

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**FUNDING REQUEST FOR NON-PROFIT RECREATION ORGANIZATIONS**

ORGANIZATION NAME: Little Bears Playhouse PHONE: 907-783-2116

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PROJECT TITLE: Little Bears Playhouse, Inc.

GVSA FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$ 10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM COST FOR 2024: \$ 402,594

1. Non-profit corporation? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, please list formal non-profit fiscal sponsorship entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Responsibility for contract administration, meeting reporting requirements and insurance remain the responsibility of the organization applying for the grant.

Date of incorporation: 11/12/1987 Federal Tax ID# [REDACTED]

2. Organization's estimated TOTAL 2024 Operating Budget: \$ 402,594

Previous Parks & Recreation Grant Funding:

Previous Other MOA Grant Funding:

2021 \$ 9020.00

2021 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2022 \$ 9640.00

2022 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2023 \$ 9460.00

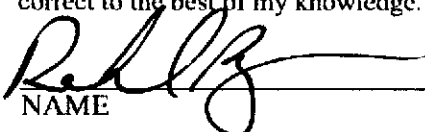
2023 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

3. How was previous grant funding from GVSA Non-Profit Recreation grants used?

Previous grant funding received from the GVSA Non-Profit Recreation grants were used to fund program supplies and ongoing staff training.

**CERTIFICATION** (must be signed by an AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, who per your by-laws, has the authority to sign contracts or other legal documents on behalf of your organization)

I certify that the information contained in this application, including all attachments and supporting materials, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

  
NAME

Executive Director  
TITLE

08/08/2023  
DATE

## PROJECT INFORMATION

ORGANIZATION NAME Little Bears Playhouse, Inc

Project Title: Little Bears Playhouse, Inc

Complete sections below. **Additional space to complete comments is on page 4, if needed.**

1. Summarize the project you are proposing. Include primary goals and objectives.

Little Bears Playhouse serves Girdwood, and the surrounding valleys, with an essential need of year-round childcare.

Our early learning center is committed to providing an intentional, nurturing learning environment for the children of our community. We are requesting money for program supplies for local artist engagements and ongoing training for our staff. Training will include new activities for staff to engage with children that will promote healthy living, an appreciation for the arts, and the cultivation of a passion for engaging in gardening to sustain this recreation throughout their life. Our continued goal is to provide a nurturing and engaging environment, that meets the current standards of an early learning center, as we provide quality early childhood experiences for all members of our Little Bears community, at affordable rates.

2. What evaluation criteria will be used to determine if goals and objectives have been met? Be specific.

The evaluation criteria that will be used to determine if goals and objectives were met, will be the uninterrupted or altered services that will be delivered to our community. Goals are assessed annually through a survey given to our members.

Members are encouraged to sit in on Board meetings and to discuss any concerns they may have. Curriculum and child development objectives are assessed throughout the year. Our financial objectives will always present with our profit and loss spreadsheet at the end of the fiscal year.

3. Describe why the project to be funded under this proposal is needed and how it will benefit the community. Is this a new or existing project? Is there unmet need or population that will be served with this project?

Little Bears Playhouse has been operating as a licensed child care facility within our Girdwood community for 40 years. Our school is enrolled at full capacity, with 17 children on our waitlist. We are committed to providing our community the highest quality of early childhood education. We are the only licensed child care provider, opened year round, within the Girdwood community.

Our center is licensed for children 12 months to 9 years old, allowing us to accommodate school-aged children when we have the ability to. Inflation has caused our program to see a huge increase in operational costs, leading to the need to pay our staff a higher wage to assist with the constant increase in housing/living costs within our community. Due to these circumstances, we have

4. Provide a brief history of your organization, especially as it relates to Girdwood Parks and Recreation.

Little Bears Playhouse has been licensed/operated as a child care facility since 1983. Our early learning center provides high-quality child care for the children of the Girdwood community, and beyond. Our facility is currently located in the Girdwood Community building, which is managed by the Municipality of Anchorage Parks and Recreation Department. Our school gives our youngest members of our community a space to develop fine and gross motor skills, positive peer relationships, an intentional curriculum that is developmentally appropriate, and new experiences that promote healthy living choices.

5. Explain how the proposed project meets the definition of recreation stated in the information packet.

Little Bears Playhouse directly benefits children by providing a safe, and nurturing environment that allows for age-appropriate activities that foster physical, emotional, social, and academic development. Our staff is trained to provide an intentional and developmentally appropriate curriculum that aids in the development of motor skills, social skills, emotional development, art appreciation, and healthy living skills. Our children are engaged and exposed to a curriculum that follows their interests and naturally inspires them to engage with open-ended materials to increase their knowledge, quality of life, and aid in their school readiness. Our center also provides direct and indirect opportunities for family members to participate in recreational activities (gardening, local artist projects), increasing their own quality of life.

6. Is this project year-round, seasonal, or a one-time event? year-round

Scheduled start date: N/A

Scheduled end date: N/A

7. Where will this project take place? What facilities will it use?

This project will take place in our current facility in the Girdwood Community building, next to Glacier City Hall.

Little Bears Playhouse also uses the Girdwood Community Playground and the Gerrish Branch Library.

8. How many people including participants, volunteers and staff, will participate in the project and for how many hours?

Number of Project Participants	<u>102</u>	total participant hours	<u>100</u>
Number of Project Volunteers	<u>14</u>	total volunteer hours	<u>100</u>
Number of Project Paid Staff	<u>10</u>	total paid staff hours	<u>2000</u>

Total Number of participants, volunteers and staff: 126

Total number of project hours, overall: 2200

9. Source of volunteers (parents, members, professionals, etc):

Volunteers come from our Board of Directors, which is made of local community members and parents, from an extensive professional background. Little Bears also has parents and community members who donate their time through a multitude of activities, ranging from art projects, maintenance and repairs, community garden, and the new building committee.

Types of services provided by volunteers:

Our volunteers provide services in grant writing, policy and program development, fundraising, manual labor, networking, administrative tasks, and working directly with the children enrolled in Little Bears.

10. Participant cost:

Organization Membership fee:	\$ 100 per family
Project Participation fee:	\$ 100
Other Fees or Dues:	\$ _____

Total Cost per participant: \$ 200

11. GVSA cannot guarantee full funding requested by the grantee. Please explain how the project manager can adapt if funding amount for this project is less than the amount requested:

If Little Bears was not able to receive the full funding of this grant, myself and the Board of Directors would need to reassess our fiscal budget for the year and begin to reduce the amount of funding spent on program supplies and reduce hours of employment for our current staff. This adjustment to program supplies and staff employment will negatively impact our program as we will not be able to provide the highest quality of services for the children enrolled in our center. If we are not able to receive funds from this grant, Little Bears will need to implement another increase in tuition rates and potentially apply

12. Any other comments you would like to make about this program?

Little Bears Playhouse supports children directly with physical recreation, academics, nutrition, social and emotional development while providing an essential service to working families. The funds requested will help avoid additional financial stress on many families with children in the Girdwood area, as well as our long standing business. Research continues to show that a quality early childhood experience is absolutely critical to healthy development and future success in life. Little Bears Playhouse is honored to provide this necessary service for our community and our children. Thank you for considering our request.

Please use the space below if needed to complete prior answers. Indicate topic number (1-12) and complete:

3. had to seek outside funding sources to assist our school in being able to continue to offer high quality childcare at an affordable rate for our community.

11. extra fees (i.e., material fees) to assist the school with purchasing high quality, developmentally appropriate materials. This increase in tuition and extra fees will create financial hardship for our community in making our services unaffordable for some, leading to a negative confounding effect on businesses in our community. Without this funding, Little Bears staff will also be unable to complete their trainings, which support designated recreation activities, paid for to assist our staff in providing the most current, and highest quality of care for our students in the designated areas of gardening, art, and recreation activities. Without this funding, Little Bears will still be able to operate and serve the community, but not at it's highest potential. This will cause a negative impact on the overall quality of our program as our supplies and staff will be reduced to accommodate this decrease in funds.



# OPERATING EXPENSES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT (Budget Form #1)

ORGANIZATION NAME: Little Bears Playhouse, Inc

Project Title: Little Bears Playhouse, IN

This proposed project budget covers the period of 01/01/2024 to 12/31/2024 in  
the calendar year of 2024.

<u>Project Expenses</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>	<u>Budget</u>
<b>PROJECT STAFF:</b>		<u>\$ 348,324.24</u>
Salaries	<u>\$307,470</u>	
Employee benefits	<u>\$6,640</u>	
Payroll taxes	<u>\$29,544.24</u>	
Training	<u>\$1,148</u>	
Other: <u>Workman's Comp</u>	<u>\$3522</u>	
<b>PROJECT SUPPLIES/SERVICES:</b>		<u>\$ 23,300</u>
Operating	<u>\$22,900</u>	
supplies Office	<u>\$400</u>	
Printing/Publication	<u></u>	
Equipment Purchase/Rental	<u></u>	
Other: <u></u>	<u></u>	
<b>PROJECT FACILITY</b>		<u>\$ 14935.12</u>
Rental & Utilities	<u>\$10,935.12</u>	
Maintenance	<u>4000</u>	
Other: <u></u>	<u></u>	
<b>PROJECT TRANSPORTATION</b>		<u>\$ 0</u>
Organization Owned	<u>0</u>	
vehicles	<u></u>	
Rental vehicles	<u>0</u>	
Private vehicles	<u>0</u>	
Other: <u></u>	<u>0</u>	
<b>OVERHEAD EXPENSE</b>		<u>\$ 16,034.64</u>
Portion of total organization's costs charged to this project, i.e., administration expense, space/rent/utilities, insurance, professional fees, etc.		
<b>TOTAL COST FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT:</b>		<u>\$ 402,594</u>

**FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT** (Budget Form #2)ORGANIZATION NAME: Little Bears Playhouse, IncProject Title: Little Bears Playhouse, IncThis proposed project budget covers the period of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ *in the calendar year 2024.*

<u>Sources of Project Funding</u>	<u>Goal Amount</u>	<u>Committed (Yes/No)</u>
Parent Organization	\$ <u>1,000</u>	<u>No</u>
Gifts and Contributions	\$ <u>1,200</u>	<u>No</u>
Membership Dues	\$ <u>4200</u>	<u>No</u>
Fees & Charges to participants	\$ <u>373,144</u>	<u>No</u>

