

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Yakutat Tlingit Tribe****Federal Tax ID: 920170735****Project Title:****Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

Yakutat Tlingit Tribe - Yakutat Senior Center

State Funding Requested: \$300,000**House District: 5 / C**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

New Construction of the Yakutat Community Senior Center Facility

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$2,834,694
Funding Already Secured:	(\$2,259,000)
FY2012 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$300,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$275,694

Funding Details:

HUD- ICDBG 2008 Amount: \$600,000 Awarded: December 2008; HUD- ICDBG ARRA 2009 Amount: \$600,000 Awarded: July 2009; AHFC Supp

Amount: \$263,000 Awarded: October 2008;

HUD NAHBG Amount: \$450,000 Awarded: 2009; USDA Rural Development Amount: \$81,000 Awarded: September 2010; Rasmuson Foundation Amount: \$245,000 Awarded: July 2010

Detailed Project Description and Justification:

The Yakutat Tlingit Tribe initiated this project because it was emphasized as a community priority through various studies conducted in Yakutat. There were a number of studies conducted (by various agencies) to comprehensively document priority projects in the community. These studies incorporated the feedback and opinions of all local agencies and citizens of Yakutat.

For many years, a multi-purpose facility has been recognized as a top priority to various local agencies. The multi-purpose facility would provide office space to those local agencies; meanwhile, also providing sufficient space for conference area, museum and other purposes. However, through further interviews/research, it was determined that a multi-purpose facility was not wholly complimentary; therefore, it stimulated the proposal to research the construction of a community senior center facility.

Currently, there is a dire need for space for the following purposes: lunch program, recreational space for elders, traditional activities area and many other wellness activities. The elders currently use a small 26 x 12 square foot area for their lunch room, which also includes a commercial refridgerator, small stove and sink. This practically leaves no room for elders to congregate and dine while eating lunch. The Southeast Senior Services lunch program is not utilized to the maximum

because the limited capacity the current lunch room is able to serve. In addition, in the community of Yakutat, there are no designated areas used exclusively for important events/traditional activities such as dance performances, elder meetings, art and artifacts displays, etc. With the new senior center facility, it will provide the sufficient space to accommodate these programs/activities/events. YTT (in partnerships with various agencies) will continue to work to expand and enhance new programs that meet the needs of our Yakutat elders to support their health and wellness.

The original Yakutat Senior Center Facility was based off of a 4,417 square feet design. Through planning meetings held by the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe with the elders and community, the design continued to evolve to the liking of the community, which ultimately was deemed more cost-effective and beneficial. The original plan was revised by enhancing the current infrastructure to make future expansion more cost-effective, yet viable. The Yakutat Senior Center Facility was split into two phases. The first phase was the common area of the facility. The second phase is to build independent living units onto the common area (building). The original design was also revised to utilize the building's open space by constructing a basement utility area and for maintenance access. The revised building design is a generous 5,457 square feet, but provides all the features requested by the community.

The main building will include the following features(including proposed improvements): Access, Exercise Room, Public Restrooms, Dining Hall, Elder Lounge, Offices (2), Storage, Functionality, Covered Deck, Entrance, Acoustics, Aesthetic Value, Energy Efficiency, Asphalt Paving, Basement Utility Area, Long-term Service Access Road, and Outbuilding Structures.

The Yakutat Tlingit Tribe (with the Tlingit-Haida Regional Housing Authority's as the Sub-Recipient) secured "seed" funding through the Department of Housing and Urban Development ICDBG Program in the amount of \$600,000 in December 2008. When the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act passed, HUD provided an opportunity to 2008 ICDBG Awardees the opportunity to apply for Recovery Funds in the amount of \$600,000. The Yakutat Tlingit Tribe was awarded and had a total amount of \$1.2 Million in "seed" money. The Yakutat Kwaan, Inc. was kind enough to donate a parcel of land for the construction of the new community senior center facility.

Through YTT and THRHA's partnership, THRHA has been kind enough to commit \$450,000 of their Native American Housing Block Grant as leveraged funding for the Yakutat Senior Center. THRHA has also applied and received Alaska Housing Finance Corporation Supplemental funds to commit towards the project. In the past year, the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe has applied to the Rasmuson Foundation and the USDA - Rural Development for the gap funding. Both applications were awarded in 2010.

However, due to strict grant requirements, YTT could not use the entire USDA grant award which left a gap amount in the total development cost. In the past year, project budgets have changed due to improvements to the design which has also caused a shortfall in funding. However, YTT and THRHA has been very proactive in researching new funding opportunities to close the gap amount. YTT still continues to work with Rasmuson Foundation for the remainder gap amount of the project's total cost.

