

Public Health

Positive Youth Development Afterschool Program

Granting Authority: 7AAC 78 - Grant Programs,

In accordance with AS 44.29.020(a), the Department of Health and Social Services is authorized to establish a youth services grant program.

Description of Services: The Positive Youth Development Afterschool Grant Program will fund community-based and state wide prevention programs that reduce initiation of marijuana use by minors, promote cessation of marijuana use among minors, reduce access of minors to marijuana products, reduce exposure of minors to impaired driving dangers from marijuana use, and enhance individual, family, school, and community protective factors that foster healthy development.

Assessment of Need: According to the 2017 Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey data, youth state-wide who take part in after-school activities are 29% less likely to have used marijuana in the past month. Extensive research has shown an individual's social condition, personal traits, genetic disposition, and life experience are associated with different types of healthy or unhealthy behavior. These social and personal influences are defined as risk and protective factors. Numerous risk and protective factors affect youth substance abuse, delinquency, and other risk behaviors. The more risk factors an adolescent has at the individual, family, school or community level, the more likely s/he is to engage in risk behaviors. The more protective factors present in an adolescent's life, the more likely s/he is to engage in pro-social and developmentally-healthy behaviors. For example, youth who experience adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), witness family members engaging in substance use, and live in disconnected or transient communities are more likely to engage in risk behaviors themselves. On the other hand, youth who have a positive self-concept, are engaged in meaningful activities, and are connected to their families and other adults in their community are more likely to avoid risk behaviors.

Service Delivery Area: Rural, urban, and state-wide youth serving organizations. Eligible applicants include local governments, schools, nonprofit organizations, state agencies, and institutions of higher education.

RBB Framework: Department Priorities

- 1 Health & Wellness Across the Life Span
- 3 Safe & Responsible Individuals, Families & Communities

Department Core Services

- 1.1 Protect and Promote the Health of Alaskans
- 3.3 Promote Personal Responsibility and Accountable Decisions by Alaskans

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Grantee	Service Area(s)	DHSS Region(s)	Election District(s)	Fund Source	Amount
Boys & Girls Clubs of Southcentral Alaska	Anchorage, Brevig Mission, Fairbanks, Kake, Kotzebue/Norton Sound Region, Metlakatla, Nome, Palmer, Utqiagvik, Wasilla	Anchorage, Interior, Kotzebue/Norton Sound, Northern, Southcentral, Southeast	1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 35, 36, 39, 40	Public Health Marijuana Education Treatment	\$250,000.00
Grant Award 601-305-20005 Total:					\$250,000.00
Camp Fire Alaska	Akiak, Alakanuk, Aniak, Chevak, Chuathbaluk, Crooked Creek, Hooper Bay, Igiugig, Kongiganak, Kotlik, Koyukuk, Kwigillingok, Lower Kalskag, Marshall, McGrath, Napakiak, Napaskiak, Nikolai, Nulato, Tatitlek, Tuntutuliak, Tununak, White Mountain	Bristol Bay/Kodiak, Interior, Kotzebue/Norton Sound, Southcentral, Yukon/Kuskokwim	32, 37, 38, 39	Public Health Marijuana Education Treatment	\$100,000.00
Grant Award 601-305-20006 Total:					\$100,000.00
Kachemak Bay Family Planning Clinic	Anchor Point, Fritz Creek, Homer, Kachemak	Southcentral	31, 32	Public Health Marijuana Education Treatment	\$100,000.00
Grant Award 601-305-20007 Total:					\$100,000.00
Project GRAD Kenai Peninsula	Fox River, Kenai Peninsula, Nikolaevsk, Ninilchik	Southcentral	31, 29, 30, 31, 32	Public Health Marijuana Education Treatment	\$250,000.00
Grant Award 601-305-20008 Total:					\$250,000.00
Residential Youth Care, Inc.	Ketchikan	Southeast	35, 36	Public Health Marijuana Education Treatment	\$200,000.00
Grant Award 601-305-20009 Total:					\$200,000.00
Rural Alaska Community Action Program, Inc.	Statewide	Statewide	99	Public Health Marijuana Education Treatment	\$250,000.00
Grant Award 601-305-20010 Total:					\$250,000.00

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United Way of Matanuska-Susitna Borough	Big Lake, Houston, Mat-Su Borough, Meadow Lakes, Wasilla	Southcentral	7, 8, 10, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12	Public Health Marijuana Education Treatment	\$100,000.00
Grant Award 601-305-20013 Total:					\$100,000.00
Program Total:					\$1,250,000.00