

## Partnership Grant Guidelines

### ABOUT THE TRUST

The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority is a state corporation that administers the Alaska Mental Health Trust, a perpetual trust, to improve the lives of beneficiaries. The Trust operates much like a private foundation, using its resources to provide leadership in advocacy, planning, implementing, and funding of a Comprehensive Integrated Mental Health Program. More information about the Comp Plan can be found at:

<http://dhss.alaska.gov/Commissioner/Pages/MentalHealth/default.aspx>

Beneficiaries of the Trust include the following broad groups of Alaskans with:

- mental illness
- developmental disabilities
- chronic alcoholism and other substance related disorders
- Alzheimer’s disease and related dementia
- traumatic brain injuries

The Trust also works in prevention and early intervention services for individuals at risk of becoming beneficiaries. The Trust considers prevention of these conditions, where possible, to be part of its mandate.

### PARTNERSHIP GRANTS

<b>WHAT?</b>	<p>The Trust awards partnership grants to organizations that serve Trust beneficiaries for a specific purpose or need that is consistent with the Trust’s mission and current funding priorities.</p> <p>Typically partnership grants are one time grants with a one year term, up to \$50,000.</p>
<b>WHO?</b>	<p>Eligible organizations for partnership grants are foundations, government agencies, tribal entities, nonprofits and corporations who serve Trust beneficiaries.</p>

<p><b>WHY?</b></p>	<p>The purpose of the partnership grant program is to work with our partners to provide support for programs or projects that will benefit Trust beneficiaries with demonstrable impact.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>GENERAL FUNDING GUIDELINES</b></p>	
<p><b>How to Apply</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete and submit a Letter of Interest form, located at: <a href="https://alaskamentalthtrust.org/alaska-mental-health-trust-authority/grants/partnership-grants/">https://alaskamentalthtrust.org/alaska-mental-health-trust-authority/grants/partnership-grants/</a></li> <li>• Letters of Interest are due to the Trust by the <b>15<sup>th</sup> of each month</b>, with the exceptions of December and July, which will default to the 15<sup>th</sup> of January and August respectively.</li> <li>• Once the Letter of Interest is received, you will be contacted and notified within approximately three weeks if the request will be moving to the full online application stage of the process.</li> </ul> <p>Typically the process, from letter of interest submission, to final approval by the Trust will take 2-3 months.</p>
<p><b>To be considered, all funding requests MUST:</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clearly identify the specific Trust beneficiary group (or groups) to be served.</li> <li>• Provide a clear and strong connection between the beneficiary group(s) being served and how the proposed project will directly impact beneficiaries.</li> <li>• Not duplicate services provided elsewhere in local, state or federal government.</li> </ul>

FUNDING EXAMPLES		
<b>Pilot Projects</b>	Requests will be considered that implement promising and/or emerging practices and evidence based models that will produce or rely on data to assess beneficiary impact.	<b>YES</b>
<b>Capital Construction Projects</b>	Requests will be considered for new construction or major renovations for facilities that provide direct services to Trust beneficiaries. (For example, if 25 percent of the recipients are Trust beneficiaries, the funding request cannot exceed 25 percent of the cost of the program.)	<b>YES</b>
<b>Inclusive Projects</b>	Where a project serves both Trust beneficiaries and non-beneficiaries, funding will generally be proportional.	<b>YES</b>
<b>Prevention Projects</b>	Requests will be considered only if there is a strong rationale and connection to Trust beneficiaries. Proposals will need to explain how the project will gather data that shows the effects of the prevention project.	<b>YES</b>
<b>Continuing Operating Funds</b>	Requests will not be considered for ongoing operating expenses, such as personnel, services, or facilities rental.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Continuation Funding</b>	Proposals will not be considered that request funds to continue a previously funded Trust grant.	<b>NO</b>
<b>Vehicles/Fuel</b>	Requests for vehicles (e.g., vans, 4-wheeler, snow machines, boats/boat motors), fuel or maintenance will not be funded under this grant program.	<b>NO</b>

## QUESTIONS

<b>What other funding is available from the Trust?</b>	Complete details and application procedures for all grants can be found on the Trust's website ( <a href="https://alaskamentalhealthtrust.org/about/grants/">https://alaskamentalhealthtrust.org/about/grants/</a> ).
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