

**Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development****Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: The Arc of Anchorage****Federal Tax ID: 92-0028571****Project Title:****Project Type: Maintenance and Repairs**

# The Arc of Anchorage - Safety and Deferred Maintenance

**State Funding Requested: \$580,000****House District: 22 / K**

One-Time Need

**Brief Project Description:**

This project will provide safety, security, and deferred maintenance funds The Arc of Anchorage, an organization whose mission is to provide services to Alaska's citizens who experience developmental disabilities.

**Funding Plan:**

Total Project Cost:	\$580,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2012 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$580,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:*

*The Arc of Anchorage has never requested funds for safety, security, and deferred maintenance.*

**Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

The Arc of Anchorage is requesting funds from the legislature to assist with aging infrastructure needs. Since 1957, The Arc of Anchorage has provided services to children, adults, and families experiencing developmental disabilities and mental illness. Currently, The Arc serves more than 500 people a year throughout Alaska. Last year our traveling nurses made 98 trips to rural Alaska to educate families and care for children who experience complex medical conditions. Statewide, there is a great need for the services The Arc provides to Alaskans.

Deferred maintenance and security needs are outpacing revenues and The Arc's infrastructure is beginning to show the effects. In order to continue providing developmentally disabled Alaskans and their families desperately needed services, all revenue is put into services. Each year The Arc works very hard to increase donations and community investment and each year the community responds. However, in order to meet the demand, The Arc must dedicate all its resources to services, leaving very little for deferred maintenance. The Arc of Anchorage is requesting a small investment by the state in order to help crest the mountain of maintenance and safety needs.

The Arc must correct issues with the main building and several residences...soon. Issues include exterior paint, exterior security system, carpet, interior paint, roofing, and phone system. The recommended life of exterior paint is 5-6 years; the paint on the exterior of The Arc's building is 12 years old. The building's exterior is beginning to show signs of rot and decay in areas because of the lack of protective paint. The carpet in the building experiences a high volume of traffic; it was installed 12 years ago and should have been replaced 4 years ago. The interior paint is 4 years beyond the recommended life of the paint. The roof on half of the building was installed in 1974; its useful life is 20 years. The phone system is 12 years old and must be replaced. The phone system is no longer manufactured; replacement phones and parts are no longer

available. The Arc needs to replace windows in several homes where people who experience disabilities live to increase energy efficiency and safety. Two of our homes require replacement driveways. At each home, the concrete has deteriorated to the point of making them unsafe for people with limited mobility and to move people in wheelchairs.

**Project Timeline:**

The project will begin as soon as funds are received. The Arc anticipates completing the project within a year of receiving funds.

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

The Arc of Anchorage

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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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