



**Municipality of Anchorage
2010 State Legislative Program
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MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE
2010 STATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM
GOALS

The goals presented herein are the program and service areas that Anchorage Mayor Dan Sullivan intends to focus in the next few years. Although not specifically mentioned, the Municipality will continue to provide basic services to the public.

Anchorage is blessed with an unsurpassed quality of life, characterized by an incredible natural setting, an abundance of park land, a world class trail system and first-rate public facilities including, Anchorage Center for the Performing Arts, Loussac Library, Sullivan Arena, the new Dena'ina Civic & Convention Center, recreation centers and much more. This quality of life is enhanced by access to quality education, good employment opportunities and a lower per capita tax structure.

Quality of Life:

The Municipality of Anchorage is committed to improving quality of life through the following:

- Maintain public facilities to a high standard to maximize recreational and cultural opportunities.
- Encourage citizen participation in sports, recreation and cultural programs.
- Promote efforts to encourage private sector support for these programs.
- Continue to provide financial support for the operations of the Anchorage Museum and Alaska Center for the Performing Arts.
- Work cooperatively with the Anchorage School District to share facilities and programs.

Public Safety:

Provide a safer community with a reduction in the level of violent crimes.

- Reduce loss of life and property from fires.
- Maintain the ISO rating.
- Respond timely to calls for paramedic and EMT assistance.
- Address the inebriate homeless problem.

Fiscal Policy:

Leave discretionary income in the hands of the public rather than government by:

- Limiting increases to property taxes;
- Limiting increases to utility rates.
- Operate within available revenues and maintain a favorable bond rating.

Energy:

Ensure stable and reliable source of energy.

- Develop an effective emergency response plan for any interruptions in supply.
- Advocate for long-term energy supplies to provide the lowest rates and greatest reliability.

Economic Development:

Provide a business-friendly local government to facilitate economic growth.

- Stabilize business taxes, implement streamlined permitting and plan review.
- Develop strategies to provide housing options that enables our workforce to continue to live in Anchorage.
- Judiciously use development tools such as tax deferrals and tax abatements to encourage new business.
- Maximize economic development efforts through the Anchorage and Eagle River Chambers, Anchorage Economic Development Corporation (AEDC) and Anchorage Convention & Visitors Bureau (ACVB).

Transportation:

Build a 21st century transportation network.

- Improve traffic flow by completing the road connectivity plan. Extend the lifecycle of roads.
- Complete the port project and market its expanded capabilities.
- Maintain existing bike trails and plow key sidewalks in winter.
- Maintain a viable public transportation system.

Community Relations:

Maintain open, professional and cordial relationships with the public.

- Achieve an organizational culture that puts a higher value on public service.
- Promote diversity awareness in the community and encourage unity in the pursuit of common goals.

Municipal Operations:

Enhance government operations to deliver quality service to the public for a reasonable cost.

- Maintain a workplace where employees are treated in a fair and equitable manner.
- Increase efficiency.
- Restructure executive branch organizations in response to current and future labor cost increases.
- Establish effective performance measurements.
- Maintain existing facilities.

Environment:

Protect the economic well-being of the city from intrusive environmental and regulatory actions.

- Enable all appropriate mechanisms to address and take action on proposed environmental regulations that pose minimal benefit to Municipal residents.
 - Solicit state funding for additional science to address the critical habitat of the Cook Inlet Beluga Whale and its Endangered Species Listing.
 - Analyze the impact of the proposed rule of the Environmental Protection Agency to monitor and regulate carbon emissions.

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TOP LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

