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## **Our Mission Statement**

To insure honor, dignity, security, and independence for older Alaskans; assistance in maintaining meaningful and quality lives.

Serving senior citizens since 1978

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April 5, 2021

Mayor Charlie Pierce 144 N. Binkley Soldotna, AK 99669

RE: Acceptance of the SSCI FY22 Senior Citizen Grant

Dear Mayor Pierce,

The Seward Senior Center has served the community of Seward since 1978, essential and unduplicated senior services, providing valuable nutrition, transportation and a wealth of support services, aiding our senior community between Seward and Moose Pass, the success to live independently in their respective communities.

Please accept this letter as a request to honor the tardy FY22 grant application, due to an oversight from the Executive Director, a first in 20 years. Of all years, this is one of the most important years to not fall short in our strained budget, possibly forcing us to add a wait list to our nutritional services if we lose access to this valuable partnership with the Kenai Peninsula Borough, where senior citizens are taken into consideration in every borough conversation.

Please do not hold this lack of timeliness against Seward's elderly population, whom heavily rely on the center to meet their activities of daily living.

I apologize for this oversight on missing this annual deadline and encourage you to see that this action is out of character of our staff at the Seward Senior Center. We strive daily to serve our senior community empowering and educational services. Together we uphold and strengthen senior citizens ability to age in place.

Thank you for your serious consideration of this request.

Dana Paperman, Executive Director