List private sector funding. Specify source, amount, and date of award:

<u>N/A</u>	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

List any other Government Agency Funding (MOA, SOA, or Federal). Specify source, funding amount and date of award:

<u>Child Care Grant</u>	\$ <u>5,568</u>	<u>Yes</u>
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

List fundraisers held by your organization. Specify event, funding amount generated, and date of event:

<u>Barnelopet, January 2024</u>	\$ <u>3500</u>	<u>No</u>
<u>Fun Run, August 2024</u>	\$ <u>3,982</u>	<u>No</u>
_____	\$ _____	_____

List the in-kind support your organization receives and the approximate value:

<u>N/A</u>	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

Subtotal of Financial Support for this project: \$ 392,594Supplemental Funding Granted from MOA Parks & Recreation: \$ 10,000**TOTAL FUNDING FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT:** \$ 402,594

*NOTE: Financial support should meet or exceed anticipated project expenditures. If it does not, you must provide an explanation. If the financial support is expected to exceed the expenditures by a substantial amount, please provide an explanation as to why grant funds are being requested for this project.*

**NON-PROFIT FUNDING APPLICATION EVALUATION WORKSHEET**  
**for Budget Year 2024**

A. ORGANIZATION NAME:	Little Bears Playhouse
B. PROJECT TO BE FUNDED:	Little Bears Playhouse
C. GVSA RECREATION GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024:	10,000
D. ANTICIPATED TOTAL ORGANIZATION OPERATING BUDGET:	402,594
E. GRANT PROJECT BUDGET:	402,594
F. PERCENT OF REQUESTED VS. TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (C/E):	2.5%
G. NUMBER TO BE SERVED BY PROJECT:	102 participants, 14 volunteers, 10 staff 126 total
H. REQUESTED GRANT MONEY PER PARTICIPANT C/G):	\$79.37

**RATING WORKSHEET:** Please rate the following categories according to the indicated scales, with 1 being the lowest, and 5 being the highest. Additional space is given to provide comments about your evaluation of each categories and an overall impression of the grant request.

1. Project description is logical and easily understood  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
2. Application addresses evaluation criteria listed in the grant and evaluation Instructions (purpose, management, community support, specifics and appearance).  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
3. Application demonstrated need for this project  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
4. Project meets definition of "recreation" as outlined in grant and evaluation Instructions.  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
5. Number to be served by the project  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
6. Fees are reasonable  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Participation not restricted by membership requirements  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Project has volunteer support  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Facilities are adequate for purposed use  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Project manager demonstrates resilience if funding does not match request  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
11. Initiative to seek other funding  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
12. Project does not duplicate services otherwise available in Girdwood  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
13. Track record of organization  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
14. Completeness and/or content of the application  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Comment of the project for grant funding:

Recommended Funding Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Evaluator \_\_\_\_\_

# Growing With Little Bears Playhouse, Inc.

Girdwood, Alaska  
October 23, 2023





# Little Bears Focus

## **Little Bears Playhouse Vision:**

*All children and families have access to high quality childcare in Girdwood.*

## **Little Bears Playhouse Mission:**

*The mission of Little Bears Playhouse is to provide an intentional, engaging, and nurturing learning environment that promotes growth within the individual child.*

## **Little Bears Goal:**

*The goals of the program are to embrace each individual child, their family, and their caregivers, while providing a warm nurturing environment in which children can grow.*





# A Little (More) About Little Bears

- Since 1982 Little Bears has served the Girdwood and Four Valleys communities.
- Little Bears provides care to **34** children and **~28** families annually.
- Our staff includes **eight** full-time care-givers.
- We are a federally-recognized 501 (c) (3) **non-profit** early childhood learning facility.
- We have created a strong, developmentally appropriate, and intentional curriculum.
- For most of its life Little Bears has relied on **community fundraising support** and small local grants to support new equipment needs.



# What we have been up to:

We have built a very strong staff, 50% of whom have their CDA, or else are in the process of earning it.

We have been working with Pomeroy Lodging on obtaining a 99-year land lease at \$1 per year for our new building.

In partnership with Girdwood Inc, we secured a \$530,000 Community Innovation Grant. Those funds will go toward our new building planning documents, consulting and legal fees.

We have been working hard on meeting our \$1.5 million match for the ARPA Grant and have been spending the \$100,000 predevelopment funds wisely.

We have been working closely with SkyLab Architecture on the plans for our new building.



# Parks & Rec Grant 2023

With the money received from the 2023 Parks and Rec Grant we were able to:

- ✓ Purchase CDA Training and ProSolutions Training Subscriptions to continue the professional development of staff
- ✓ Begin the foundations of improving the Little Bears Garden
- ✓ Increased our art supplies to allow children freedom of expression when creating





# Artist for the Day

To keep the quality of our services at the highest level, Little Bears is submitting a request for grant funds to the GBOS for **\$10,000.00** in order to improve our curriculum by creating an enrichment program called "Artist for the Day". We have invited many local artists to our school to guide our children, using a wide array of media, in developing a stronger understanding and love for art within the classroom.

**Where YOUR Contributions Will Go Right Away**





# Benefits of Art in the Classroom



- ❖ Supports the development of fine motor skills to aid the development of writing
- ❖ Aids the use of expressive language
- ❖ Nurtures social and emotional development
- ❖ Encourages thinking skills
- ❖ Stimulates imagination and creativity
- ❖ Allows for early math skills development with patterns and cause and effect



## In Closing...

- ✓ Funds from this grant would purchase all the art materials needed to support our “Artist for the Day” enrichment program.
- ✓ Art, product-focused and process art, aid in the overall development of a child.
- ✓ Art enrichment programs are not offered for this age group in Girdwood. The local art camp has a minimum age requirement of 5 years old.
- ✓ Little Bears Playhouse is dedicated to creating a learning environment that supports the individual child and their own developmental journey.
- ✓ Staff will continue their training through the CDA credential and professional development journey to ensure Little Bears is intentional when developing their art curriculum.
- ✓ Little Bears is grateful for your support through the years and as we move forward!!!





THANK YOU!



# Contact Information

Little Bears Playhouse

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**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**FUNDING REQUEST FOR NON-PROFIT RECREATION ORGANIZATIONS**

ORGANIZATION NAME: Glacier Valley Transit PHONE: 907-382-9908

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ALTERNATE CONTACT PERSON: Dawn Johnson PHONE: [REDACTED]

E-MAIL: djohnson@glaciervalleytransit.com

PROJECT TITLE: Glacier Valley Transit

GVSA FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$ 6000

TOTAL PROGRAM COST FOR 2024: \$ 452886

1. Non-profit corporation? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, please list formal non-profit fiscal sponsorship entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Responsibility for contract administration, meeting reporting requirements and insurance remain the responsibility of the organization applying for the grant.

Date of incorporation: 11/20/2010 Federal Tax ID# [REDACTED]

2. Organization's estimated TOTAL 2024 Operating Budget: \$ 452886

Previous Parks & Recreation Grant Funding:

2021 \$ 5370

2022 \$ 5700

2023 \$ 5600

Previous Other MOA Grant Funding:

2021 \$ 20000

2022 \$ 20000

2023 \$ 20000

3. How was previous grant funding from GVSA Non-Profit Recreation grants used?

The 2023 funds were used as a source of local matching funds to required for our 5311 FTA funding.

**CERTIFICATION** (must be signed by an AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, who per your by-laws, has the authority to sign contracts or other legal documents on behalf of your organization)

I certify that the information contained in this application, including all attachments and supporting materials, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Carol Makar  
NAME

President  
TITLE

9/13/23  
DATE

# PROJECT INFORMATION

ORGANIZATION NAME Glacier Valley Transit

Project Title: Glacier Valley Transit

Complete sections below. **Additional space to complete comments is on page 4, if needed.**

1. Summarize the project you are proposing. Include primary goals and objectives.

Glacier Valley Transit is Girdwood's public transportation system. GVT is funded by 5311 FTA grant funding, donations from riders, contracts with local businesses & grant funds from the Municipality of Anchorage. The estimated cost of operations in 2024 is \$452886. Public transportation is vital to the Girdwood Valley & enhances the community's safety, access to recreation, employment, tourism, and overall economy. GVT runs on a flex route schedule providing reliable and free transportation to Girdwood's visitors and residents. GVT strives to be a sustainable, self-sufficient organization in the Girdwood Valley.

2. What evaluation criteria will be used to determine if goals and objectives have been met? Be specific.

GVT's goal is financial stability through continued growth in ridership and local contributions. With a steady increase in local riders, ridership reached 66,316 riders in 2023. Last year's ridership numbers indicate that the bus is being used by locals and visitors alike. Nearly 50% of last year's riders were local residents. GVT analyzes the budget against actual figures for the fiscal year.

3. Describe why the project to be funded under this proposal is needed and how it will benefit the community. Is this a new or existing project? Is there unmet need or population that will be served with this project?

GVT needs the financial support of Girdwood residents and businesses to continue to offer this free service. GVT has been in operation since 2007 and historically had an average operating loss of \$60,000-\$70,000 each year. The Parks and Recreation grant, Municipality funding and service contracts with local businesses made it possible for GVT to reduce that operating loss significantly. GVT brings visitors and purchasing power to every business in the valley, the economic impact trickles down to all Girdwood residents. As a community, Girdwood strives to become a four season destination; public transportation is needed to reach this goal.

4. Provide a brief history of your organization, especially as it relates to Girdwood Parks and Recreation.

GVT was created in 2007 because Alyeska Resort along with community members felt public transportation in Girdwood was a priority. The bus service is a way to service the community & grow tourist visitation to the valley. GVT provides access to Girdwood's hiking trails, biking trails, nordic trails, Alyeska Resort and local restaurants and shops. Each bus is equipped with bike racks in the summer. The bus often caters to hikers or parents with small children that need a ride back up valley after a ride or hike down valley. When access across the Winner Creek Gorge reopens GVT will provide a safer option of catching a bus rather than walking or biking back down Crow Creek Road.



