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3 \* Section 1. AS 29.60 is amended by adding new sections to read:

4 ARTICLE 8. HUMAN SERVICES COMMUNITY MATCH PROGRAM.

5 Sec. 29.60.600. HUMAN SERVICES COMMUNITY MATCHING GRANTS. (a)

6 Within the limits of appropriations for the purpose, the Department of Health and Social Services  
7 shall, upon application, make a matching grant to a qualified municipality equal to 50 percent  
8 of the estimated reasonable costs of providing essential human services through private nonprofit  
9 agencies within the municipality, including services to persons who travel to the municipality  
10 from their residences elsewhere in the state.

11 (b) To qualify for a grant under this section, a municipality is required to

12 (1) provide the same amount of money from other sources as is provided by the  
13 state grant under this section for the services; other sources may include federal or municipal

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1 money or money from other private or public sources; in this paragraph, "municipal money"  
2 includes money derived from appropriations, allocations, entitlements, grants, or other payments  
3 from the state other than the state grant under this section but does not include locally contributed  
4 staff hours, material, equipment, or other in-kind contributions;

5 (2) comply with the grant application procedure and contractual agreements under  
6 AS 29.60.610; and

7 (3) establish and consult with a citizens' advisory group, the majority of whose  
8 membership consists of persons who do not hold elected municipal office, concerning priorities  
9 and allocations among services funded under this section.

10 Sec. 29.60.610. GRANT PROCEDURE; CONTRACT. (a) If a qualified municipality  
11 wishes to apply for a grant under AS 29.60.600, the municipality shall apply for a grant for a  
12 fiscal year by submitting a form prescribed by the commissioner of health and social services  
13 before October 1 of the preceding fiscal year. The application must generally describe the  
14 services that are proposed to be funded with the grant and include the following information:

15 (1) a statement that each proposed service will meet the goals established under  
16 AS 47.75.010 and an explanation of why the service is necessary to prevent or alleviate serious  
17 mental or physical hardship; this explanation must be supported by a needs assessment carried  
18 out by the municipality;

19 (2) a description of the categories of individuals to whom the services are to be  
20 provided; and

21 (3) an estimate of the expenditures required for each of the services to be  
22 provided.

23 (b) A human services community matching grant shall be allotted in accordance with an  
24 agreement made between the grantee and the commissioner of health and social services on  
25 behalf of the state. The agreement may include any provision agreed upon by the parties and  
26 must include the following provisions:

27 (1) a statement by the grantee that the match requirement of AS 29.60.600 has  
28 been met by the grantee;

29 (2) estimates of reasonable costs of funding the services; and

30 (3) a requirement that no more than five percent of the grant money received  
31 under AS 29.60.600 may be used for municipal administrative costs connected with distributing

1 the grant money to the private nonprofit agencies providing the services.

2 Sec. 29.60.620. ALLOCATION OF MONEY. (a) If the amount of money appropriated  
3 by the legislature for human services community matching grants under AS 29.60.600 is not  
4 adequate to satisfy amounts required for the qualified municipalities who have applied for grants,  
5 the money shall be allocated proportionately among the qualified municipalities for which a grant  
6 has been approved under AS 29.60.600 - 29.60.650 based on the relationship the population of  
7 each municipality bears to the total population of the qualified municipalities for which a grant  
8 has been approved under AS 29.60.600 - 29.60.650.

9 (b) For purposes of (a) of this section, population shall be determined by the Department  
10 of Community and Regional Affairs based on the latest figures of the United States Bureau of  
11 the Census or other reliable population data. If a city within a borough has an approved grant  
12 for a service to be provided on an areawide basis, the allocation under (a) of this section shall  
13 be based on the population of the borough.

14 Sec. 29.60.650. DEFINITIONS. In AS 29.60.600 - 29.60.650,

15 (1) "essential human services" and "services" have the meaning given "social  
16 services" in AS 47.75.060 except that they include only services whose unavailability would  
17 subject persons needing the services to serious mental or physical hardship;

18 (2) "municipality" means a city whose population is over 20,000, as determined  
19 by the Department of Community and Regional Affairs, or a unified municipality whose  
20 population is over 100,000, as determined by the Department of Community and Regional  
21 Affairs.

22 \* Sec. 2. TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS. (a) This Act applies to matching grants under  
23 AS 29.60.600, enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, for fiscal year 1994 and subsequent fiscal years. Municipal  
24 applications for a grant for fiscal year 1994 must be submitted by October 1, 1992, under  
25 AS 29.60.610(a), as enacted by sec. 1 of this Act.

26 (b) Notwithstanding AS 29.60.600, as enacted by sec. 1 of this Act, the state human services  
27 community match under AS 29.60.600 shall equal 90 percent of estimated reasonable costs in fiscal year  
28 1994 and 70 percent of estimated reasonable costs in fiscal year 1995.

29 \* Sec. 3. This Act takes effect July 1, 1992.