

Introduced by:	Mayor
Date:	11/18/25
Hearing:	12/02/25
Action:	
Vote:	

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH
ORDINANCE 2025-19-19**

**AN ORDINANCE ACCEPTING AND APPROPRIATING FUNDING
FROM THE STATE OF ALASKA IN THE AMOUNT OF \$426,303 AND
APPROVING PROJECTS TO BE COMPLETED FOR COMMUNITY
PURPOSES UNDER THE 2025/2026 COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE
PROGRAM**

- WHEREAS,** the Alaska State Legislature has provided funding to municipalities and unincorporated communities through the Community Assistance Program ("Program"); and
- WHEREAS,** AS 29.60.865 requires the assembly of a borough or unified municipality to adopt a resolution identifying those unincorporated communities located within their municipal boundaries that the assembly determines meet the Program eligibility criteria established under AS 29.60.865; and
- WHEREAS,** Resolution 2025-024 certified that 27 unincorporated communities within the Borough are eligible for participation in the Program; and
- WHEREAS,** the Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development provided notification of funds in the amount of \$426,303 for the 27 unincorporated communities; and
- WHEREAS,** pursuant to Resolution 2013-022, an administrative fee of two percent of the grant amount will be charged against the grant to cover general administrative costs; and
- WHEREAS,** the \$426,303 less the administrative fee, is to be distributed evenly among the 27 unincorporated communities within the Borough, or may be expended by the Borough on behalf of the communities; and
- WHEREAS,** the Program allows funds to be used for any public purpose at the discretion of the local governing body and as allowed by state statutes and borough code; and
- WHEREAS,** 24 of the 27 unincorporated communities within the Borough have completed the required community public meeting to identify and recommend eligible projects to receive grant funding; and

WHEREAS, the grants administrator will work with the communities of Nanwalek, Razdolna and Ridgeway to identify a qualified entity to assume the fiduciary role on behalf of the communities; and

WHEREAS, the Borough will confirm all eligible entities to receive CAP funds; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the Borough to approve the amounts allocated for fiscal year 2026 non-profit or tribal entities, projects and award amounts as authorized in Resolution 2025-024 to ensure that the fiscal year 2026 Program funds are used for public purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH:

SECTION 1. That this is a non-code ordinance.

SECTION 2. That the Mayor is authorized to accept \$426,303 from the State of Alaska for distribution to eligible communities or for expenditure by the Borough on the community's behalf.

SECTION 3. That the Mayor is authorized to execute any documents deemed necessary to accept and expend the Community Assistance Program funds and to fulfill the intents and purposes of this ordinance.

SECTION 4. That the Mayor will return CAP funds to the State of Alaska for the communities of Nanwalek, Ridgeway and Razdolna if no qualified entity is identified to assume the fiduciary role on behalf of these communities by June 30, 2026.

SECTION 5. That State funds in the amount of \$426,303 are appropriated to account 271.94910.26CAP.49999 for fiscal year 2026.

SECTION 6. That the Mayor is authorized to enter into grant agreements and any other documents necessary with tribal or nonprofit organizations on behalf of the qualified unincorporated communities for public projects that benefit the community as identified in the following chart for fiscal year 2026:

Anchor Point	Anchor Kings Wrestling Club	Scholarships for wrestlers	\$2,211.34
	AP Chamber of Commerce	Beautification and landscaping	\$2,211.34
	AP Food Pantry	Food/utilities	\$2,211.35
	AP Public Library	Flooring replacement	\$2,211.35
	AP Senior Citizens	General operations	\$2,211.35
	AP VFW	Community outreach services	\$2,211.34
	Snomads	Parking and trail improvements	\$2,211.34
Bear Creek	Bear Creek Volunteer Fire and Emergency Services	Response equipment	\$5,979.41
	Seward Iditarod Trail Blazers	Trail repair & maintenance	\$3,000.00
	Seward Nordic Ski Club	Ski trails maintenance	\$6,500.00

