

State of Alaska FY2009 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Public Safety Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol Component Budget Summary

Component: Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol

Contribution to Department's Mission

To provide emergency and search response within the state of Alaska.

Core Services

The department administers state funds to the Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol (CAP). The programs administered by CAP are threefold: Emergency Services, Cadet Programs, and Aerospace Education. The CAP must maintain a fleet of aircraft; make space available for administrative personnel and other office functions, including space for cadet meetings; teach pilots proper procedures for search and rescue; maintain a statewide communications network; and maintain and operate a statewide system of hangars, squadrons of pilots, and aircraft located throughout the state, as well as manage a statewide cadre of volunteers.

The state reimburses CAP for a portion of expenses incurred in administering and coordinating its statewide programs. This includes, but is not limited to, administrative flights, transportation, and other flight functions required to perform the CAP Emergency Services Program. The majority of the expense is for fuel to keep the CAP's hangars heated and for personnel costs to administer the volunteer group of 1,200. The planes and vehicles are provided free to the state by National CAP and the pilots, search crews, and squadron and wing staff are all volunteers.

The Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol is a non-profit organization chartered under the authority and supervision of the National Board Civil Air Patrol. The purpose of the CAP is to contribute services and resources in the development and maintenance of aviation in local communities and to assist in meeting local and national emergencies. The CAP is designated as the Civilian Auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force under federal law.

The functions of the Alaska Wing are carried out throughout Alaska by 17 units, known as squadrons, that operate 32 aircraft and 14 hangars (seven are state-owned and six are corporate-owned/operated). The squadrons are individually chartered by the wing. One of these hangar facilities (located at Lake Hood - Anchorage) is where the 32 aircraft are maintained by four A&P mechanics and one ramper.

The Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol's budget to perform these functions comes from this state appropriation. The CAP also receives member dues, reimbursement from members to keep proficiency in flying CAP planes and from other federal, state, and local governments for search and rescue, as well as civil defense missions with reimbursement of project expenses from national headquarters. The money outside the state appropriation goes directly toward fuel and maintenance of the planes and training expenses related to search and rescue.

FY2009 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results		
FY2009 Component Budget: \$553,500	Personnel:	
	Full time	0
	Part time	0
	Total	0

Key Component Challenges

Civil Air Patrol support costs include funding for aviation education, cadet training, program, and search and rescue mission expenses. As mentioned above, the state gets great benefit from not having to own the planes and no training or charge by the pilots or search crew. The main expenses that are paid by the state are the cost to administer the volunteers and this program, utility costs for wing facilities, and minor maintenance on the planes. The CAP's main cost

is for fuel, which has been rising rapidly.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2009

The Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol has expanded its services to the state by successfully adding two squadrons. One is in Nome and the other is in Gulkana. The CAP believes that both these locations are critical locations for search and rescue needs. The CAP expects to have a bigger presence in Sitka, and is working on adding Galena and Ketchikan.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2007

- CAP members accounted for 61 percent of all search and rescue flying hours.
- CAP members participated in 75 percent of all searches in Alaska.
- CAP volunteers assisted in 132 missions, flying 199 sorties, and logging 485 flying hours.
- Five lives were rescued/saved through the CAP's timely actions.
- Four people were assisted before life-threatening conditions developed.
- CAP members participated in 22 Homeland Security missions, flying 50 sorties and logging 114 hours.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

Civil Air Patrol (AS 18.60.146)

Search and rescue parties (AS 18.60.120 - AS 18.60.140)

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**Alaska Wing Civil Air Patrol
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2007 Actuals	FY2008 Management Plan	FY2009 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	553.5	553.5	553.5
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	553.5	553.5	553.5
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	553.5	553.5	553.5
Funding Totals	553.5	553.5	553.5

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2008 Management Plan to FY2009 Governor***All dollars shown in thousands*

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2008 Management Plan	553.5	0.0	0.0	553.5
FY2009 Governor	553.5	0.0	0.0	553.5