- ✓ The Municipality of Anchorage strongly supports all efforts to maximize oil production to maintain Trans Alaska Pipeline Service (TAPS) viability.
- ✓ The Municipality of Anchorage strongly supports efforts to build and operate gas storage in the Cook Inlet basin to foster long-term investment and stability in markets.
- ✓ The Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) supports revenue sharing to the maximum extent possible.
- ✓ The MOA supports full funding of the current Public Employees Retirement System (PERS), and is opposed to any legislation that increases its costs and the state or local municipality liability.
- ✓ The MOA recognizes the importance of the 22 percent ceiling on local governments' financial responsibility for PERS contributions.
- ✓ The MOA supports legislation that would encourage energy exploration, production, and conservation efforts.
- ✓ The MOA supports a statutory prohibition of state unfunded mandates passed down to municipalities. The MOA strongly urges the state to take financial responsibility for the mandated state PERS/TRS cost increases, the mandated Senior Citizen/Disabled Veteran Property Tax Exemption, and the exemption of state-owned property that shifts the costs of protecting and serving state facilities to local taxpayers. The MOA urges the legislature to resist passing mandates about how local governments can spend money.
- ✓ The Municipality of Anchorage supports the construction of a turn lane to Portage Creek at Mile 79 of the Seward Highway.*

*As amended as January 12, 2010 assembly meeting.

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OTHER LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

With the aforementioned goals in mind, other issues supported by the Municipality of Anchorage include:

Public Safety

- Statute change to require AIDS testing of defendants in sexual assault cases from seven days to 48-hours to increase the successful conviction rate for crimes committed, and to maximize grant opportunities.
- Require ignition interlocks as an additional deterrent to previous Operating Under the Influence (OUI) offenders and to address a discrepancy between existing sections within A.S.28.35.030 that has created uncertainty regarding mandatory minimum penalties in such sentences.
- Increase fines for violating traffic laws from \$300 to \$500 to address inflation (it has been 25-years since the fine has increased).

Fiscal Policy:

- Allow political subdivisions to recoup a portion of the costs of legal review of documents prior to release, in response to a public records request.
- Support reauthorization of debt reimbursement for school construction.

Facility improvements and maintenance

- Increase fines for those who destroy or deface public property.

Local control

- Oppose legislation that hinders termination of the I/M program in Anchorage.
- Allow for local decision-making when requiring sprinklers in certain limited or special situation residential occupancies.
- Support legislation changing state policy from “opt-in” to “opt-out” for school districts conducting the At Risk Youth Behavior Survey, or substantially similar data collection. The information is necessary for local allocation of resources.*

Energy

- Support modernization of Railbelt electrical transmission facilities.

Behavioral Health

- Support increases in Medicaid reimbursement rates. Modify grant funding formula regulations based on patient load at the local level.*

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OPERATING REQUESTS

The Municipality of Anchorage requests the following operating funds, consistent with the mayor's priorities:

Municipal Operations:

- Payment for utility cost increases of streetlights on Alaska Department of Transportation (ADOT) streets currently paid by Anchorage residents. "TORA", with ADOT, is underfunded and subsidized by Anchorage taxpayers for the benefit of public safety. (Additional fund request: \$400,997). (See attachment E).

Public Safety:

Despite a 2002 increase in state alcohol taxes, state funding for alcohol treatment programs has remained flat or declined in the intervening years. The Municipality of Anchorage therefore supports increased funding for alcohol-related mitigation, such as:

- Funding of Domestic Violence Prevention Project. This is a new request to the state as federal funding is slated to expire in August 2010. Without the appropriation, there will be a loss of capacity. The project has demonstrated success; the legal team is more effectively able to follow-up and prosecute defendants who violate their Conditions of Release (contacting the victim, for example). Getting the defendants into court as early as possible prevents repeat offenses. Prosecuting them for violating the conditions of their release reduces the incidences of repeated violence upon victims. Fund request: \$335,264.
- Funding of Pathways to Sobriety project. This is a new request to the state as federal funding expired in April 2009. Without the appropriation, there will be a reduction in services for chronic homeless public inebriates. The project provides, referral and linkage to veterans services, detox, coordination with therapeutic court, access to substance abuse treatment groups, case management services for up to 24 months, and housing. Fund request: \$572,038.
- Support funding and continuation of Clitheroe Specialized Treatment Unit for substance detoxification services. Fund request TBD.
- Timely justice is important to community safety and offender rehabilitation. Increase funding for the state criminal justice system, including judges, prosecutors and public defenders. Under the rubric "justice delayed is justice denied", the longer it takes to get the bring offenders in and prosecute them, the more opportunity for additional acts of violence.