Cohoe	MUSKEG Wellness	Home building workshops with natural supplies	\$15,479.41
Cooper Landing	Cooper Landing Community Club	Supports local community programs and operating costs.	\$15,479.41
Crown Point	Moose Pass Volunteer Fire Department	General operations	\$15,479.41
Diamond Ridge	Homer Cycling Club	Trailhead parking and service road improvements	\$2,579.91
	Homer Trails Alliance	Trail projects	\$2,579.90
	Kachemak Emergency Services Member Association	Response equipment	\$2,579.90
	Kachemak Nordic Ski Club	Nordic ski trail maintenance & repairs	\$2,579.90
	Kachemak Ski Club	Rope tow operational costs	\$2,579.90
	Snomads	Parking lot improvements & maintenance	\$2,579.90
Fox River	Homer Cycling Club	Trail development & improvements	\$5,159.81
	Kachemak Nordic Ski Club	Nordic ski trail maintenance & repairs	\$5,159.80
	Snomads	Parking lot and trailhead improvements & maintenance	\$5,159.80
Fritz Creek	Kachemak Emergency Services Member Association	Response equipment	\$5,159.81
	Kachemak Nordic Ski Club	Nordic ski trail maintenance & repairs	\$5,159.80
	McNeil Canyon Elementary School Community Council, Inc	McNeil Canyon trails enhancement	\$5,159.80
Funny River	Funny River Community Association	Operations	\$15,479.41
Hope	Hope Inc.	Hope Sunrise community services	\$15,479.41
Kachemak Selo	The Village of Kachemak Selo	Village street lights, and road repairs	\$15,479.41
Kalifornsky Beach	Bridges/Kenai Local Food Connection	Nutritional services	\$2,211.35
	Kenai Peninsula Animal Lovers Rescue	General operations	\$2,211.34
	Kenai Peninsula Food Bank	Holiday meals	\$2,211.35
	Love, INC	General operations	\$2,211.35
	Pathways Re-entry Center	General operations	\$2,211.34
	Peninsula Spay & Neuter Fund	Voucher program	\$2,211.34
	Tsalteshi Trails	Trails Management	\$2,211.34
Kasilof	Back Country Horsemen of Alaska	Trails maintenance	\$3,000.00
	Kasilof Cohoe Cemetery Association	Spruce Grove Cemetery maintenance	\$6,239.71
	Kasilof Regional Historical Association	Museum Operations	\$6,239.70

Lowell Point	Lowell Point Community Council	Community services and fire dept support	\$15,479.41
Moose Pass	Moose Pass Chamber of Commerce	Community support programs, services	\$15,479.41
Nikiski	Get Thrifty	Building repair & maintenance	\$2,579.90
	Love INC- Kenai Peninsula Shelter of Hope	General operations	\$2,579.90
	Nikiski Community Council	Community services	\$2,579.90
	Nikiski Senior Center	Community services - holiday meals	\$2,579.91
	North Road Pioneers	Preservation project General operations	\$2,579.90
	North Star United Methodist Church	Food Pantry	\$2,579.90
Nikolaevsk	Nikolaevsk Community Council	Water facility operations	\$15,479.41
Ninilchik	Bridges/Saturday Lunch Program	Weekend meals for students	\$3,869.86
	Ninilchik Library	Library Operations	\$3,869.85
	Ninilchik Senior Center	Flooring replacement	\$3,869.85
	Kenai Peninsula Fair Association	Facility repairs	\$3,869.85
Port Graham	Native Village of Port Graham	Emergency Preparedness	\$15,479.41
Primrose	Moose Pass Volunteer Fire Department	Operating expenses, medical supplies	\$15,479.41
Seldovia Village	Seldovia Village Tribe	Emergency response training & surplus fire engine purchase	\$15,479.41
Sterling	Sterling Area Seniors Center	General Operations	\$7,739.71
	Sterling Community Center	General Operations	\$7,739.70
Tyonek	Boys & Girls Club of Alaska	Youth services - general operations	\$15,479.41
Voznesenka	Voznesenka Community Council	Strokya building completion and beautification	\$15,479.41

SECTION 7. That upon identifying an eligible fiduciary and qualifying project within the communities of Nanwalek, Razdolna, and Ridgeway, and upon the respective community's completion of the public meeting requirement to identify and recommend qualifying projects, the mayor is authorized to enter into grant agreements and any other documents necessary with tribal or nonprofit organizations on behalf of the qualified unincorporated communities for public projects that benefit the community as outlined in the following chart for fiscal year 2026:

Nanwalek	Eligible fiduciary to be identified by 6/30/2026 Possible recipient: Nanwalek IRA Council	TBD - project(s) eligibility will be confirmed prior to awarding funds	\$15,479.41
Razdolna	Eligible fiduciary to be identified by 6/30/2026 Possible recipient: Village of Razdolna	TBD - project(s) eligibility will be confirmed prior to awarding funds	\$15,479.41
Ridgeway	Eligible fiduciary to be identified by 6/30/2026 Possible recipient: TBD	TBD - project(s) eligibility will be confirmed prior to awarding funds	\$15,479.41

SECTION 8. That each eligible non-profit or tribal entity, representing an unincorporated community, must enter into a grant agreement with the Borough prior to receipt of any community assistance program funds.

SECTION 9. That due to the length and nature of this project, a community shall forfeit any remaining grant distribution at the end of two consecutive fiscal years if the community has not fulfilled the intent and purpose of its grant agreement.

SECTION 10. If any provision of this ordinance or its application to any person or circumstance is held invalid, the remainder of the ordinance or the application of the provision to other persons or circumstances will not be affected.

SECTION 11. This ordinance shall be effective retroactively to July 1, 2025.

ENACTED BY THE ASSEMBLY OF THE KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH THIS * DAY OF *, 2025.

Ryan Tunseth, Assembly President

ATTEST:

Michele Turner, CMC, Borough Clerk

Yes:

No:

Absent: