

Life Alaska Donor Services - Building Purchase and Remodel

FY2007 Request: \$750,000
Reference No: AMD 42070

AP/AL: Appropriation
Category: Health/Human Services
Location: Anchorage Area-wide
House District: Anchorage Area-wide (HD 17-32)
Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2006 - 06/30/2011

Project Type: Construction
Recipient: Life Alaska Donor Services
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Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

This amendment will provide fund to help purchase and remodel the first floor of the Ann Stevens Building to provide additional office space and donor recovery facilities for Life Alaska Donor Services and the American Red Cross of Alaska.

| Funding: | <u>FY2007</u> | <u>FY2008</u> | <u>FY2009</u> | <u>FY2010</u> | <u>FY2011</u> | <u>FY2012</u> | <u>Total</u> |
|-----------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|
| Gen Fund | \$750,000 | | | | | | \$750,000 |
| Total: | \$750,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 | \$750,000 |

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| <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 checked="" 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 |
| <u>One-Time Startup:</u> | <u>0</u> | <u>0</u> |
| Totals: | 0 | 0 |

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Senate Finance Amendment #14 sponsored by Bunde adds another \$375.0 line of funding. HCS CSSB231 X combines into one line - total of 750.0

Project Description/Justification:

Grant to purchase and remodel the first floor of the Ann Stevens Building to provide additional office space and donor recovery facilities for Life Alaska Donor Services and the American Red Cross.

Life Alaska was founded in 1991 and has supplied thousands of tissues for transplantation to Alaska patients. Life Alaska is committed to Alaskan donor families while striving to meet the transplant needs for all Alaska. More than one-third of all Alaskans - 233,888 - have registered to donate tissues and organs, and Life Alaska has recovered tissues for transplant from Barrow to Ketchikan. Life Alaska operates 24 hours a day to discuss potential donor suitability, bereavement support, critical incident stress debriefing, tissue transplantation, and their donor program in Alaska. Alaskan patients and physicians who are awaiting transplant tissues are given priority basis through Life Alaska's tissue distribution process. In 2005, Life Alaska had 178 donors and provided tissue to almost 700 Alaskans.

Life Alaska operations are spread across four locations and the organization will soon lose its recovery facility. Hospital space is frequently unavailable and is prohibitively expensive. Life Alaska has outgrown their leased facilities and needs a larger space for both office and donor recovery procedures. They require space equivalent to a hospital operating room for recovery cases. It proposes to purchase the first floor of the Ann Stevens Building and remodel it to include a recovery facility along with office space.

Total project costs are \$1.8 million with half to come from foundation grants and private fundraising.