Support specific State of Alaska (SOA) department requests that have direct benefit to MOA:

- Support State of Alaska Department of Health & Social Services/DPH/Section of Public Health Nursing operating budget increase to provide greater parity in funding Anchorage's Community Health Nursing grant. Anchorage's grant has remained essentially flat for past 10-years, with less than 4 percent of the statewide budget allocated for Anchorage's public health nursing. Funds requested will provide grant support, bringing Anchorage up to approximately 6 percent of the statewide budget, resulting in more equitable payment for services provided. (Fund request: \$600,000).
- Request funding for Forensic Nursing Services for victims of sexual assault. This is a new state request as federal funding may expire, and the state requires this service be offered. Funding will result in greater success of criminal prosecution of sexual assault offenders and will maintain the existing level of service for victims including, care at an out-of-hospital clinic site where they can receive care and counseling, and follow-up exams. (Fund request: \$350,000).
- Request budget increment for increased funding of Human Services Community Matching Grant (HSCMG) for Anchorage through the existing SOA DHSS Operating Budget Grants & Contracts. The grant provides essential human services through private nonprofits. State allocated funds in the past four years (FY07-FY10) have remained unchanged but needs have grown. (Fund request: FY10 allocation of \$910,489 + increase of \$915,077, for a total of \$1,825,566).
- Request state funding for intake officers at McLaughlin Youth Center. When a juvenile offender is referred to McLaughlin Youth Center, Juvenile Probation Officers (JPO) provide referrals to other "Making a Difference" component programs as appropriate. JPOs continue to supervise offenders through the diversion/accountability process and work with families toward prevention of further delinquent activity. These funds will provide portions of salaries of three JPOs. (Fund request: \$142,000).

Other:

- Senior Needs Assessment and Area plan. Anchorage's 65 and older population is growing by five times the U.S. average, and the number could triple by 2020. There is a need for coordinated services but data is necessary. It is prudent to conduct a full needs assessment in collaboration with Department of Health & Human Services Senior Services and Senior Citizen Advisory Commission to collect data to develop a long-term strategic plan for senior services in Anchorage. This funding request is for both a Needs Assessment and Strategic Plan development. (Fund request: \$100,000).
- Local Public Transit Services. Alaska is one of only two states not providing operating funds for local public transit service. The Municipality of Anchorage supports the establishment of a statewide pool allocated to communities under a formula or ratio based on ridership, or some similar standard.*

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**ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
CAPITAL PRIORITIES**

The Municipality of Anchorage supports the following economic and community development capital projects:

PORT EXPANSION: Funding for the completion of the north extension of the Port of Anchorage Intermodal Expansion project. Total project cost for marine terminal redevelopment is \$750 million. Partners are SOA, MOA, POA and port stakeholders. Completion of the north extension will move current container and general cargo operations off the old facility and begin demolition of old infrastructure. Surface transportation design documents are complete, ready to bid with all authorizing permits in place. Construction schedule in 2010 includes final construction of required surface improvements for intermodal operations and transportation connections; and installation of utilities, securities features, etc. Completion will also allow the Port of Anchorage to accept delivery of three new cranes purchased by Horizon Lines for cargo operations. (Funding request, \$20,000,000). See attachments A-B.

ALASKA CRIME LAB: A new State crime lab will greatly enhance public safety in the Municipality of Anchorage and statewide by providing timelier processing of critical crime scene evidence, particularly that involving DNA. DNA evidence is of tremendous significance in the investigation and prosecution of sexual crimes, which persistently plague both the Municipality and the State. Presently, it can take critical time for DNA evidence to be tested locally due to restrictions in facilities and staff to test it. This could potentially allow a serial sexual offender, who would otherwise be caught promptly, to continue victimizing citizens for years before DNA results are returned. In some high-profile cases, DNA evidence is sent at great expense to labs in the Lower 48 for timelier processing. This requires experts associated with that testing to come to Alaska to testify at trial, which also adds expense to prosecutions. A new State crime lab will help in both regards, both speeding up local DNA testing and eliminating the need to send evidence outside for testing. The project will serve to make the entire law enforcement community more effective and efficient, and ultimately, protect citizen safety. In 2008, \$100 million in GO Bonds were proposed (Funding request, \$75 million)

INTERGOVERNMENTAL DATA CENTER: The MOA has a large data center facility in West Anchorage, the Dimond Data Center (DDC), where conditioned data storage space is significantly surplus to MOA requirements. The Anchorage School District (ASD) is seeking new data center space with added capacity and security. The State of Alaska's (SOA) current data center in Anchorage is in urgent need of facility remediation and reconfiguration or relocation. This project is a collaboration between ASD, MOA, and SOA, in which the DDC will be upgraded and reconfigured to house the data centers of all three agencies in a single, secure, conditioned facility, thereby realizing savings and operating efficiencies for all.

