b>Total:</b>	\$250,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$250,000

<input type="checkbox"/> State Match Required	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One-Time Project	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - new	<input type="checkbox"/> Phased - underway	<input 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	
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

**Additional Information / Prior Funding History:****Project Description/Justification:**

Grant for the Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center in Fairbanks. The center will provide visitor information services, trip planning, environmental education, interpretive exhibits displaying the wilderness, diverse cultures and historical evolution of the Interior. A small theater will provide short introductory films for visitors, and will be available for community events and programs. As funds are available, artisans galleries, a library, and children's areas will be provided. Finally, some administrative space will be provided to support the operations and programs offered by the center.

Total anticipated cost for the project is \$26 million, consisting of \$15 million in federal funds and the remaining funds from State and private contributors.