The Yakutat Tlingit Tribe will be responsible for the operations and maintenance of the new facility. The Yakutat Tlingit Tribe has adopted a 5 Year Operations and Maintenance Plan to ensure sustainability of the new facility.

Project Timeline:

All mandatory permits, environmental reviews, site control, final design and engineering permit are completed. To date, the Tribe has completed the Site Work, including the foundation. The construction is scheduled to begin in May 2011, with the project completion date of September 2012.

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

Yakutat Tlingit Tribe

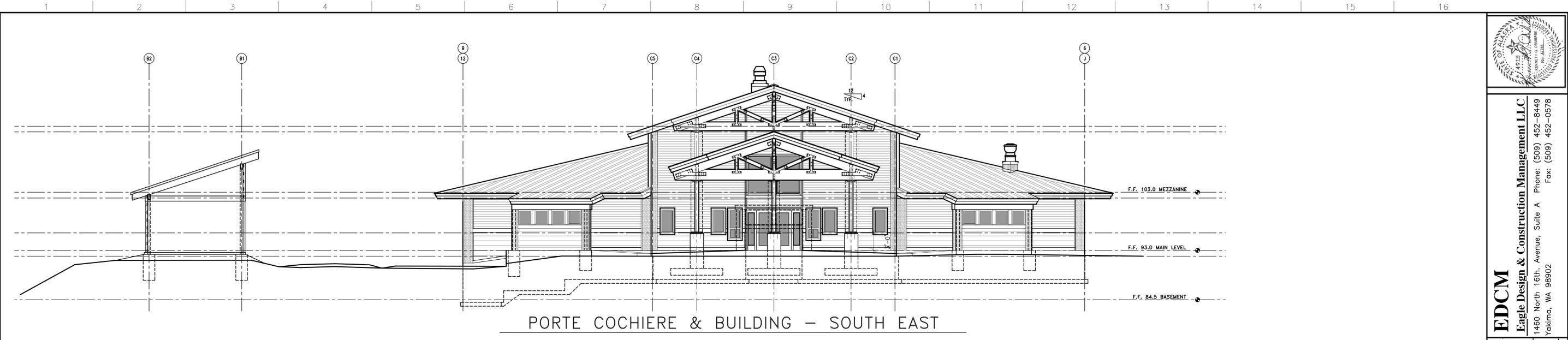
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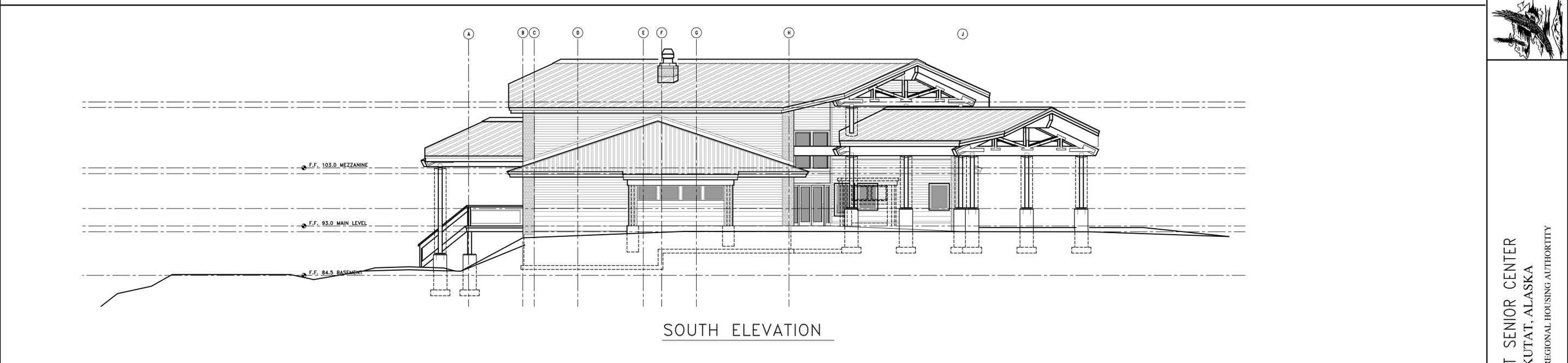
Has this project been through a public review process at the local level and is it a community priority? Yes No