Within the same building and adjacent to the data center is the police training facility (a.k.a. Dimond Training Center), used by the Anchorage Police Department and more than 20 stakeholder groups including, state and federal law enforcement agencies. The training centers' condition was identified as "in need of renovation" in the Arctic Public Safety Training Institute Strategic Business Plan (2007). The Police Training Center will be the beneficiary of much-needed core and shell system upgrades and interior repairs as part of this project. (Funding request \$TBD)

GIRDWOOD INDUSTRIAL PARK: The community of Girdwood is in need of an established industrial site available for light to medium scale industrial uses including, heavy equipment storage, sand and gravel storage, space for impounded vehicles and a small bus barn for the local transit shuttle. The need for an industrial site in the Girdwood Valley is established given the intense interest by community and individuals. The need is increasing as the population of the valley and Alyeska Resort grows. (Funding request, \$4,600,000)

UAA SPORTS COMPLEX: Funding to complete the University of Alaska Anchorage Sports Complex. See attachments C & D.

Department of the Health and Human Services Building:

The Department of Health and Human Services building (825 L St) is an aging facility and no longer capable of supporting the provision of needed services. Studies of the future of the facility have repeatedly found that it must either be extensively remodeled or replaced. The Municipal Health and Human Services Commission has set this as one of their top priorities for the last few years. A final feasibility and conceptual planning study could be completed. (Funding request, \$ 500,000)*

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CAPITAL PRIORITY REQUESTS
ANCHORAGE FIRE DEPARTMENT (AFD)

The MOA encourages financial support of the following capital priority requests.

	House District	Funding Request
<p>Station 6 (Muldoon) rebuild. Fire Station 6 is one of the oldest and busiest stations in the city, answering 3,685 calls for emergency assistance in 2008. The facility was built circa 1970 as a temporary replacement for the old "volunteer" station. The existing facility faces constant septic, water and electrical problems and structurally, it barely accommodates an ambulance and there is just 1-inch of clearance for the Engine on either side, and eight-feet of room to the rear, where the preference is 24-feet. Additionally, this station responds to calls in the Muldoon area, which is among the fastest-growing areas of Anchorage.</p>	16	\$6,000,000
<p>Station 9 (Huffman) Renovation Fire Station 9 has near-weekly heating and septic challenges. It was built with Project '80s dollars to meet the growing demands of the southside of Anchorage that has grown exponentially since. Responses have grown five-fold since initial construction. Renovation would also expand living quarters, build an apparatus bay and replace dormitory sleeping quarters with individual sleeping rooms.</p>	31, 32	\$5,000,000
<p>Wildfire mitigation funding and operational funding for seasonal helicopter. Funding will allow proactive removal of dead birch trees on the Anchorage Hillside and leasing of a wildfire suppression helicopter during the vulnerable summer season.</p>	Areawide	\$500,000
<p>New light rescue boat and existing boat repair for Cook Inlet water rescue team, specifically for Seward Highway response. There is no backup for the current NIAD watercraft. Cook Inlet water rescue is not a primary function of AFD; however, due to lack of resources by other entities and agencies, the Anchorage Fire department does respond to calls.</p>	Areawide	\$100,000

