

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Women in Safe Homes****Federal Tax ID: 92-0069501****Project Title:****Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

Women in Safe Homes - New Domestic Violence Shelter in Ketchikan

State Funding Requested: \$150,000**House District: 1 / A**

Future Funding May Be Requested

Brief Project Description:

New Domestic Violence Shelter in Ketchikan

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$250,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$100,000)
FY2012 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$150,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

Funding Details:

WISH will be able to sell the current building located at 2002 1st Avenue, seek funding from private foundations and local organizations. \$100,000 has been invested by the WISH Board of Directors for a new facility. Seeking a donation of land from local tribal governments.

The design phase (2) is a one time project. Additional funding will be requested when WISH is ready to begin the construction of the project.

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

Architectural Design of Domestic Violence Shelter (PHASE 2)

WISH has concept plans for a new shelter in Ketchikan and will be ready to start the design phase of project in July 2012 when funding becomes available. Project design and development of a business plan are included in this phase (2).

WISH has applied for the Pre-Development Program through the Rasmuson Foundation and will be hearing back by October, 2010.

Public Safety: WISH provides a safe place, advocacy and education for people impacted by domestic violence and sexual assault. Currently our emergency shelter has 25 beds and we have been continually at capacity. We are pressed for space for shelter beds, safe meeting and play areas for youth and children's groups, parenting workshops, and office space. We continue to be creative with the funds and space we have. However, due to the age of the building we are in need of constant repairs, safety and building upgrades, which are most always not within our limited operating budget.

Investment in Future: A new shelter will allow us to continue our mission and offer the best possible service to the families we serve. The project will enhance our services by upgrading our security and safety systems, maintaining confidentiality,

and allow us to continue prevention and education in our community, schools and emergency shelter. If we start prevention in earlier years we will have much more of an impact for the future generations. Currently WISH is providing several programs in our local school district which may include: safety planning for children, bullying prevention, DV and effects on children for teachers/administration, safe/unsafe touches, healthy relationships, and Girls on the Run.

Support for Essential Services: The WISH shelter provides essential and crucial services to our community and to southern southeastern communities. We have seen an increase in the demand for services over the past two years and expect the same due to economic and societal challenges we face. We are all directly or indirectly affected by domestic violence. WISH wants to be not assisting with crisis intervention but understands the benefit of prevention and community collaboration and partnerships. We provide services for men, women and children of ALL ages.

Project Timeline:

Upon receipt of funding.

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

Women in Safe Homes (WISH)

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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