

Agency: Commerce, Community and Economic Development**Grants to Named Recipients (AS 37.05.316)****Grant Recipient: Kenai Peninsula Opportunitites, Inc.****Federal Tax ID: 92-025774****Project Title:****Project Type: New Construction and Land Acquisition**

Kenai Peninsula Opportunities, Inc. - Kenai Peninsula Construction Academy Covered Storage

State Funding Requested: \$200,000**House District: Kenai Areawide (33-35)**

Future Funding May Be Requested

Brief Project Description:

Construction of a covered storage area for class supplies and material, area for instructional construction projects and security fencing

Funding Plan:

Total Project Cost:	\$435,000
Funding Already Secured:	(\$235,000)
FY2013 State Funding Request:	<u>(\$200,000)</u>
Project Deficit:	\$0

*Funding Details:**FY2012 Legislative grant-\$125,000**Kenai Peninsula Economic Development District-\$50,000**AGC Contractors Construction Education Foundation-\$60,000***Detailed Project Description and Justification:**

Kenai Peninsula Construction Academy offers training to Kenai Peninsula residents in carpentry, plumbing, electrical, welding and general construction duties free of charge through a grant from the Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Over the years, the Academy was located in one of the local high schools. Due to space restrictions, the Academy has been forced to move to different locations. Most recently, classes were held in the Kenai Peninsula Economic Development District warehouse.

Funding for this project will provide for the construction of a covered storage area for the class supplies and materials, area for larger instructional construction projects and security fencing.

Project Timeline:

2012-2013

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

Kenai Peninsula Opportunities, Inc

Grant Recipient Contact Information:

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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

LEGISLATIVE REQUEST

March 6, 2012

To: The Honorable Mike Chenault, Speaker of the House of Representatives

Project: Kenai Peninsula Construction Academy Covered Storage

Amount Requested: \$200,000

Kenai Peninsula Construction Academy (KPCA) offers training to Kenai Peninsula residents in carpentry, plumbing, electrical, welding and general construction duties free of charge through a grant from the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development. Over the years, the Academy was located in one of our local high schools. Due to space restrictions, the Academy has been forced to move to different locations. Most recently classes were held in the Kenai Peninsula Economic Development District, Inc. (KPEDD) warehouse.

Last year, through a \$125,000 legislative grant KPEDD was able to construct a bare-bones facility as a permanent home for the Academy. KPEDD donated \$50,000 in materials toward the project and the Alaska General Contractors Construction Education Foundation contributed \$60,000 to complete the structure on land owned by Kenai Peninsula Opportunities. Many local contractors and supply stores provided materials at low to no cost to the project.

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Thank you for considering our request:



John Torgerson
Executive Director

Kenai Peninsula Opportunities, Inc.

\$200,000.00 funding for the construction of a covered storage area for the Kenai Peninsula Construction Academy.

The Kenai Peninsula Construction Academy offers training to residents in the field of Plumbing, Carpentry, Electronics and general construction duties. Over the years, the Academy has been co-located in one of our local High Schools. Due to space requirements, the academy has been moving to different site locations. Most recently it has been housed in the Kenai Peninsula Economic Development District warehouse.

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This funding would provide for a cover storage area for the materials purchased and the larger projects to be constructed within.