

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Municipalities (AS 37.05.315)****Grant Recipient: Matanuska-Susitna Borough****Federal Tax ID: 92-6000034****Project Title:****Project Type: Equipment and Materials**

Matanuska-Susitna Borough - Birchtree Library

State Funding Requested: \$30,000**House District: Mat-Su Areawide (13-16)**

One-Time Need

Brief Project Description:

Funding for this project will be used to purchase library books for Birchtree Charter School.

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$30,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$0)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$30,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:**No funding history***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Birchtree is in its second year of operation and currently enrolls 289 students. Funding the cost of our library has been challenging due to the lack of start-up funds for new charter schools in Alaska. Currently, Alaska's charter school laws do not allow new Alaska charter schools to receive federal start-up funds. Therefore, Birchtree opened with no additional revenue to purchase needed start-up items (i.e. desks, text books, office supplies, furniture, etc). Providing these essential items continues to be a necessary use of our operating budget. During FY11, a legislative grant in the amount of \$30,000 was allocated to Birchtree to support the initial purchase of a library collection. An additional grant would allow us to continue the development of a collection for all of our students in grades K - 8.

Project Timeline:

Project will commence immediately upon receipt of funds.

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

Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District

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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