Alcohol Tax = Prevention Funds
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Public Health: working for all of us all of the time!
Best Use of Prevention Funds
• **Recognizes** child abuse and neglect can lead to significant trauma

• **Believes** best solution is to mitigate trauma as early as possible in a child’s life

• **Can assist** by funding organizations that address Adverse Childhood Experiences and starting the foundations of a universal pre-k program.
Adverse Childhood Experiences

**ABUSE**
- PHYSICAL
- EMOTIONAL
- SEXUAL

**NEGLECT**
- PHYSICAL
- EMOTIONAL

**HOUSEHOLD DYSFUNCTION**
- MENTAL ILLNESS
- INCARCERATION OF A HOUSEHOLD MEMBER
- DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE
- PARENTAL SEPARATION OR DIVORCE

GRAPHIC SOURCE: NPR
Spatial Autocorrelation Between the Health Equity Index and Child Maltreatment (2017 Data)
Cumulative Incidence of OCS First Report

![Graph showing cumulative incidence over different age ranges.]

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Significant finding: the greater the number of ACEs, the greater the risk for an array of poor physical, mental and behavioral health outcomes for individuals throughout their lives.
AHD Suggestions

Evidence-Based Grants to Providers: $1.4M annually

AHD suggests seeking qualified non-profits to provide programs that prevent and reduce the impact of Adverse Childhood Experiences within the Municipality.*

*This would build on and expand existing $250K funding.
Current Proposal Criteria:

Must benefit children and/or adolescents in pre-K to 12th grade through either:

• Direct work with children/adolescents
• Work with parents or teachers/staff
Current Proposal Criteria:

Must ensure all grant services are delivered within Census tracts identified as having high:

- Reported child maltreatment victims
- Health Equity Index (HEI) ranks
Best use of prevention funds

Fund program services that:

- **Build/expand** on efforts to prevent/reduce impact of ACES through building resiliency

- Are **based on or informed by** the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) or U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) prevention frameworks
  
  - Use of **evidence-based or informed programs** being highly suggested
CDC: Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences

SIX FOCUS AREAS

- Treatment
- Family Economic Support
- Social Norms
- Child Supports
- Connecting Youth and Adults
- Skill Building
Examples of programs

Education efforts focused on parents, preschool teachers, and youth-serving organizations to increase awareness of ACEs in early childhood for lifelong outcomes in learning, behavior, and health.

Strategies incorporated into home-, school-, and center-based services to reduce sources of ACEs and to strengthen the relationships that buffer children from long-term consequences.

Selected early-intervention programs, early childhood mental health services, and specialized family therapies with demonstrated evidence of positive impacts on vulnerable children and families.

Collaborate with educators, youth services workers, and mental health providers to address urgent needs as early as possible and integrate effective services for most vulnerable children and families.
AHD Suggestions

Early Education Grants: $1.4M + annually

AHD suggests seeding the foundations for high-quality universal pre-K within the Municipality.
## Preventing Child Abuse and Neglect

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| Strengthen economic supports to families | - Strengthening household financial security  
  - Family-friendly work policies |
| Change social norms to support parents and positive parenting | - Public engagement and education campaigns  
  - Legislative approaches to reduce corporal punishment |
| Provide quality care and education early in life | - Preschool enrichment with family engagement  
  - Improved quality of child care through licensing and accreditation |
| Enhance parenting skills to promote healthy child development | - Early childhood home visitation  
  - Parenting skill and family relationship approaches |
| Intervene to lessen harms and prevent future risk | - Enhanced primary care  
  - Behavioral parent training programs  
  - Treatment to lessen harms of abuse and neglect exposure  
  - Treatment to prevent problem behavior and later involvement in violence |
High-Quality Universal Pre-K

Improves school readiness & academic achievement

Leads to better societal outcomes

Provides a significant financial return

Provides health benefits

Source: CityHealth. *High-Quality, Accessible Pre-K Policy Breakdown*. 2019
Selected Early Intervention

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT PRE-K PROGRAM BY THE NUMBERS

ONE CLASSROOM CAN SERVE 17 STUDENTS

$150K FOR STAFFING & $25K FOR START-UP MATERIALS & FURNITURE

ONE CLASS = $175K

476 KIDS ON WAITLIST (MOSTLY FROM TITLE 1 SCHOOLS)

$1.4 MILLION WOULD FUND APPROXIMATELY 8 PRE-K PROGRAMS (136 STUDENTS SERVED)
## Total Proposed

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Data Links

CDC: Child Abuse Prevention Technical Package
CDC: Sexual Violence Prevention Technical Package
ACES in Alaska
Economic Cost of ACES in Alaska
Data: ALCAN Link
Presentation Slides: ACES in Alaska
City Health Policies
Child Maltreatment Prevention: Past, Present, and Future
CDC: Preventing Adverse Childhood Experiences
DHSS: Framework for Prevention of Child Maltreatment
Questions?
Thank you!

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