5. Explain how the proposed project meets the definition of recreation stated in the information packet. GVT runs a flex route schedule throughout Girdwood daily. There are many trails in Girdwood funded by the MOA and maintained by the Girdwood Trails Committee. These trail-heads have limited parking for trail users. GVT provides transportation to many of these trails alleviating the parking issue. Local skiers and snowboarders use GVT to access the slopes of Alyeska Resort and Nordic trails at Moose Meadows. Girdwood school children can ride the bus home from after school activities. Buses can accommodate strollers, skis, bikes and wheelchairs. Additionally GVT buses provide service for Forest Fair, alleviating the cost of renting buses, which allows more money to be reinvested in to the community.

6. Is this project year-round, seasonal, or a one-time event? year round

Scheduled start date: November 2007

Scheduled end date: N/A

7. Where will this project take place? What facilities will it use?

GVT operates year round throughout the valley . Bus stops include the AK Railroad depot, Tesoro Mall, The Community Center & Library, Girdwood Clinic, Crow Creek Mercantile, The Post Office, The Forest Service, the Daylodge, Hotel Alyeska and other Girdwood businesses. The flex route allows the buses to deviate ½ mile off the regular route when time and road conditions allow. Buses are stored on Alyeska property.

8. How many people including participants, volunteers and staff, will participate in the project and for how many hours?

Number of Project Participants	<u>70000 riders</u>	total participant hours	<u>n/a</u>
Number of Project Volunteers	<u>6 Board members</u>	total volunteer hours	<u>150</u>
Number of Project Paid Staff	<u>8 paid staff</u>	total paid staff hours	<u>9000</u>

Total Number of participants, volunteers and staff: 70014

Total number of project hours, overall: 9150

9. Source of volunteers (parents, members, professionals, etc):

Girdwood Community members

Types of services provided by volunteers:

quarterly board meetings, follow up action from board members & participation in fundraising activities

10. Participant cost:

Organization Membership fee:	\$ 0
Project Participation fee:	\$ 0
Other Fees or Dues:	\$ 0

Total Cost per participant: \$ 0

11. GVSA cannot guarantee full funding requested by the grantee. Please explain how the project manager can adapt if funding amount for this project is less than the amount requested:

The net operating loss of GVT will increase if the program is not funded. This could cause the fare free program to cease. If GVT is not self-sufficient and sustainable we may not have to reduce service or discontinue service.

12. Any other comments you would like to make about this program?

Public transportation is a great asset to community members and visitors. Visitors rely on the bus during their entire visit to access trails, shops, restaurants, B&B's, resort amenities and the mountain. Residents rely on GVT to get to work daily. Residents and visitors rely on the bus to get home safely after drinking alcohol at concerts, local restaurants, bars and other events. There is no other form of public transportation in the valley. Public transportation is eco-friendly, reduces traffic and addresses the lack of public parking. By reducing the number of vehicles on our roads, GVT helps support Girdwood Trails Committee's vision to be a pedestrian friendly town & supports the overall transportation initiative for the Girdwood Master Plan. The GVT board is asking the GBOS/ Municipality to match \$6000 of the local match required by the

Please use the space below if needed to complete prior answers. Indicate topic number (1-12) and complete:

12) 5311 Rural Transit Federal Grant. Long term GVT's goal is to maintain the public private partnership, but have the majority of the match be publicly funded. Thank you for your consideration.

# OPERATING EXPENSES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT (Budget Form #1)

ORGANIZATION NAME: Glacier Valley Transit

Project Title: Glacier Valley transit

This proposed project budget covers the period of July 2023 to June 2024 in the calendar year of 2024.

<u>Project Expenses</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>	<u>Budget</u>
PROJECT STAFF:		<u>\$ 305,600</u>
Salaries	<u>226340</u>	
Employee benefits	<u>79260</u>	
Payroll taxes	<u>                    </u>	
Training	<u>                    </u>	
Other: <u>                                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	
PROJECT SUPPLIES/SERVICES:		<u>\$ 87286</u>
Operating	<u>34286</u>	
supplies Office	<u>                    </u>	
Printing/Publication	<u>                    </u>	
Equipment Purchase/Rental	<u>                    </u>	
Other: <u>fuel</u>	<u>53000</u>	
PROJECT FACILITY		<u>\$</u>
Rental & Utilities	<u>                    </u>	
Maintenance	<u>                    </u>	
Other: <u>                                    </u>	<u>                    </u>	
PROJECT TRANSPORTATION		<u>\$ 60000</u>
Organization Owned	<u>30000</u>	
vehicles	<u>                    </u>	
Rental vehicles	<u>                    </u>	
Private vehicles	<u>                    </u>	
Other: <u>liability insurance</u>	<u>30000</u>	
OVERHEAD EXPENSE		<u>\$</u>
Portion of total organization's costs charged to this project, i.e., administration expense, space/rent/utilities, insurance, professional fees, etc.		
TOTAL COST FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT:		<u>\$ 452886</u>

## FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT (Budget Form #2)

ORGANIZATION NAME: Glacier Valley Transit

Project Title: Glacier Valley Transit

This proposed project budget covers the period of July 2023 to June 2024 *in the calendar year 2024.*

Sources of Project Funding	Goal Amount	Committed (Yes/No)
Parent Organization	\$ _____	_____
Gifts and Contributions	\$ <u>31000</u>	<u>no</u>
Membership Dues	\$ _____	_____
Fees & Charges to participants	\$ _____	_____

List private sector funding. Specify source, amount, and date of award:

<u>Alyeska - service contract</u>	\$ <u>57000</u>	<u>7/01/23</u>
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

List any other Government Agency Funding (MOA, SOA, or Federal). Specify source, funding amount and date of award:

<u>MOA</u>	\$ <u>20000</u>	<u>1/1/24</u>
<u>FTA</u>	\$ <u>337886</u>	<u>7/01/23</u>
_____	\$ _____	_____

List fundraisers held by your organization. Specify event, funding amount generated, and date of event:

<u>Turkey Trot</u>	\$ <u>1000</u>	<u>November 23</u>
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

List the in-kind support your organization receives and the approximate value:

_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

Subtotal of Financial Support for this project: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Supplemental Funding Granted from MOA Parks & Recreation: \$ 6000

TOTAL FUNDING FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT: \$ 452886

*NOTE: Financial support should meet or exceed anticipated project expenditures. If it does not, you must provide an explanation. If the financial support is expected to exceed the expenditures by a substantial amount, please provide an explanation as to why grant funds are being requested for this project.*

**NON-PROFIT FUNDING APPLICATION EVALUATION WORKSHEET**  
**for Budget Year 2024**

- A. ORGANIZATION NAME: Glacier Valley Transit
- B. PROJECT TO BE FUNDED: Glacier Valley Transit
- C. GVSA RECREATION GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$6,000
- D. ANTICIPATED TOTAL ORGANIZATION OPERATING BUDGET: \$452,886
- E. GRANT PROJECT BUDGET: \$452,886
- F. PERCENT OF REQUESTED VS. TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (C/E): 1.3%
- G. NUMBER TO BE SERVED BY PROJECT: 70,000 participants, 6 volunteers, 8 staff  
70014 Total
- H. REQUESTED GRANT MONEY PER PARTICIPANT C/G): \$.09

**RATING WORKSHEET:** Please rate the following categories according to the indicated scales, with 1 being the lowest, and 5 being the highest. Additional space is given to provide comments about your evaluation of each categories and an overall impression of the grant request.

1. Project description is logical and easily understood Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
2. Application addresses evaluation criteria listed in the grant and evaluation Instructions (purpose, management, community support, specifics and appearance). Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
3. Application demonstrated need for this project Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
4. Project meets definition of "recreation" as outlined in grant and evaluation Instructions. Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
5. Number to be served by the project Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
6. Fees are reasonable Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:

7. Participation not restricted by membership requirements  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Project has volunteer support  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Facilities are adequate for purposed use  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Project manager demonstrates resilience if funding does not match request  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
11. Initiative to seek other funding  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
12. Project does not duplicate services otherwise available in Girdwood  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
13. Track record of organization  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
14. Completeness and/or content of the application  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Comment of the project for grant funding:

Recommended Funding Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Evaluator \_\_\_\_\_

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**FUNDING REQUEST FOR NON-PROFIT RECREATION ORGANIZATIONS**

ORGANIZATION NAME: Girdwood Community Club, Inc.

PHONE: 907-754-2489

SKI-CITY

ADDRESS: PO Box 29, Girdwood, AK

ZIP: 99587

CONTACT PERSON: Lewis Leonard

PHONE: [REDACTED]

E-MAIL: [REDACTED]

FAX: none

ALTERNATE CONTACT PERSON: Jon Scudder

PHONE: [REDACTED]

E-MAIL: [REDACTED]

PROJECT TITLE: Glacier City Radio

GVSA FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$ 8,000 TOTAL PROGRAM COST FOR 2024: \$126,511

1. Non-profit corporation? Yes X No   

If no, please list formal non-profit fiscal sponsorship entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Responsibility for contract administration, meeting reporting requirements and insurance remain the responsibility of the organization applying for the grant.

Date of incorporation: 12-29-97

Federal Tax ID# [REDACTED]

2. Organization's estimated TOTAL 2024 Operating Budget: \$ \$126,511

3. Previous Parks & Recreation Grant Funding: Previous Other MOA Grant Funding:

2021 \$ 6,560

2021 \$ none

2022 \$ 6,340

2022 \$ none

2023 \$ 6,315

2023 \$ none

4. How was previous grant funding from GVSA Parks & Recreation grants used? Glacier City Radio

CERTIFICATION (must be signed by an AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, who per your by-laws, has the authority to sign contracts or other legal documents on behalf of your organization)

I certify that the information contained in this application, including all attachments and supporting materials, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



NAME

President

TITLE

9-14-23

DATE

## PROJECT INFORMATION

ORGANIZATION NAME: Girdwood Community Club, Inc.

Project Title: Glacier City Radio

Complete sections below. **Additional space to complete comments is on page 4, if needed.**

Note: *Italicized phrases* throughout this application refer directly to grant definitions of recreation.

**1. Summarize the project you are proposing. Include primary goals and objectives.**

This program is the operation of the only local community FM radio station in Glacier Valley/Turnagain Arm. It is non-commercial and is run by volunteers, from management to programming. It provides over 38,000 hours a year of *recreational opportunities* for people in our facilities, in a diverse audio, music, computer, library, research, *skill building*, digital and electronic operating environment.