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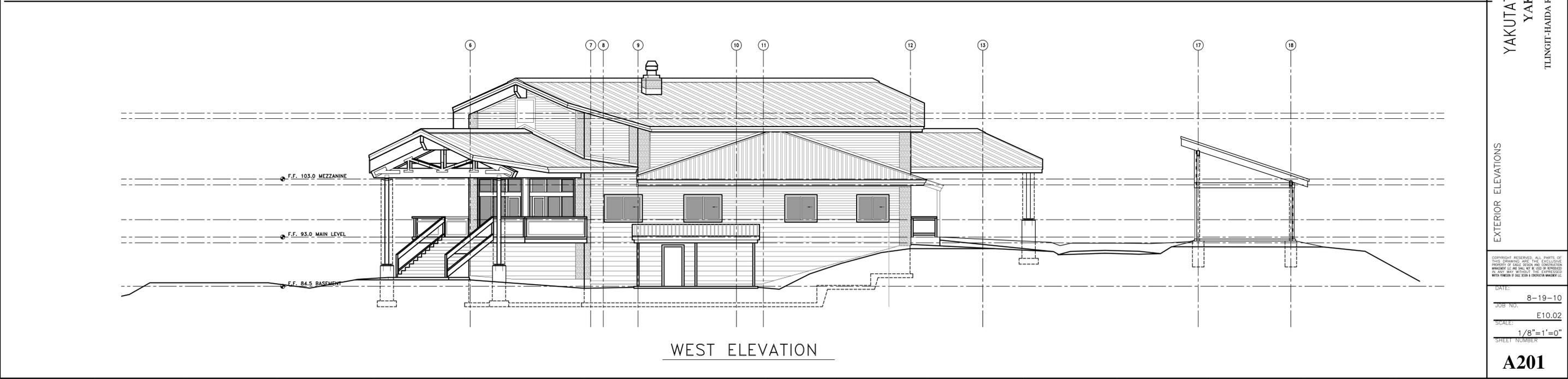
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YAKUTAT SENIOR CENTER
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EXTERIOR ELEVATIONS

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Yakutat Senior Center

Description	Amount	Beg Date	100% Obligated	50% Expended	End Date	Expended @ 12/31/10	%	
ARRA NAHBG	450,000.00	4/22/2009	4/22/2010	4/22/2011	4/22/2012	220,914.08	49%	Currently expending
ARRA ICDBG 09	600,000.00	7/23/2009	7/22/2010	7/22/2011	7/22/2012	338,260.50	56%	
ICDBG 08	600,000.00	12/15/2008	N/A	N/A	9/30/2011	91,406.77	15%	
AHFC Supplemental	263,000.00	1/1/2010	N/A	N/A	12/31/2014	-	0%	
Rasmuson Foundation	245,000.00		N/A	N/A			0%	GA not yet executed*
USDA - FF&E	81,000.00						0%	GA not yet executed*
Total	2,239,000.00					650,581.35		

*GA - Grant Agreement

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February 22, 2011

Representative Bill Thomas
Alaska State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 505
Juneau, Alaska 99801-1182

Re: Capital Appropriation Request

Dear Representative Thomas:

I am writing a letter of support for the Yakutat Senior Center to request \$13,620 as the local match to purchase a new vehicle for the Yakutat Senior Center transportation program. This wheel chair lift equipped vehicle is needed by the elders of Yakutat as we work to maintain safe, reliable transportation opportunities available to them.

The Yakutat Senior Center has applied to Alaska DOT to pay for 80% of the cost of the vehicle; the grant requires a 20% match from the local community. The Yakutat Senior Center mini-fleet currently consists of a 2008 Uplander Minivan (used for backup) and a 2001 Ford Caravan which is in dire need of replacement. (Both are wheel chair lift equipped).

Last year, the staff at the Yakutat Senior Center provided 2305 rides to meet the needs of our elders. They offer transportation five days a week from September through May. On January 13, 2011 I participated in a Public Meeting to discuss the first Yakutat Coordinated Transportation Plan. One of the top priorities that developed from the transportation needs assessment was to replace the 2001 caravan.

On behalf of the elders in Yakutat, I would like to thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Victoria Demmert", with a long, sweeping underline.

Victoria Demmert
Tribal President, Yakutat Tlingit Tribe

MISSION To preserve, maintain and protect the unique culture, land & resources of Yakutat Tlingit people;
to maximize our social, health & well-being while creating economic development benefits to all tribal members.





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Between the months of September 2010 and January, 2011, Administrative and Public Works representatives from the City and Borough of Yakutat met often with officers of the Yakutat Alaska Native Brotherhood and Sisterhood to discuss the continuing renovation of the Yakutat ANB Hall. The following individual projects and associated cost estimates are s necessary to final completion.