<p>Power Watercraft rescue board and training for Water Rescue Team for Turnagain Arm.</p> <p>Anchorage Fire Department responds to Cook Inlet water rescues off Chugach State Park for individuals (windsurfers and kite borders). These rescues occur outside of the fire service area and should ideally be the responsibility of a state agency. If AFD continues to respond to these rescues because other agencies do not, the state should provide the tools for AFD to accomplish the rescues as they are often time, tide-height and access sensitive, and do not allow for a lengthy boat launching operation. Funding purchases two watercraft and a tow trailer for Cook Inlet response.</p>	<p>32 \$22,000</p>
<p>Backcountry/Inlet rescue training equipment for Fire Stations 10 and 11 in Chugach State Park and other state lands.</p> <p>Anchorage Fire Department (AFD) is routinely called to provide backcountry and swift water rescue services within Chugach State Park. This is outside of the scope of regular fire service duties and outside of the Municipality of Anchorage since rescues occur on state lands. AFD has an agreement with the state that should provide for training and reimbursement for search and rescue activities.</p>	<p>Areawide \$100,000</p>
<p>Replacement hearse and auto extrication equipment.</p> <p>Funding will replace worn pumps, shears, spreaders and hydraulic equipment.</p>	<p>Anchorage Fire Service Area \$200,000</p>
<p>Air Equipment for Girdwood Fire Department</p> <p>Funding will replace all 25 air packs to meet new national safety standards and to maintain compatibility with Anchorage Fire Department and Chugiak Volunteer Fire Department as they migrate to a new compliant SCBA system.</p>	<p>32 \$175,000</p>
<p>Air Equipment for Chugiak Volunteer Fire Department</p> <p>This project will replace the entire inventory of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus, bringing the Chugiak Fire Department up to new national safety standards and will maintain compatibility with Anchorage Fire Department and Chugiak Volunteer Fire Department as they migrate to a new compliant SCBA system.</p>	<p>16, 17, 18, 25 \$420,000</p>
<p>Light rescue rig for Station 9 with accompanying equipment for Seward Highway response.</p> <p>AFD Station 9 provides fire and emergency services along the Seward Hwy corridor. Funding will provide a dedicated motor vehicle rescue apparatus to be cross-staffed by Engine 9 personnel. Rescue 9 is inadequate to hold specialized extrication equipment needed for complex incidents involving multiple vehicles.</p>	<p>\$500,000</p>

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ANCHORAGE POLICE DEPARTMENT (APD)

	House District	Funding Request
<p>Southcentral Law Enforcement Tactical Range This range will be a dedicated outdoor shooting facility with four individual ranges of different sizes to accommodate various firearms and simultaneous training of multiple agencies. Current long-gun training occurs at one available private range and Fort Richardson Army Post; however, demand for time by primary users of the facilities have left Anchorage law enforcement without a reliable location to conduct proficiency and tactical training leaving them less prepared to protect the public thereby opening individual officers and their agencies to unnecessary civil liability. The facility will be available to other law enforcement entities, including Alaska State Troopers.</p>	Areawide	\$13,000,000
<p>APD Headquarters Dispatch/Computer Room Air Conditioning Funding will provide air conditioning redundancy in event of primary equipment failure and maintenance. Presently at shutdown, the existing room temperature will reach a critical point in less than two hours at which point operating systems will begin to fail, including E-911, radio dispatch, mobile data and police record systems. The existing equipment is more than 20-years-old.</p>	Areawide	\$250,000

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CAPITAL PRIORITY REQUESTS
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

	House District	Funding Request
<p>U-Med District Multi-Modal Improvements Phase II Phase II construction funding will improve five bus stops, add a mid-block pedestrian crossing and create eight-foot walkways adjacent to Providence Drive on the east side of campus. It will also provide traffic control at the intersection of Providence and Spirit Drives, a crossing point for the Chester Creek trail system. More than half of People Mover's daily bus trips in the Anchorage Bowl travel through this area (70,000 people daily, on average).</p>	Areawide	\$3,700,000
<p>Transit Fleet Expansion/Replacement This grant will provide partial funds to replace 16 aging People Mover buses and 16 Anchor RIDES wheelchair-accessible vehicles.</p>	Areawide	\$4,655,000
<p>Mat-Su, Eagle River, Anchorage, Girdwood Commuter Vanpool Vehicles This grant will allow for replacement of vanpool vehicles. The Share-A-Ride program that promotes this service removes more than 200,000 auto trips from the Glenn and Seward Highways annually. The request replaces up to 12 vanpool vehicles that are operating beyond their useful life that is 4-6 years. Currently, 53 vans bring almost 900 commuters into and out of the Anchorage Bowl each week. There is a waiting list of more than 500 people who want to join a vanpool but cannot due to lack of vehicles. The Mat-Su Borough has included a similar request in its Capital Improvement Program of \$500,000 to expand the vanpool fleet, which would bring the total to 65 active vanpools.</p>	Areawide	\$500,000

