

Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum - Building Demolition, Facility Improvements and Construction **FY2007 Request: \$750,000**
Reference No: 40857

AP/AL: Appropriation **Project Type:** Construction
Category: Development **Recipient:** Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum
Location: Anchorage (Campbell/Independence Park) **Contact:** Samuel Thomas
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Estimated Project Dates: 07/01/2006 - 06/30/2011

Brief Summary and Statement of Need:

Building demolition, facility improvements and construction for the Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum

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

<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	
Totals:	0	0

Additional Information / Prior Funding History:

Project Description/Justification:

The Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum center's building is in need of expansion and improvement. The mission of the Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum is the collection, preservation, and public presentation of Alaska's aviation history from 1897 to present. While the museum's mission is all encompassing with regard to preserving this history, initially the predominant emphasis was on the civilian pioneering era 1913-1950. This particular facet is unique and intrinsic to Alaska's development and is universally the most recognizable aspect of Alaska's pioneering heritage. The emphasis on this aspect, however, does not mean that the study, preservation and presentation of military and modern commercial aviation activity will be ignored or unattended. These historical contributions have great value in understanding Alaska's 20th century heritage and will be addressed, collected and cultivated in earnest and in tandem with the civilian pioneering history. However, in the realm of aircraft collecting, restoration and display, limited resources must be given preference to the pioneer aviator due to the fragile nature and the scarcity of the information and physical evidence of the subject. Additionally, these subjects concerning the preservation of military machines have a worldwide predominance in aviation history preservation. In the future, as resources and display space permit, the collection of military and modern commercial equipment will be expanded.

Near term funding requirements total \$750,000 - \$461,000 for facilities; \$270,000 for aircraft restorations and exhibits; and \$19,000 for education, archives and research.