The primary goals and objectives are 1) Provide a public safety net in times of emergencies. 2) Encourage residents of all ages to become volunteer/program hosts and use their *recreational time to expand their interest* in radio, providing educational, recreational, and music programming for the *recreational listeners of Girdwood*. 3) Provide all residents of the Girdwood community with the ability to listen to quality radio programs amongst their *leisure time recreational activities*.

**2. What evaluation criteria will be used to determine if goals and objectives have been met? Be specific.**

1) How many hours the station is on the air every day, week, year close to 24/7/365. 2) Ensure integration into Emergency Alert Systems (EAS) by complying with state and federal regulations. 3) Absorption of community standards by listener feedback. 4) Assess the number of program hosts and staff who train and integrate with the operation. 5) Determine that emergency and *recreational information* is transmitted. 6) Monitor the diversity of programming, music and entertainment. 7) Assess participants' time commitment, *skill advancement*, and continued interest in our *recreational-radio* programs.

**3. Describe why the project to be funded under this proposal is needed and how it will benefit the community. Is this a new or existing project? Is there unmet need or population that will be served with this project?** This existing program falls under category II of the "Eligible Programs" descriptions: "This grant funded program fills a need in the community that both A) Can't be met by the Municipality as effectively or efficiently, and B) Is not currently being met by another agency in the community." Radio is immediate. It is the only medium that provides fast networking, messaging, communications, and interaction to thousands of people through a free ubiquitous medium. Local on-air personalities strengthen the sense of community with information on public issues including broadcasts of the GBOS meetings, community fundraisers, meetings, organizing, and events. KEUL broadcasts discussions with the community and community leaders, and produces special events. It is also a *community recreational resource*, providing programs of varied interests for *recreational listening* and for the *recreational activity* of radio program hosts. It will continue an *existing recreational program*. This station is seen as the heartbeat of Glacier Valley. More than any other program, we represent our community to the rest of the state. We are a public safety net in times of emergencies with road information, child abduction alerts, lost and found animals, bear and moose sightings, tsunami warnings, and heavy weather alerts. Some of these services you won't receive anywhere else. There are no other local broadcast facilities to disseminate information. This program is needed because these services can't be met by the Municipality and are not currently being met by any other agency in the community.

**4. Provide a brief history of your organization, especially as it relates to Girdwood Parks and Recreation:**

Formed in the late 1940s, the club has initiated, contributed to, and by deed and action promoted community enrichment projects with such firsts as Girdwood's: first school (our current building), fire department, telephone and electrical utilities, library, *community park*, *alpine ski area (we loaned them money for starters)*, produced a theatre group, brought the relay television broadcast system to Turnagain arm, serving Girdwood, and started KEUL FM radio in Glacier Valley.



5. **Explain how the proposed project meets the definition of recreation stated in the information packet.** This program meets all the definitions of recreation. *Italicized phrases* throughout this application refer directly to all grant definitions of recreation. Listeners and program hosts fill their *leisure time* with *activities that contribute to healthful living, and increase the quality of life* through knowledge and communication. *Enhances social skills* and *instills positive personality characteristics* with audience communication, community interaction, and integration within the organization. *Enhances motor skills* as hosts learn to operate the equipment. This activity requires hosts' *participation and skill building*. *Expands interests* by providing operators an education in broadcast radio and music discovery, providing listeners with diverse programs, information, and education. See also page 4, #12.

6. **Is this project year-round, seasonal, or a one-time event?** Year-round  
Scheduled start date: January 1, 2024                      Scheduled end date: December 31, 2024

7. **Where will this project take place? What facilities will it use?** We will operate this program at KEUL FM 88.9 Girdwood, Alaska with Glacier City Radio's broadcast and other facilities in the Girdwood Community Club's building in Girdwood Park at 124 Egloff Drive, our transmitting facilities at the upper tram terminal of Alyeska Resort, and back-up studio/transmitter/relay at 446 Vail Drive.

8. **How many people including participants, volunteers and staff, will participate in the project and for how many hours?**

Number of Project Participants: Listeners 2000+	total participant hours: 61,320 (on-air 24/7/365)
Number of Project Volunteers: 11	total volunteer hours: 5334
Number of Project Paid Staff: 0	total paid staff hours 0

9. **Source of volunteers (parents, members, professionals, etc):**

We are an eclectic volunteer organization that has, over the years, included parents, children, members, librarians, bankers, teachers, construction, middle & high school and college students, drop-outs, hotel & restaurant employees, electrical & electronic technicians, radio & television station owners, lift operators, maintenance workers, municipal, state, and federal employees, internet service providers, webmasters, graphic designers, creek muffins, and tree people.

**Types of services provided by volunteers:**

Radio operations and volunteer training including: Station Manager, Chief Operator, Chief Trainer, Youth in Radio, music acquisition, development, fund-raising, underwriting, radio program hosts, DJs, audio producers, Emergency Broadcast Coordination, radio frequency and audio engineering, computer and internet technicians, artists, and designers.

10. **Participant cost:**

Organization Membership fee:	\$ No fees. Optional sliding scale membership.
Project Participation Fee	\$ No fees. Optional sliding scale participation.
Other Fees or Dues:	\$ None
Total Cost per participant:	\$ None/sliding scale

**11. GVSA cannot guarantee full funding requested by the grantee. Please explain how the project manager can adapt if funding amount for this project is less than the amount requested:**

Over our years of operation the project manager has been adaptable, working with various levels of project funding, which produced both growth and shrinkage of the project. Adaptation is done through scheduling of equipment maintenance and replacement along with advancing or delaying new purchases.

Without this grant we could not operate or improve or this important service which not only provides a sense of community, but also provides a safety net in times of emergencies. It would also bring us below the value of our past service and harm our commitment to the community. Our program operates at it's intense full-time level 24/7/365. No other program funded by this grant operates at this high level with such a low budget. It is truly a high value return for the money.

Many people take radio for granted because it is free and available everywhere. Even with this grant, we are already working at a minimum funding level; maximum support from the Girdwood Board of Supervisors is critical. When we were accepted into the National Federation of Community Broadcasters (NFCB) in 2001, the president of the NFCB board was shocked to hear that our cash flow was merely in the thousands of dollars and declared that we were well below the poverty level for non-commercial radio in America. Stations need to have 5 full-time employees to receive federal funding and operate with budgets from \$250,000 to millions of dollars yearly. Yet, 25 years after its inception, Glacier City Radio is a broadcast powerhouse, while still operating with an all-volunteer staff, community support, and a frugal budget.

Glacier City Radio has built a state-of-the-art broadcast facility from studio to transmitter with backup facilities for emergency contingencies. To provide this service without down time, there is a constant need to repair and replace electronic and computer equipment, most of which is specialty for radio broadcast. This grant provides our operational expenses so we can use the monies generated from our program to buy necessary electronic equipment.

Without this grant we could not improve our operations. Over two decades we have progressed literally from 'two turntables and a microphone' with a low-power transmitter in a stuff sack, to an FCC Class A full-power FM broadcast station. This couldn't have happened without the full support of this Parks and Recreation Grant. The original motivating investment of a few hundred dollars and lots of time by many locals has grown that seed into a non-commercial community enterprise, worth half-a-million dollars; one that rivals similar stations throughout the country.

**12. Any other comments you would like to make about this program?** These programs that we support with our tax dollars are what economists call a public good that provide cheap or free services with *enhancements to the quality of life* for all community members, and need to be supported by the community at large. All of our activities are free/low cost, eliminating the barrier/stigma of class, which essentially scholarships all programs, activities and training. Nationally, other Parks and Rec departments own, operate, and/or support community broadcasters.

*Recreation* has many faces. It is not only a motor sports activity. It also includes hobbies such as photography, stamp collecting, board games, gold mining, and kite flying. Municipal Recreation Centers support hobbies, board games, and crafts. Dictionary definitions describe *recreation* as “refreshment of one’s mind or body after work through activity that amuses or stimulates.” *Radio is recreation.* Program hosts consider time spent playing music, entertaining, and educating listeners as *recreation*. The community considers their time spent listening to radio as *recreation*. Summer and winter outdoor *recreationalists* and adventurers learn more of their hostile environment through public service announcements, actively reporting on events, and becoming involved in *recreational public service activities*.

There should be no age or activity preference in determining access to or funding of *recreational programs*. We provide programming for young and old and welcome all ages as volunteers. We will continue to provide an outlet for the creativity and energy of the community. This program is available free to 100% of the community 365 days a year on both the programming and listening end of the radio.

# **OPERATING EXPENSES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT** (Budget Form #1)

ORGANIZATION NAME: Girdwood Community Club

Project Title: Glacier City Radio

This proposed project budget covers the period of January 1 to December 31  
in *the calendar year of 2024*

<u>Project Expenses</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>	<u>Budget</u>
PROJECT STAFF:		\$ 55,400
Salaries	\$ 0	
Employee Benefits	0	
Payroll taxes	0	
Training	400	
Other: Contract Station Manager	55,000	
PROJECT SUPPLIES/SERVICES:		\$ 31,121
Operating supplies	\$24,451	
Office supplies	710	
Printing/Publication	0	
Equipment Purchase/Rental	500	
Other: Air Time Meeting Broadcasts	5,460	
PROJECT FACILITY		\$ 32,490
Rental & Utilities	\$ 31,990	
Maintenance expense	500	
Other:	0	
PROJECT TRANSPORTATION		\$ 0.00
Organization owned vehicles	\$ 0	
Rental vehicles	0	
Private vehicles	0	
Other	0	
OVERHEAD EXPENSE		\$ 7,500
Portion of total organization's costs charged to this project, i.e., administration expense, space/rent/utilities, insurance, professional fees, etc.		
<b>TOTAL COST FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT:</b>		<b>\$126,511</b>

# FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT

(Budget Form #2)

ORGANIZATION NAME: Girdwood Community Club

Project Title: Glacier City Radio

This proposed project budget covers the period of January 1 to December 31  
in *the calendar year of 2024*

<u>Sources of Project Funding</u>	<u>Goal Amount</u>	<u>Committed (Yes/No)</u>
Parent Organization	\$ 3,997	Yes
Gifts and Contributions	2,500	Yes
Membership Dues	2,000	Yes
Fees & Charges to participants	0	

List private sector funding. Specify source, amount, and date of award:

None \$ 0

List any other Government Agency Funding (MOA, SOA, or Federal). Specify source, funding amount and date of award:

