## Kenai Peninsula Borough

Community \& Fiscal Projects

# MEMORANDUM 

TO: Brent Johnson, Assembly President Members, Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

THRU: Charlie Pierce, Mayor ak Brandi Harbaugh, Finance Director BH

FROM: Brenda Ahlberg, Community \& Fiscal Projects Manager $B Z$
DATE: October 25, 2021
RE: Ordinance 2021-19-29, Approving and Appropriating Funding from the State of Alaska in the Amount of $\$ 167,897.40$ for the Healthy and Equitable Communities Program, a Federal Pass-Thru Award under the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (Mayor)

The State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services, Division of Public Health (DHSS) is providing funding, through a federal pass-thru program, to municipalities to help to increase access to COVID-19 testing; to build capacity to increase access to vaccinations; and, to address recovery activities. The borough's calculated allocation is $\$ 237,043.12$. A portion of the allocated funds may be directly designated to the cities of Kenai and Soldotna.

Working collaboratively, the borough and the cities recommened to DHSS that directly awarding each city with an additional allocation proportionate to their municipal allocation (City of Kenai $\$ 43,298.45$ and Soldotna $\$ 25,847.27$ ) would increase efficiencies and maximize the benefit to the public.

The borough will enter into a subrecipient agreement with South Peninsula Hospital ("Hospital") to pass on it's remaining allocation in the amount of $\$ 167,897.40$ to support it's ongoing programs. This recommendation is based upon the Hospital's financial need to continue their exemplary community health programs. Upon approval, the borough will enter into a memorandum of agreement with DHHS to reimburse the proposed activities in the attached budget narrative.

The Community \& Fiscal Projects Manager will provide grant oversight. Your consideration of this ordinance is appreciated.

Attachment: DHSS Program and Muni Allocations


