

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development

Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)

Grant Recipient: Maniilaq Association

Project Title:

Maniilaq Association - Mavsigviq Water System

State Funding Requested: \$ 50,000
One-Time Need

House District: 40 - T

Brief Project Description:

Mavsigviq is an addiction recovery camp based on traditional ways. Maniilaq plans to drill and install a well, pumping system, and water storage tank at the facility.

Funding Plan:

Total Cost of Project: \$80,000

	<u>Funding Secured</u>		<u>Other Pending Requests</u>		<u>Anticipated Future Need</u>	
	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>FY</i>
Other	\$30,000					
Total	\$30,000					

Explanation of Other Funds:

\$30,000 would be provided through a combination of in kind labor, grants, and other Maniilaq funds.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

Maniilaq Association offers a unique addiction recovery camp based on traditional lifestyle and family oriented practices. It offers residential services for individuals and families recovering from addiction. Programming at Mavsigviq offers treatment activities in a traditional, subsistence lifestyle environment all built upon a foundation of the Inupiat values. The camp is open year round. The program has had great success and more people wish to seek treatment through the program. Currently, residents have to hand pump and haul water year round to meet demands for drinking, cooking, washing, and cleaning. This activity takes up a considerable amount of time. Maniilaq would like to install a well, pumping system, and water storage tank. This will also allow the program to accept more people for treatment. Since the program has had such great success it would be great to expand the services to help more people.

Project Timeline:

Funds would be expended this summer.

Entity Responsible for the Ongoing Operation and Maintenance of this Project:

Maniilaq

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Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No

Mavsigviq Family Recovery Camp

Introduction

Maniilaq Association offers a unique addiction recovery program that is based on traditional subsistence lifestyle and family oriented practices. The Mavsigviq Camp, meaning “a place to heal” in Inupiaq, is located approximately 13 miles from Selawik and 70 miles from Kotzebue. It offers residential services for individuals and families recovering from effects of addiction. Programming at Mavsigviq offers treatment activities in a traditional, subsistence lifestyle environment all built upon a foundation of the Inupiat Iitqusiat values.

Need

The request from families interested in receiving treatment services at a program which blends cultural, clinical, and rehabilitation services has increased since the inception of Mavsigviq. Maniilaq has plans to increase the number of family cabins from 5 cabins to 8 cabins in order to accommodate the increased demand. Such an increase requires a need to re-evaluate the way the camp manages to maintain its water supply.

The current active client list averages 20 adults and children plus 5 staff, for a total of 25 people. Since Mavsigviq is a subsistence style camp, staff and clients currently hand pump and haul water year round to meet resident’s demands for drinking, cooking, washing, and cleaning. This necessary chore takes a considerable amount of time each day. The addition of 3 cabins with an average family size of 4 increases the total number of resident to 37. This represents a 48% increase in total residents and an equal increase in water supply demand.

Maniilaq plans to drill and install a well, pumping system, and water storage tank in order to meet the increased water demands.

Request

Maniilaq is requesting \$50,000 of capital funding from the State of Alaska to assist in the development of a water system at Mavsigviq. The total estimated cost of the project is \$80,000. The additional \$30,000 would be provided through a combination of in kind labor, grants, and other Maniilaq funds.