

# Kenai Peninsula Borough

## Community & Fiscal Projects

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### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Brent Johnson, President

**THRU:** Charlie Pierce, Mayor *CP*  
Brandi Harbaugh, Finance Director *BH*

**FROM:** Rachel Chaffee, Community & Fiscal Projects Manager *RC*

**DATE:** March 24, 2022

**RE:** Resolution 2022-D17 Approving Twenty-Six Unincorporated Communities for Participation in the State's Fiscal Year 2021 Community Assistance Program (Mayor)

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The Community Assistance Program provides state funding for unincorporated communities to complete public projects or services through nonprofit or tribal entities that agree to be the be the fiduciary. The Community & Fiscal Project Manager will oversee the program.

For unincorporated communities within a borough, the borough is required to annually evaluate the eligibility of unincorporated communities, ensuring that the communities meet the required program regulations as outlined in the Alaska Administrative Code and Alaska Statutes Title 29.

The eligibility requirements are generally available to all residents of the community:

1. Minimum population of 25 persons
2. Three of the following seven services must be generally available to all residents of the community:
  - a. Fire protection
  - b. Emergency medical services
  - c. Water/Sewer
  - d. Solid waste management
  - e. Public road/ice road maintenance
  - f. Public health
  - g. Search & rescue
3. Native or unincorporated nonprofits within the community must be willing to be the fiscal agent and provide the program or product(s) to the public. In addition, a Native village Council must waive immunity from suits for claims arising out of activities of the council related to the payment.

This resolution will recognize 26 unincorporated communities and entities eligible to participate in the 2022/2023 Community Assistance Program, which must be submitted with the Borough's application to the State of Alaska. The estimated amount to be allocated to each community is undetermined at this time.

Your consideration of this resolution is appreciated.