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**To:** Members, Joint House & Senate State Affairs Committees

From: Mary Wilson, CEO

**Date:** 4/11/2024

**Re:** Follow-up to April 3, 2025 Presentation

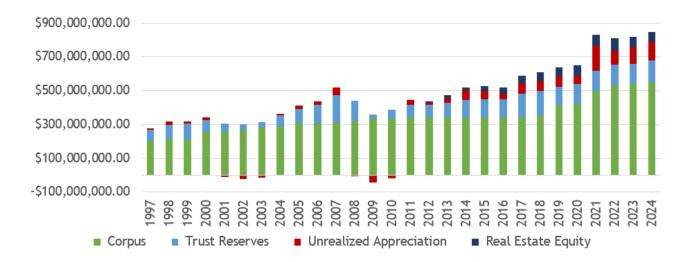
**MEMO** 

On behalf of the Trust, thank you for the opportunity to present before the Joint House and Senate State Affairs Committees and to share information about the Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority and our work on behalf of beneficiaries.

Below you will find responses to questions posed by the committee for which we pledged to provide follow-up information.

## 1) Sen. Bjorkman: What is the current value of the trust fund presently? (How has the original \$200M received by the Trust at inception grown?) What is the value of your land holdings?

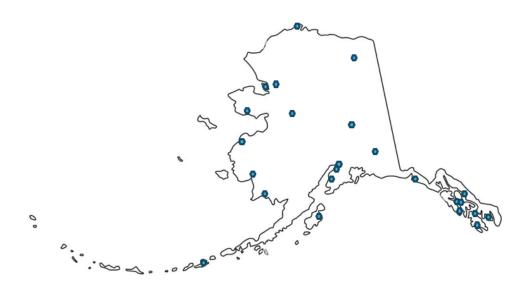
The chart below represents the value of Trust cash and invested assets at the end of FY24. The Mental Health Trust Fund, or corpus, is managed by the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation. As you can see, since inception our corpus has grown, this is due to principal revenues from activities on Trust lands, permanent transfers to the corpus for inflation proofing, and investment earnings.



The Trust currently holds approximately 1 million acres of land, but due to scale, remoteness, and varied land title, a full appraisal isn't feasible to provide an exact value at any point in time. Land value depends on the highest and best use, meaning some areas with mineral resources hold significantly more value than others. The TLO only appraises land on an as- needed basis for actions related to revenue generation.

## 2) We offered to share a visual of Trust grantmaking to illustrate communities in which Trust partners have received Trust grant funding.

The map below indicates the locations of/areas served by organizations that have received Trust grant funding between FY20-FY24. Not indicated on the map are the many grants we award each year that support programs impacting beneficiaries statewide.



You can find more detail about all Trust grants awards in our annual Trust Grant Investment Reports.

- FY 2020 Grant Investment Report
- FY 2021 Grant Investment Report
- FY 2022 Grant Investment Report
- FY 2023 Grant Investment Report
- FY 2024 Grant Investment Report

## 3) Following a series of questions about how the Trust determines projects and initiatives to fund, we pledged to send some documentation related to our stakeholder outreach supporting our budget development process.

Posted online you can find our most recent budget development stakeholder meeting summary, as well as the results of our annual stakeholder survey. These documents capture key areas of emphasis, priorities, and common themes that were discussed through our solicitations of input on how the Trust could best direct resources and efforts to improve the lives and circumstances of Trust beneficiaries.

We also offered to share our funding levels associated with our various focus areas. Below you will find the Trust investment in each of our focus areas in FY26.

Mental Health & Addiction Intervention (includes Behavioral Health Crisis Response) - \$7,037.0

- Disability Justice \$3,602.4
- Beneficiary Employment and Engagement \$1,675.0
- Housing &Home and Community Based Services \$4,318.3
- Workforce Development Priority \$2,240.0
- Early Childhood Intervention and Prevention Priority \$3,286.9

## 4) Sen. Bjorkman: Provide a list of current board members on the Advisory Board on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse (ABADA), including vacancies.

A board roster and other information about ABADA can be found on the Boards and Commissions' webpage. https://boards-cr.gov.alaska.gov/Active-Boards-and-Commissions/Board-Information/?id=0c46aecf-9950-e311-b376-00155d639117

While ABADA is an advisor to the Trust, the Trust does not have a role in naming members to the board or board management.

Please reach out to our offices if you have additional questions.