Interior finishes include

Stage, backdrop, dressing rooms and attic

Lavor.....	\$20,000.00
Materials.....	15,000.00
Transportation.....	5,000.00
	<u>\$40,000.00</u>

Stairway to Beach for food burning Ceremonies

Labor.....	\$15,000.00
Materials.....	40,000.00
Transportation.....	10,000.00
	<u>\$65,000.00</u>

Rear Porch With Pitched Roof

Labor-----	\$30,000.00
Materials-----	50,000.00
Transportation.....	15,000.00
	<u>\$95,000.00</u>

Bayside wall completion

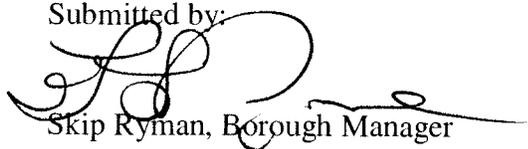
Labor.....	\$ 5000.00
Materials.....	2500.00
	<u>\$ 7,500.00</u>

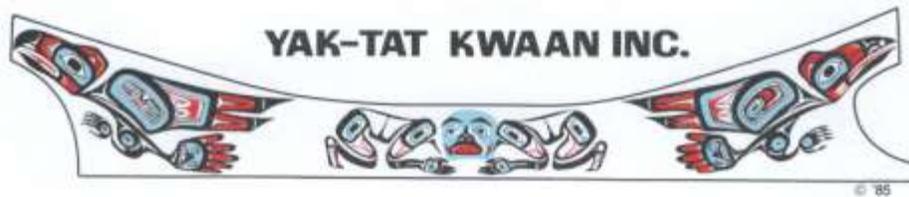
Signage and Cultural Identification Artwork

Professional services.....	<u>\$42,500.00</u>
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Total.....**\$250,000.00**

Submitted by:


Skip Ryman, Borough Manager



June 24, 2008

RE: Letter of Support, ICDBG Program Application CFDA 14.862

To Whom It May Concern:

On behalf of the Yak-Tat Kwaan and our corporation's shareholders, please accept this letter as our support for the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe's application for the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG). Our elders, many of whom are shareholders of Yak-Tat Kwaan, are held in the utmost honor and respect for what they have done for our future generations.

Yak-Tat Kwaan, Inc. has close ties to Yakutat Tlingit Tribe. We communicate closely on potential economic opportunities as well as providing office space for their offices for years. As the local ANCSA Corporation, we are committed to working closely with the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe on future projects that will benefit our native people, which include our elders.

We understand that if this grant is awarded, it will acquire a much needed senior center for our elders. We strongly believe that the current senior center lunch room does not provide the necessary room that they deserve. The extra space in a new facility would provide stable elderly programs for our elders, as well as create opportunities for new potential programs.

Our vision for our elders include providing them with stable programs that will support self-sufficiency, increase social interaction, promote cultural activities, promote intergenerational interaction, and much more. They are very limited to the programs that are offered to them largely due to the lack of space.

We firmly believe that the elders deserve a facility that reflects the pride and culture of our community. Our elders have always fought for future generations and now I would like to see us work just as diligently to establish a place for future seniors. I firmly support Yakutat Tlingit Tribe's efforts to acquire a place that will create a sense of pride among our elders and our community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shari Jensen".

Shari Jensen
President, Yak-Tat Kwaan



*Alaska Native Brotherhood-Alaska Native Sisterhood
Camp 13 - Yakutat, Alaska*



June 26, 2008

To Whom It May Concern:

The Alaska Native Brotherhood (ANB) and Alaska Native Sisterhood (ANS), Camp #13 is in full support of the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe's application for the Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG). The ANB and ANS envision a new senior facility that will host weekly social gatherings, daily food services, frequent physical therapy and medical services.

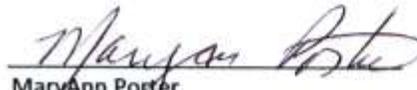
The ANB and ANS strongly feel that a New Community Senior Center is very much needed for the seniors of Yakutat. Establishing a facility for a senior center has been difficult in the past because of the facility non-ownership challenges. Our senior centers have been moved from various locations in the community and all have been inadequate; the current facility can barely host a lunch room for ten elders and the community has eighty elders with an increase in population projected for the next five to ten years.

The ANB and ANS will commit to assisting with the plans and development of the New Community Senior Center by being available in all aspect that is possible, we have always worked with the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe for the well-being of our residents. The elders of the community hold the key to the past, to the future, and it is indisputable that we, as a community, need a building for our seniors to pass and carry on their friendship and knowledge.

We highly support the Yakutat Tlingit Tribe's application for the Indian Community Development Block Grant which will, indeed, bring a positive future and better lives for our seniors.

Sincerely,


Bertrand Adams


MaryAnn Porter

*2008 ANB Bert Adams Sr. ----- President ----- MaryAnn Porter ANS
Raymond Sensmeier ----- Vice president ----- Judy Ramos
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