None 0

List fundraisers held by your organization. Specify event, funding amount generated, and date of event:

T-shirt sales	400	Yes
Underwriting	7,000	Yes

List the in-kind support your organization receives and the approximate value:

Station Manager Labor	\$55,000	Yes
Tech Soup computer software	510	Yes
Music Distributors, Artists	15,120	Yes
Remote Broadcasts	5,460	Yes
Alyeska Resort	9,700	Yes
Backup Studio, Transmitter Site, engineering	14,424	Yes
MOA Land Use Fees	2,400	Yes

Subtotal of Financial Support for this project: \$118,511

Supplemental Funding Granted from MOA Parks & Recreation: \$ 8,000

**TOTAL FUNDING FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT: \$126,511**

*Note: Financial support should meet or exceed anticipated project expenditures. If it does not, you must provide an explanation. If the financial support is projected to exceed the expenditures by a substantial amount, please provide an explanation as to why grant funds are being requested for this project.*

**NON-PROFIT FUNDING APPLICATION EVALUATION WORKSHEET**  
**for Budget Year 2024**

- A. ORGANIZATION NAME: Girdwood Community Club
- B. PROJECT TO BE FUNDED: Glacier City Radio
- C. GVSA RECREATION GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$8,000
- D. ANTICIPATED TOTAL ORGANIZATION OPERATING BUDGET: \$126,511
- E. GRANT PROJECT BUDGET: \$126,511
- F. PERCENT OF REQUESTED VS. TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (C/E): 6.3%
- G. NUMBER TO BE SERVED BY PROJECT: 2000+ participants, 11 volunteers  
Est 2011+
- H. REQUESTED GRANT MONEY PER PARTICIPANT C/G): .06

**RATING WORKSHEET:** Please rate the following categories according to the indicated scales, with 1 being the lowest, and 5 being the highest. Additional space is given to provide comments about your evaluation of each categories and an overall impression of the grant request.

1. Project description is logical and easily understood Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
2. Application addresses evaluation criteria listed in the grant and evaluation Instructions (purpose, management, community support, specifics and appearance). Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
3. Application demonstrated need for this project Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
4. Project meets definition of "recreation" as outlined in grant and evaluation Instructions. Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
5. Number to be served by the project Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
6. Fees are reasonable Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:

7. Participation not restricted by membership requirements  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Project has volunteer support  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Facilities are adequate for purposed use  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Project manager demonstrates resilience if funding does not match request  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
11. Initiative to seek other funding  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
12. Project does not duplicate services otherwise available in Girdwood  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
13. Track record of organization  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
14. Completeness and/or content of the application  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Comment of the project for grant funding:

Recommended Funding Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Evaluator \_\_\_\_\_

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**FUNDING REQUEST FOR NON-PROFIT RECREATION ORGANIZATIONS**

ORGANIZATION NAME: Challenge Alaska PHONE: (907) 344-7399

ADDRESS: 3350 Commercial Dr., Suite 208, Anchorage, AK ZIP: 99501

CONTACT PERSON: J. Nathan Boltz PHONE: [REDACTED]

E-MAIL: nate@challengealaska.org FAX: (907) 344-7349

ALTERNATE CONTACT PERSON: Mariel Donovan PHONE: [REDACTED]

E-MAIL: mariel@challengealaska.org

PROJECT TITLE: Challenge Alaska Girdwood

GVSA FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$ 10,000

TOTAL PROGRAM COST FOR 2024: \$ 349,742

1. Non-profit corporation? Yes ☒ No ☐

If no, please list formal non-profit fiscal sponsorship entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Responsibility for contract administration, meeting reporting req \_\_\_\_\_

Date of incorporation: 1981 Federal Tax ID# [REDACTED]

2. Organization's estimated TOTAL 2024 Operating Budget: \$ 1,581,113

Previous Parks & Recreation Grant Funding:

2021 \$ 8,600

2022 \$ 7,980

2023 \$ 7,460

Previous Other MOA Grant Funding:

2021 \$ N/A

2022 \$ N/A

2023 \$ N/A

3. How was previous grant funding from GVSA Non-Profit Recreation grants used?

Challenge Alaska subsidized nearly \$27,000 in programs and services to the Girdwood community in 2023. (Continued pg 4)

**CERTIFICATION** (must be signed by an AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, who per your by-laws, has the authority to sign contracts or other legal documents on behalf of your organization)

I certify that the information contained in this application, including all attachments and supporting materials, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

J. Nathan Boltz  
NAME

Executive Director  
TITLE

09/11/2023  
DATE

# PROJECT INFORMATION

ORGANIZATION NAME Challenge Alaska

Project Title: Challenge Alaska Girdwood

Complete sections below. **Additional space to complete comments is on page 4, if needed.**

1. Summarize the project you are proposing. Include primary goals and objectives.

Challenge Alaska Girdwood provides Adaptive Sports and Therapeutic Recreation, including, but not limited to, Adaptive Ski and Snowboard programs for People with Disabilities. Challenge Alaska improves the lives of individuals with disabilities and their families by providing equal access to sports and recreation. Through program participation, individuals with disabilities have increased health and fitness, learn lifelong skills for healthy living, increase socialization, as well as improved mobility, flexibility and strength. The facility hosts the Girdwood Fine Arts Camp each summer as well as other community events and gatherings such as Community Schools programming, weddings, retirement parties, memorial services etc. The Keil Center provides an opportunity for Girdwood residents to learn about disabilities and become skilled in adaptive ski and snowboard instruction. Finally, this facility and its programs assist the Municipality in fulfilling its ADA requirements under the federal law.

2. What evaluation criteria will be used to determine if goals and objectives have been met? Be specific.

- Scholarship at least 3 disabled skiers and snowboarders from Girdwood and the Girdwood School groups totaling a minimum of \$1,500.
- Host the Girdwood Fine Arts Cam at a reduced cost valued at \$6,400
- Host at least 5 Girdwood Based Community Events throughout the year at a value of at least \$7500.
- Train and educate at least 30 Girdwood residents in disability awareness and adaptive ski and snowboard instruction at a value of at least \$7000

3. Describe why the project to be funded under this proposal is needed and how it will benefit the community. Is this a new or existing project? Is there unmet need or population that will be served with this project?

Challenge Alaska is one of the limited facilities its size in the community where programs can be offered. In addition it is the only organization in Girdwood which provides sports and recreation programs specifically for individuals with disabilities. The Challenge Alaska Girdwood program enhances the entire community through disability awareness and education as well as providing one of a very few fully accessible facilities in Girdwood large enough to host community events such as the Girdwood Fine Arts Camp, memorial services, and other community events. Challenge Alaska uses the funds requested to scholarship participants both directly and indirectly through reduced facility use costs. Challenge Alaska historically subsidizes participants and organizations at twice the amount it receives from the non-profit recreation grant. This request is for \$10,000 and last year Challenge Alaska provided \$21,000 in scholarships to individuals and subsidies to Girdwood based groups such as Girdwood Fine Arts Camp, Alyeska Ski Patrol, etc.

4. Provide a brief history of your organization, especially as it relates to Girdwood Parks and Recreation.

Challenge Alaska was founded in 1980 and incorporated in 1981 by Douglas Keil and other individuals dedicated to providing sports and recreation opportunities for people with disabilities. Mr. Keil was electrocuted at age 14, and as a result his left arm and leg were amputated. After struggling for years with depression resulting in drug and alcohol abuse, in 1975 Doug visited Winter Park, Colorado, which turned his life around. After winning two Gold Medals in Norway with the US Disabled Alpine Ski Team, Doug was determined to bring those same opportunities to the disabled community of Alaska and in 1980 Challenge Alaska was born. Challenge Alaska has a long history with Girdwood Parks and Recreation grants. We strive to be a valued member of the Girdwood community, and to help all residents and organizations within Girdwood thrive.



5. Explain how the proposed project meets the definition of recreation stated in the information packet. Challenge Alaska's Girdwood Program including the disabled ski and snowboard program is consistent with Girdwood Parks and Recreation's definition of recreation. Skiing and Snowboarding as well as other recreation and leisure opportunities offered at the Challenge Alaska Girdwood facility provides leisure time activities that contribute to healthful living, enhance participation in skill-building, instills positive personality characteristics, and expands the participants interest and increases their quality of life. One need only stop by the Challenge Alaska Girdwood program and talk to the participants and their families or the many volunteers to see the positive impact on all who are involved.

6. Is this project year-round, seasonal, or a one-time event? Year Round

Scheduled start date: January 01, 2024

Scheduled end date: December 31, 2023

7. Where will this project take place? What facilities will it use?

This project will take place at the Keil Center for Adaptive Sports and Theraputic Recreation (The Challenge Alaska Chalet), Alyeska Resort, and Girdwood area parks such as Moose Meadows.

8. How many people including participants, volunteers and staff, will participate in the project and for how many hours?

Number of Project Participants	<u>400</u>	total participant hours	<u>4,400</u>
Number of Project Volunteers	<u>265</u>	total volunteer hours	<u>9,000</u>
Number of Project Paid Staff	<u>5</u>	total paid staff hours	<u>3,548</u>

Total Number of participants, volunteers and staff:	<u>670</u>
Total number of project hours, overall:	<u>16,948</u>

9. Source of volunteers (parents, members, professionals, etc):

Challenge Alaska receives its many dedicated volunteers through community outreach to the general public, family members of participants, off-duty employees of the Alyeska Mountain Learning Center, Ski Patrol, staff members of school groups who attend, ASD Partner's Club members, and university outdoor recreation students.

Types of services provided by volunteers:

Adaptive alpine skiing and snowboard instruction, adaptive alpine sking and snowboard race training and coaching, adaptive Nordic ski instruction, instructor training, office assistance, cleaning at our facility, maintenance, photography/videography, and fundraising assistance.

10. Participant cost:

Organization Membership fee:	\$ <u>N/A</u>
Project Participation fee:	\$ <u>Varies</u>
Other Fees or Dues:	\$ <u>N/A</u>

Total Cost per participant: \$ Varies

11. GVSA cannot guarantee full funding requested by the grantee. Please explain how the project manager can adapt if funding amount for this project is less than the amount requested:

Challenge Alaska would be required to make a reduction in the amount and quantity of scholarships available as, well  
as an increase in the usage fees for our facility for community events such as the Girdwood Fine Arts Camp. There  
could be a reduction in service provisions resulting in an increased wait list or cost to the participant.

12. Any other comments you would like to make about this program?

Challenge Alaska's origins are in Girdwood and we are proud of all we have accomplished with the support of the community, Alyeska Resort,  
and Girdwood Parks and Recreation. It is our honor to continue to serve the Girdwood Valley with our mission as well as assist Girdwood  
based groups in any way we can to ensure the entire community thrives.

Please use the space below if needed to complete prior answers. Indicate topic number (1-12) and complete:

3.) This grant funding largely goes towards offsetting those costs. Examples of this for 2023 include a \$6,400 reduction in facility use fees for Girdwood Fine Arts Camp, low-cost facility use fees for other Girdwood based organizations valued at 4,300, scholarships to 5 Girdwood based skiers and snowboarders valued at \$3000, and training and education delivered to 31 Girdwood based instructors valued at over \$7,000. In addition, Challenge Alaska provided rental of the Keil Center to 9 additional community organizations at a value of over \$6,100.

# OPERATING EXPENSES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT

(Budget Form #1)

ORGANIZATION NAME: Challenge Alaska

Project Title: Challenge Alaska Girdwood

This proposed project budget covers the period of January 01 to December 31 in  
*the calendar year of 2024.*

<u>Project Expenses</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>	<u>Budget</u>
PROJECT STAFF:		<u>\$ 213,042</u>
Salaries	<u>\$153,975</u>	
Employee benefits	<u>\$35,517</u>	
Payroll taxes	<u>\$13,550</u>	
Training	<u>\$10,000</u>	
Other: _____	_____	
PROJECT SUPPLIES/SERVICES:		<u>\$ 56,000</u>
Operating	_____	
supplies Office	_____	
Printing/Publication	_____	
Equipment Purchase/Rental	_____	
Other: _____	_____	
PROJECT FACILITY		<u>\$ 29,500</u>
Rental & Utilities	<u>\$10,000</u>	
Maintenance	<u>\$19,500</u>	
Other: _____	_____	
PROJECT TRANSPORTATION		<u>\$ 3,700</u>
Organization Owned	<u>\$3,700</u>	
vehicles	_____	
Rental vehicles	_____	
Private vehicles	_____	
Other: _____	_____	
OVERHEAD EXPENSE		<u>\$ 47,500</u>
Portion of total organization's costs charged to this project, i.e., administration expense, space/rent/utilities, insurance, professional fees, etc.		
TOTAL COST FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT:		<u>\$ 349,742</u>

## FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT (Budget Form #2)

ORGANIZATION NAME: Challenge Alaska

Project Title: Challenge Alaska Girdwood

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<u>Sources of Project Funding</u>	<u>Goal Amount</u>	<u>Committed (Yes/No)</u>
Parent Organization	\$ <u>57,210</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Gifts and Contributions	\$ <u>28,000</u>	<u>No</u>
Membership Dues	\$ <u>00.00</u>	<u>N/A</u>
Fees & Charges to participants	\$ <u>102,000</u>	<u>No</u>

List private sector funding. Specify source, amount, and date of award:

<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>

List any other Government Agency Funding (MOA, SOA, or Federal). Specify source, funding amount and date of award:

<u>Federal</u>	\$ <u>37,532</u>	<u>No</u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>

List fundraisers held by your organization. Specify event, funding amount generated, and date of event:

<u>Challenge Alaska Spring Fling (April 2024)</u>	\$ <u>115,000</u>	<u>No</u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>

List the in-kind support your organization receives and the approximate value:

<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>
<u></u>	\$ <u></u>	<u></u>

Subtotal of Financial Support for this project: \$ 339,742

Supplemental Funding Granted from MOA Parks & Recreation: \$ 10,000

**TOTAL FUNDING FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT:** \$ 349,742

*NOTE: Financial support should meet or exceed anticipated project expenditures. If it does not, you must provide an explanation. If the financial support is expected to exceed the expenditures by a substantial amount, please provide an explanation as to why grant funds are being requested for this project.*

**NON-PROFIT FUNDING APPLICATION EVALUATION WORKSHEET**  
**for Budget Year 2024**

- A. ORGANIZATION NAME: Challenge Alaska
- B. PROJECT TO BE FUNDED: Challenge Alaska Girdwood
- C. GVSA RECREATION GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$10,000
- D. ANTICIPATED TOTAL ORGANIZATION OPERATING BUDGET: \$1,581,113
- E. GRANT PROJECT BUDGET: \$349,742
- F. PERCENT OF REQUESTED VS. TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (C/E): 2%
- G. NUMBER TO BE SERVED BY PROJECT: 400 participants; 265 volunteers, 5 staff  
Total 670
- H. REQUESTED GRANT MONEY PER PARTICIPANT C/G): \$14.93

**RATING WORKSHEET:** Please rate the following categories according to the indicated scales, with 1 being the lowest, and 5 being the highest. Additional space is given to provide comments about your evaluation of each categories and an overall impression of the grant request.

1. Project description is logical and easily understood Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
2. Application addresses evaluation criteria listed in the grant and evaluation Instructions (purpose, management, community support, specifics and appearance). Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
3. Application demonstrated need for this project Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
4. Project meets definition of "recreation" as outlined in grant and evaluation Instructions. Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
5. Number to be served by the project Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
6. Fees are reasonable Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:

7. Participation not restricted by membership requirements  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Project has volunteer support  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Facilities are adequate for purposed use  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Project manager demonstrates resilience if funding does not match request  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
11. Initiative to seek other funding  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
12. Project does not duplicate services otherwise available in Girdwood  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
13. Track record of organization  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
14. Completeness and/or content of the application  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Comment of the project for grant funding:

Recommended Funding Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Evaluator \_\_\_\_\_

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**FUNDING REQUEST FOR NON-PROFIT RECREATION ORGANIZATIONS**

ORGANIZATION NAME: Four Valleys Community School      PHONE: (907) 742-5317

ADDRESS: PO Box 790, Girdwood, AK      ZIP: 99587

CONTACT PERSON: Beks Rumley

PHONE: [REDACTED]

E-MAIL: brumley@fourvalleys.org

FAX: No Fax

ALTERNATE CONTACT PERSON: Betsy Preis, FVCS Treasurer      PHONE: [REDACTED]

E-MAIL: [REDACTED]

PROGRAM TITLE: Four Valleys Community School Inc (FVCS)

FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$25,000      TOTAL PROGRAM COST FOR 2024: \$ 159,717.00

1. Non-profit corporation? Yes X No \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of incorporation: June 29, 2004

Federal Tax ID# [REDACTED]

2. Organization's estimated TOTAL 2024 Operating Budget: \$ 159,717.00

3. Previous Parks & Recreation Grant Funding: Previous Other MOA Grant Funding:

2021 \$ 25,000.00

2019 \$ N/A

2022 \$ 25,000.00

2020 \$ N/A

2023 \$ 25,000.00

2021 \$ N/A

4. How was previous grant funding from Parks & Recreation used? Funds are used to supplement our class program fees so that they remain affordable to all community members, to pay rental facility fees and to help us maintain three part-time staff positions to run our year-round program, activities, and events. For our local youth, our classes provide high-quality out-of-school time in a safe environment. Activities in a safe, fun environment with positive adults and peers build resiliency and foster opportunities for social, academic, and health successes in the community. Funds have allowed us to maintain a Monday-Thursday schedule allowing public access to the Girdwood K-8 School Gym and Indoor Running Track at no charge to encourage healthy lifestyles and active engagement by our community. GBOS funds are used to help pay for staff time and allow no-user fee entry to the public for certain classes and programs. We hope to expand our week to offer select programs on Fridays during the 2023-24 school year at little to no cost to local youth.

CERTIFICATION (must be signed by an AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, who per your by-laws, has the authority to sign contracts or other legal documents on behalf of your organization)

I certify that the information contained in this application, including all attachments and supporting materials, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

NAME

Executive Director

September 15, 2023

TITLE

DATE

## PROGRAM INFORMATION

ORGANIZATION NAME: Four Valleys Community School, Inc

Program Title: Four Valleys Community School (FVCS)

Complete sections below. Limit comments to space provided, completed pages should total 6.

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2. What evaluation criteria will be used to determine if goals and objectives have been met? Be specific.  
Evaluation criteria include enrollment figures, returning participants, verbal and e-mail feedback, and on-line feedback forms specific to certain programs. We use program evaluations and conduct formal and informal surveys. We evaluate classes based on interest and registration, and cancel classes that do not reach minimum enrollment numbers. Staff analyzes this and makes changes to reach our target market. A diversity of classes may be offered based on community requests, or as instructors become available.
3. Describe why the project to be funded under this proposal is needed and how it will benefit the community. Is this a new or existing project? Is there unmet need or population that will be served with this project?  
Our project has thrived for 43 years. FVCS has been the only provider of year-round educational and recreational opportunities for our community. In a normal operating year, more than 200 classes & events are provided as a benefit for our community. Neither the Municipality of Anchorage (MOA) Parks & Recreation Department, nor any other community organization offers the same scope of programming to locals in Girdwood. Strong attendance from community members, Girdwood's distance from Anchorage recreational programs, and our community of life-long learners requesting classes and events support the continued need for FVCS programs.



4. Provide a brief history of your organization, especially as it relates to Girdwood Parks and Recreation.

Local volunteers seeing a need for local classes formed FVCS in 1981. At that time staffing was funded by the MOA Parks & Recreation. By 1984 the MOA funding was decreased to a point that Girdwood was eliminated as a Parks & Recreation Summer Playground site. In 1986 FVCS sought financial support from the GBOS to provide summer recreational programs for the Four Valleys. In 1988, all of the Anchorage Community Schools (ACS) became part of the Anchorage School District (ASD). FVCS operated as part of ACS until June 2006. Due to funding cuts and the elimination of community schools' program by ASD, the local FVCS Advisory Board formed a new non-profit corporation, Four Valleys Community School, Inc. to operate independently and solely under local control and specifically to serve Girdwood residents. We are the only remaining community school in the MOA. FVCS is the only entity in Girdwood that provides a wide scope of direct recreational activities for all ages and price points, and available year-round.

5. Explain how the proposed program meets the definition of recreation stated in the information packet.

FVCS's program philosophy is to maximize the use of our local school building and other community resources for the enhancement and enrichment of the residents of the Four Valleys. We emphasize life-long learning, community involvement, and a healthy lifestyle. We aim to provide educational, recreational and cultural activities that are accessible by all members of our community. Our programs contribute to skill building, fitness, expansion of one's personal interests, and community cohesion. We offer our programs year-round for community members of all ages. Many of our classes enhance fine and gross motor skills, social skills, and increase general quality of life. All our programs encourage and cultivate positive characteristics and goals within its participants.

6. Is this program year-round, seasonal, or a one-time event? Year-round

Schedule: Begin date: January 1, 2024 End date: December 31, 2024

7. Where will this project take place? What facilities will it use?

Part of our mission is to use existing community facilities and resources. While our primary center of classes and activities center from the Girdwood K-8 School, we also schedule other local facilities including the Girdwood Community Room, Meadows Community Center, Alyeska Resort Daylodge and Pool, Alyeska Ski Club Race Training Center, Moose Meadows, Forest Fair Park and Pavilions, New Nordic Trail, Arlberg Soccer Field, the baseball field, Girdwood Chapel, local businesses in Girdwood, Portage, Bird, and Indian, instructor homes and studios, and local trails and wilderness areas.

8. How many people and what duration will people participate in this project?

# of Project Participants/total project hours	1900/1800 in a normal year
# of Project Volunteers/total project hours	150/1500 in a normal year
# of Paid Staff/total project hours	3part-time,15 temporary instructors/2500

9. Source of volunteers (parents, members, professionals, etc):

FVCS volunteers include the dedicated parents, caregivers, and grandparents of Girdwood, Bird, Indian and Portage area, our local youth, community members, local and Anchorage professionals, local business owners, local seniors, as well as other local groups including the Girdwood Fire Department, Girdwood Rotary, and Lion's Club.

Types of services provided by volunteers:

Volunteers serve as our program coaches, teachers, supervisors, chaperones, event organizers, donor solicitors, fund raisers, volunteer program monitors, enrichment speakers, as members of the FVCS Board of Directors, and all other types of volunteer services that make our programs strong and viable.

10. What is the cost for participants to join this project?  
Organization Membership fee: No membership fee  
Project Participation fee: Class fees vary between \$0 and \$350
11. GVSA cannot guarantee full funding requested by the grantee. Please explain how the project manager can adapt if funding amount for this project is less than the amount requested:  
Other funding sources would be required. FVCS would continue to operate. Class fees would be raised by approximately 20% to pay for the entire cost of running the program. All staffing, insurance, facility fees, supplies, marketing, program development, and administration would need to be paid through class fees. We would most likely need to cut many programs, such as support for the Girdwood K-8 School Play, enrichment activities and support, as well as scholarships and financial aid. We would eliminate general community enrichment activities that required staffing, as well as discontinue evening openings of the Girdwood K-8 School gym for adult recreation to reduce our staffing hours. No classes or programs could be offered at no-fee.
- 12: Any other comments you would like to make about this program?  
We like to think of ourselves as the MOA partner in the "Recreation" component of Girdwood Parks & Recreation. FVCS programs are the primary source of recreational and social opportunities for community members of all ages in Girdwood, Bird, Indian and Portage. We have a history of 42 years in this community, and have been able to offer varied and quality programs locally. Since 1984, FVCS has administered public funds awarded to it by the GBOS for programs identified by the community as important and useful. Because we have a Memorandum of Agreement with the Anchorage School District, we are able to allow public access to the Girdwood K-8 School gym and utilize the facility after school hours. All the awarded monies goes to provide direct services to our community members. As a function of our mission, FVCS strives to be responsive to the diverse needs of local youth and adults. We take into consideration strengths, interest, and requests of our community. The classes and programs we plan aim to have positive outcomes for academic success, healthy lifestyles, broader recreational experiences, and character development for all ages. The recreational programs we offer in Girdwood keep families off the highway because there are classes available locally. FVCS has established collaborations and partnerships with local businesses and local non-profit organizations to continue providing the educational, recreational, and cultural services our community seeks. In 2024 we strive to re-stabilize our program revenue and not just come back to where we were in 2019, but be able to offer better and more diverse offerings of recreational classes and programs here in the Girdwood, Bird, Indian, and Portage communities. Thank you GBOS for your continued support of our program.

OPERATING EXPENSES FOR PROPOSED PROGRAM <small>(Budget Form #1)</small>						
ORGANIZATION NAME: Four Valleys Community School, Inc.						
Program Title: Four Valleys Community School						
This projected program budget covers the period of 1/1/24 to 12/31/24 in the calendar year 2024.						
Program Expenses			Breakdown		Budget	
<b>PROGRAM STAFF:</b>					100,372	
Salaries			80,393			
Employee benefits			2,664			
Payroll taxes			7,380			
Training & Travel			750			
Other: Instructor payments (1099 Misc. type)			9,185			
<b>PROGRAM SUPPLIES/SERVICES:</b>					30,680	
Operating Supplies (incl. All K-8 Enrichment Program suppl.)			14,640			
Office Supplies (incl. Postage)			1,200			
Printing/Publication			600			
Equipment Purchase/Rental			1,000			
Other: Financial Aid			6,000			
Fundraising/Gaming			6,400			
Volunteer Appreciation			840			
<b>PROGRAM FACILITY:</b>					8,975	
Rental & Utilities			8,975			
Maintenance expense			0			
Other:			0			
<b>PROGRAM TRANSPORTATION:</b>					5,000	
Program owned vehicles			0			
Public vehicles			0			
Rental vehicles			5,000			
Private vehicles			0			
Other:						
<b>OVERHEAD EXPENSE:</b>					14,690	
Portion of total organization's costs charged to this program, i.e. administration expense, space/rent/utilities, insurance, professional fees, etc.						
<b>TOTAL COST FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROGRAM:</b>			159,717			
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**FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROGRAM** (Budget Form #2)

ORGANIZATION NAME: Four Valleys Community School, Inc.

Program Title: Four Valleys Community School

This projected program budget covers the period of **1/1/24 to 12/31/24 in the calendar year 2024.**

Sources of Program Funding:	Goal Amount	Committed (Yes/No)
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Parent Organization	0	
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Gifts and Contributions	28,000	Yes
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Membership Dues	0	
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Fees & Charges to participants		
School year & summer registration	77,717	Yes

Private Sector Grants (specify source &amp; date of award)

KMTA Grant for Summer Adventure Camps	10,000	Yes
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KMTA School Year Grant	3,000	Yes
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Other Government Agency Funding (MOA, SOA, or USA)

Fundraisers (specify major fundraising events/programs)

Community Sports Swap	6,000	Yes
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Spring Fundraiser	10,000	Yes
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Subtotal of Financial Support for this program:	134,717	
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Supplemental Funding Granted from MOA Parks & Recreation:	25,000	
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<b>TOTAL FUNDING FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROGRAM:</b>	<b>159,717</b>	
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ADDRESS: PO Box 790, Girdwood, AK      ZIP: 99587

CONTACT PERSON: Beks Rumley      PHONE: (907) 317-7553

E-MAIL: brumley@fourvalleys.org      FAX: No Fax

ALTERNATE CONTACT PERSON: Betsy Preis, FVCS Treasurer      PHONE: (907) 632-1466

E-MAIL: patandbetsypreis@gmail.com

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Date of incorporation: June 29, 2004      Federal Tax ID# EIN 20-1259568

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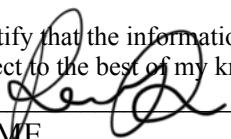
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2021 \$ <u>25,000.00</u>	2019 \$ <u>N/A</u>
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	Executive Director	September 15, 2023
NAME	TITLE	DATE

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10. What is the cost for participants to join this project?  
Organization Membership fee: No membership fee  
Project Participation fee: Class fees vary between \$0 and \$350
11. GVSA cannot guarantee full funding requested by the grantee. Please explain how the project manager can adapt if funding amount for this project is less than the amount requested:  
Other funding sources would be required. FVCS would continue to operate. Class fees would be raised by approximately 20% to pay for the entire cost of running the program. All staffing, insurance, facility fees, supplies, marketing, program development, and administration would need to be paid through class fees. We would most likely need to cut many programs, such as support for the Girdwood K-8 School Play, enrichment activities and support, as well as scholarships and financial aid. We would eliminate general community enrichment activities that required staffing, as well as discontinue evening openings of the Girdwood K-8 School gym for adult recreation to reduce our staffing hours. No classes or programs could be offered at no-fee.
- 12: Any other comments you would like to make about this program?  
We like to think of ourselves as the MOA partner in the "Recreation" component of Girdwood Parks & Recreation. FVCS programs are the primary source of recreational and social opportunities for community members of all ages in Girdwood, Bird, Indian and Portage. We have a history of 42 years in this community, and have been able to offer varied and quality programs locally. Since 1984, FVCS has administered public funds awarded to it by the GBOS for programs identified by the community as important and useful. Because we have a Memorandum of Agreement with the Anchorage School District, we are able to allow public access to the Girdwood K-8 School gym and utilize the facility after school hours. All the awarded monies goes to provide direct services to our community members. As a function of our mission, FVCS strives to be responsive to the diverse needs of local youth and adults. We take into consideration strengths, interest, and requests of our community. The classes and programs we plan aim to have positive outcomes for academic success, healthy lifestyles, broader recreational experiences, and character development for all ages. The recreational programs we offer in Girdwood keep families off the highway because there are classes available locally. FVCS has established collaborations and partnerships with local businesses and local non-profit organizations to continue providing the educational, recreational, and cultural services our community seeks. In 2024 we strive to re-stabilize our program revenue and not just come back to where we were in 2019, but be able to offer better and more diverse offerings of recreational classes and programs here in the Girdwood, Bird, Indian, and Portage communities. Thank you GBOS for your continued support of our program.