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ANCHORAGE PARKS & RECREATION

	House District	Funding Request
<p>Recreation Facilities Upgrades Phase II Funding improvements include, life-safety upgrades such as emergency and functional lighting, door alarms, ceiling tile repair and replacements, communication and electrical wiring. Fairview Recreation Center needs functional design improvements and Spenard Recreation Center improvements will include design for expansion. These facilities receive nearly 700,000 visitors each year, and both recreation centers and three outdoor chalets that are more than 20-years-old, have not received routine, normal upgrades/improvements and are deficient in health and safety standards. They are deficient in meeting normal operating standards, and are in need of immediate repair.</p>	Areawide	\$1,000,000
<p>Areawide Trails Funds from this grant will be combined with Anchorage Park Foundation monies and municipal bonds to implement a multi-year, comprehensive repair program to address serious safety and security concerns on 250-miles of paved greenbelt trails. The plan elements will include the rehabilitation/replacement of existing trails and bridges, asphalt patching, resurfacing, amenity upgrades and signage/way finding.</p>	Areawide	\$1,000,000
<p>Multi-Use Athletic Fields Funds will be used to match municipal, private and Rasmuson Foundation contributions to rehabilitate existing fields to a reasonable standard for all users and increase park amenities to offer quality statewide and local spectator and player use.</p>	Areawide	\$1,000,000
<p>Neighborhood Parks Funding will implement the comprehensive playground and neighborhood park upgrades approved in a 2007 Park bond. This is part of a multi-year request that will systematically complete all neighborhood parks in the next six-years and leverage a combination of private, Rasmuson Foundation, municipal and state funding. It includes a request for the Anchorage Accessible Park (Cuddy Midtown Park)</p>	Areawide	\$675,000

<p>Russian Jack Springs Park, Muldoon Community Park, Far North Bicentennial Park Phase II, Delaney Park Phase II, Margaret Eagan Sullivan Park (Westchester Lagoon)</p> <p>Funds will provide safety upgrades and trailhead and parking improvements, enhanced way-finding and interpretive signage, public amenities, landscape buffers and enhanced lighting at community parks across Anchorage.</p>	<p>19, 22 Areawide \$2,400,000</p>
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MUNICIPAL FACILITIES RENEWAL/M&O

	House District	Funding Request
<p>Sullivan Arena Facility Upgrades Capital renovations are necessary to protect the State's original investment in this facility that was completed 27-years-ago. Fire and security systems are necessary for continued public safety; exterior and interior renovations are necessary to protect the facility, and various mechanical upgrades are necessary as original systems age and parts become obsolete. Specifically, funding in 2010 will replace HVAC control systems, replace interior waterlines, paint the exterior and increase sprinkler bracing.</p>	Areawide	\$1,600,000
<p>Dempsey Anderson Ice Arena Upgrades The Dempsey Anderson Ice Arena was completed in 1983. The original refrigeration system is aging and costly to repair with parts becoming obsolete. An upgrade to newer system components is needed to insure that the facility can continue to be used for its intended purpose.</p>	Areawide	\$250,000
<p>Ben Boeke Ice Arena Upgrades Funding will upgrade necessary fire and security systems for public safety; provide exterior and interior renovations, including refrigeration system repairs on Rink 1, restroom upgrades, men's restroom code upgrades and video surveillance that will benefit the 10 youth hockey teams, two figure skating clubs, four adult hockey associations, 116 adult recreational hockey teams, open skate and learn-to-skate program users, and statewide athletes participating in tournaments and competitions.</p>	Areawide	\$300,000
<p>Chugiak Senior Center Upgrades Chugiak Senior Center is in need of covered parking and plug-ins for its facility users, many of whom are physically fragile and highly susceptible to the dangers of the Alaskan cold. Funding provides for safety of elderly population during inclement weather (\$200,000); replacement <i>Meals on Wheels</i> van that will increase availability for delivering meals and insure food is kept at safe temperatures (\$30,000); an emergency generator because the current system is not adequate to meet the needs of the building or its residents, and it will provide for safety and well-being of its predominantly elderly and frail population, many of whom are dependent on oxygen (\$425,000); and construction and renovation of an assisted living facility, including installation of a small kitchen (\$85,000).</p>	Areawide, 16	\$740,000

