

Senator Albert Kookesh
2007 Discretionary List for House District 5 (Senate District C)
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Klawock

City of Klawock--Library Renovation \$25,000

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The City of Klawock opened their first Public Library in 2011. The building now used for the library was the old Klawock Alaska Native Health Clinic which became vacant when the Alicia Roberts Clinic was opened. This building housed the Native Arts Program for the Klawock City School District for a couple of years and then became vacant again when the old US Post Office was given to the City of Klawock. Because of its proximity to the school site, it became the Native Arts classroom. The City of Klawock has utilized State Library grants and the City general fund appropriations along with funding from Klawock Cooperative Association, and Tlingit-Haida Tribes Central Council. The Gates Foundation assisted with grants to develop book collections and periodicals and a computer lab. The building design does not allow for efficient use of floor space or critical heating functions – with the demise of the boiler unit in 2006. The need for continued use of the facility is evident by the increasing number of patrons and library cards issued. The library is used by all residents of Prince of Wales Island. It provides internet access for students and residents.