OPERATING EXPENSES FOR PROPOSED PROGRAM (Budget Form #1)						
ORGANIZATION NAME: Four Valleys Community School, Inc.						
Program Title: Four Valleys Community School						
This projected program budget covers the period of 1/1/24 to 12/31/24 in the calendar year 2024.						
Program Expenses					Breakdown	Budget
<b>PROGRAM STAFF:</b>						100,372
Salaries					80,393	
Employee benefits					2,664	
Payroll taxes					7,380	
Training & Travel					750	
Other:	Instructor payments (1099 Misc. type)				9,185	
<b>PROGRAM SUPPLIES/SERVICES:</b>						30,680
Operating Supplies (incl. All K-8 Enrichment Program suppl.)					14,640	
Office Supplies (incl. Postage)					1,200	
Printing/Publication					600	
Equipment Purchase/Rental					1,000	
Other:	Financial Aid				6,000	
	Fundraising/Gaming				6,400	
	Volunteer Appreciation				840	
<b>PROGRAM FACILITY:</b>						8,975
Rental & Utilities					8,975	
Maintenance expense					0	
Other:					0	
<b>PROGRAM TRANSPORTATION:</b>						5,000
Program owned vehicles					0	
Public vehicles					0	
Rental vehicles					5,000	
Private vehicles					0	
Other:						
<b>OVERHEAD EXPENSE:</b>						14,690
Portion of total organization's costs charged to this program, i.e. administration expense, space/rent/utilities, insurance, professional fees, etc.						
<b>TOTAL COST FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROGRAM:</b>					159,717	
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**FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROGRAM** (Budget Form #2)

ORGANIZATION NAME: Four Valleys Community School, Inc.

Program Title: Four Valleys Community School

This projected program budget covers the period of **1/1/24 to 12/31/24 in the calendar year 2024.**

Sources of Program Funding:	Goal Amount	Committed (Yes/No)
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Parent Organization

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Gifts and Contributions

28,000

Yes

Membership Dues

0

Fees &amp; Charges to participants

School year &amp; summer registration

77,717

Yes

Private Sector Grants (specify  
source & date of award)

KMTA Grant for Summer Adventure Camps

10,000

Yes

KMTA School Year Grant

3,000

Yes

Other Government Agency Funding  
(MOA, SOA, or USA)Fundraisers (specify major  
fundraising events/programs)

Community Sports Swap

6,000

Yes

Spring Fundraiser

10,000

Yes

Subtotal of Financial Support  
for this program:

134,717

Supplemental Funding Granted  
from MOA Parks & Recreation:

25,000

**TOTAL FUNDING FOR OPERATION  
OF THIS PROGRAM:**

159,717

**NON-PROFIT FUNDING APPLICATION EVALUATION WORKSHEET**  
**for Budget Year 2024**

- A. ORGANIZATION NAME: Four Valleys Community School
- B. PROJECT TO BE FUNDED: Four Valleys Community School
- C. GVSA RECREATION GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$25,000
- D. ANTICIPATED TOTAL ORGANIZATION OPERATING BUDGET: \$159,717
- E. GRANT PROJECT BUDGET: \$159,717
- F. PERCENT OF REQUESTED VS. TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (C/E): 16%
- G. NUMBER TO BE SERVED BY PROJECT: 1900 participants; 150 volunteers, 3 staff  
Total 2053
- H. REQUESTED GRANT MONEY PER PARTICIPANT C/G): \$12.18

**RATING WORKSHEET:** Please rate the following categories according to the indicated scales, with 1 being the lowest, and 5 being the highest. Additional space is given to provide comments about your evaluation of each categories and an overall impression of the grant request.

1. Project description is logical and easily understood Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
2. Application addresses evaluation criteria listed in the grant and evaluation Instructions (purpose, management, community support, specifics and appearance). Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
3. Application demonstrated need for this project Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
4. Project meets definition of "recreation" as outlined in grant and evaluation Instructions. Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
5. Number to be served by the project Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
6. Fees are reasonable Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:

7. Participation not restricted by membership requirements  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
8. Project has volunteer support  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
9. Facilities are adequate for purposed use  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
10. Project manager demonstrates resilience if funding does not match request  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
11. Initiative to seek other funding  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
12. Project does not duplicate services otherwise available in Girdwood  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
13. Track record of organization  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
14. Completeness and/or content of the application  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Comment of the project for grant funding:

Recommended Funding Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Evaluator \_\_\_\_\_

**MUNICIPALITY OF ANCHORAGE**  
**FUNDING REQUEST FOR NON-PROFIT RECREATION ORGANIZATIONS**

ORGANIZATION NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

ALTERNATE CONTACT PERSON: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PROJECT TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

GVSA FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL PROGRAM COST FOR 2024: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

1. Non-profit corporation? Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

If no, please list formal non-profit fiscal sponsorship entity: \_\_\_\_\_

Note: Responsibility for contract administration, meeting reporting requirements and insurance remain the responsibility of the organization applying for the grant.

Date of incorporation: \_\_\_\_\_ Federal Tax ID# \_\_\_\_\_

2. Organization's estimated TOTAL 2024 Operating Budget: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Parks & Recreation Grant Funding:

Previous Other MOA Grant Funding:

2021 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2021 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2022 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2022 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2023 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2023 \$ \_\_\_\_\_

3. How was previous grant funding from GVSA Non-Profit Recreation grants used?

\_\_\_\_\_

CERTIFICATION (must be signed by an AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE, who per your by-laws, has the authority to sign contracts or other legal documents on behalf of your organization)

I certify that the information contained in this application, including all attachments and supporting materials, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NAME

\_\_\_\_\_  
TITLE

\_\_\_\_\_  
DATE

# PROJECT INFORMATION

ORGANIZATION NAME \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Complete sections below. **Additional space to complete comments is on page 4, if needed.**

1. Summarize the project you are proposing. Include primary goals and objectives.

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2. What evaluation criteria will be used to determine if goals and objectives have been met? Be specific.

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A few of our evaluation metrics: full enrollments in all camp sessions that we observe year after year; number of sibling and need scholarships utilized by families; full apprentice crew and their post-camp evaluations

3. Describe why the project to be funded under this proposal is needed and how it will benefit the community. Is this a new or existing project? Is there unmet need or population that will be served with this project?

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4. Provide a brief history of your organization, especially as it relates to Girdwood Parks and Recreation.

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5. Explain how the proposed project meets the definition of recreation stated in the information packet.

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6. Is this project year-round, seasonal, or a one-time event? \_\_\_\_\_

Scheduled start date: \_\_\_\_\_

Scheduled end date: \_\_\_\_\_

7. Where will this project take place? What facilities will it use?

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8. How many people including participants, volunteers and staff, will participate in the project and for how many hours?

Number of Project Participants	_____	total participant hours	_____
Number of Project Volunteers	_____	total volunteer hours	_____
Number of Project Paid Staff	_____	total paid staff hours	_____

Total Number of participants, volunteers and staff: \_\_\_\_\_

Total number of project hours, overall: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Source of volunteers (parents, members, professionals, etc):

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Types of services provided by volunteers:

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- Total Cost per participant: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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# OPERATING EXPENSES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT (Budget Form #1)

ORGANIZATION NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

This proposed project budget covers the period of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ in  
*the calendar year of 2024.*

<u>Project Expenses</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>	<u>Budget</u>
PROJECT STAFF:		\$ _____
Salaries	_____	
Employee benefits	_____	
Payroll taxes	_____	
Training	_____	
Other: _____	_____	
PROJECT SUPPLIES/SERVICES:		\$ _____
Operating	_____	
supplies Office	_____	
Printing/Publication	_____	
Equipment Purchase/Rental	_____	
Other: _____	_____	
PROJECT FACILITY		\$ _____
Rental & Utilities	_____	
Maintenance	_____	
Other: _____	_____	
PROJECT TRANSPORTATION		\$ _____
Organization Owned	_____	
vehicles	_____	
Rental vehicles	_____	
Private vehicles	_____	
Other: _____	_____	
OVERHEAD EXPENSE		\$ _____
Portion of total organization's		
costs charged to this project, i.e.,		
administration expense,		
space/rent/utilities, insurance,		
professional fees, etc.		
TOTAL COST FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT:		\$ _____

## FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROJECT (Budget Form #2)

ORGANIZATION NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Title: \_\_\_\_\_

This proposed project budget covers the period of \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ *in the calendar year 2024.*

<u>Sources of Project Funding</u>	<u>Goal Amount</u>	<u>Committed (Yes/No)</u>
Parent Organization	\$ _____	_____
Gifts and Contributions	\$ _____	_____
Membership Dues	\$ _____	_____
Fees & Charges to participants	\$ _____	_____

List private sector funding. Specify source, amount, and date of award:

_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

List any other Government Agency Funding (MOA, SOA, or Federal). Specify source, funding amount and date of award:

_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

List fundraisers held by your organization. Specify event, funding amount generated, and date of event:

_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

List the in-kind support your organization receives and the approximate value:

_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____

Subtotal of Financial Support for this project: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Supplemental Funding Granted from MOA Parks & Recreation: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL FUNDING FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROJECT:** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*NOTE: Financial support should meet or exceed anticipated project expenditures. If it does not, you must provide an explanation. If the financial support is expected to exceed the expenditures by a substantial amount, please provide an explanation as to why grant funds are being requested for this project.*

**NON-PROFIT FUNDING APPLICATION EVALUATION WORKSHEET**  
**for Budget Year 2024**

- A. ORGANIZATION NAME: Girdwood Art Institute
- B. PROJECT TO BE FUNDED: Girdwood Fine Arts Camp
- C. GVSA RECREATION GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2024: \$6,625
- D. ANTICIPATED TOTAL ORGANIZATION OPERATING BUDGET: \$41,625
- E. GRANT PROJECT BUDGET: \$41,1625
- F. PERCENT OF REQUESTED VS. TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET (C/E): 15%
- G. NUMBER TO BE SERVED BY PROJECT: 70 students; 5 volunteers; 15 paid staff = 90 total
- H. REQUESTED GRANT MONEY PER PARTICIPANT C/G): \$73.60

**RATING WORKSHEET:** Please rate the following categories according to the indicated scales, with 1 being the lowest, and 5 being the highest. Additional space is given to provide comments about your evaluation of each categories and an overall impression of the grant request.

1. Project description is logical and easily understood Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
Comments:
2. Application addresses evaluation criteria listed in the grant and evaluation Instructions (purpose, management, community support, specifics and appearance). Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Project meets definition of "recreation" as outlined in grant and evaluation Instructions. Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Comments:
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Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_
14. Completeness and/or content of the application  
Comments: Score (1-5) \_\_\_\_\_

Total Score: \_\_\_\_\_

Overall Comment of the project for grant funding:

Recommended Funding Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Evaluator \_\_\_\_\_