<p>Anchorage Senior Center Upgrades The Anchorage Senior Center has identified equipment essential to the maintenance of its building and delivery of core services to its senior population (\$100,000). It is also in-need of technology upgrades as current operations are outdated and inefficient hampering the ability of staff to deliver services effectively and safety (this request includes installation of new computer system); a phone system and repairs to emergency call system (\$20,000); installation of energy efficient lighting for the interior and exterior that will enhance safety when accessing the building and decreasing overall operational costs (\$300,000); and a standby generator that enhances the capacity of the center to maintain operations and provide sheltering (\$350,000).</p>	<p>Areawide, 23 \$770,000</p>
<p>Loussac Library Upgrades More than 10 million users have visited the Loussac Library since its completion in 1986. Reconstruction is necessary to meet the needs of facility users; and the entry, stairs and patio are deteriorating and in need of reconstruction to avoid future public safety issues.</p>	<p>Areawide \$4,650,000</p>
<p>Fleet Maintenance Heavy Duty Shop The Municipality of Anchorage would like to purchase the existing Fleet Maintenance Facility located at 4333 Bering Street. It is currently rented under a triple-net lease agreement.</p>	<p>Areawide \$5,000,000</p>
<p>Major Municipal Facility Upgrade Projects - Deferred Since 2004 when annual State grant funding for various Municipality of Anchorage facilities was discontinued, the MOA has used local funds for buildings needing repair; however, demand now exceeds capacity. Funds are requested to complete a building condition inventory, provide emergency mechanical and electrical repairs, do emergency roof repair and refurbish exteriors and provide parking lot/paving repairs.</p>	<p>Areawide \$1,682,000</p>
<p>Major Municipal Facility Fire Alarm System Replacement This grant will replace aged front-end fire alarm systems at selected major facilities. The replacement is necessary because of the unavailability of replacement parts, the use of hard wiring instead of fiber optics or wireless, and the cost of repairs to the aging systems.</p>	<p>Areawide \$500,000</p>
<p>Performing Arts Center Upgrades While a major roof renovation occurred three years ago, problems remain with parapet capping which needs to be addressed to protect the roof and the building. Additionally, funds will provide replacement alarm systems and fire curtains, replacement cooling system frequency drives, replacement heating pumps and upgrades to security cameras.</p>	<p>Areawide \$732,000</p>

<p>Street Maintenance - Northwood</p> <p>This warm storage facility provides 60,000 square-feet for approximately 104 pieces of heavy equipment. It was constructed over the old Northwood landfill. As garbage decomposes the floor, floor drain and methane recovery systems are sinking into the landfill. The structural system that ties the facility together is also failing. Funds are proposed to remove the existing floor system, install additional steel piling, and install a new drain and methane recovery system that will be supported by the new structural floor system, alleviating the problem from future occurrence.</p>	<p>Areawide \$3,000,000</p>
<p>Transit Maintenance Facility Roof Replacement</p> <p>Funds will replace the roof that is currently leaking.</p>	<p>Areawide \$3,000,000</p>
<p>Underground Contaminated Site Remediation</p> <p>The once accepted practice of storing hazardous petroleum products in single-walled underground storage vessels has resulted in a number of sites where the vessels or their distribution systems have been compromised, resulting in loss of petroleum products to the ground. These sites are in need of cleanup. Four major underground sites have been identified needing remediation: The Brother Francis Shelter compound, Bering Street fleet maintenance ship complex, Transit Maintenance complex and Loussac Library. The Brother Francis Shelter will receive priority for cleanup, based on funding availability.</p>	<p>Areawide \$750,000</p>