

Impact of the Loss of AHFC Basic Homeless Assistance Program (BHAP) Funding

The Basic Assistance Homeless Assistance Program (BHAP) provides shelter and services to Alaska's neediest. To eliminate <u>ALL</u> funding for this essential program - especially with the impending impacts of a downturn in the economy - will actually cost the state more, while leaving increasing numbers of Alaskans homeless. (An \$8 million dollar loss in funding)

Capital Budget: Department of Revenue: AHFC Basic Homeless Assistance Program

Fund Source	FY09	FY10	FY11	FY12	FY13	FY14	FY15	FY16
GF				\$ 6,300	\$ 6,300	\$ 6,300	\$ 6,300	\$ 0
GF/MH	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 850	\$ 850	\$ 850	\$ 850	\$ 0
MHTAAR	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,150	\$ 1,150	\$ 850	\$ 850	\$ 850	\$ 850	\$ 0
AHFC	\$ 3,500		\$ 3,350					\$ 0
Fed		\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000					\$ 0
AIDEA			\$ 3,000					\$ 0
Statutory designation	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,000						\$ 0
AK Capital Fund		\$ 4,000						\$ 0
Total (in thousands)	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,650	\$10,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 8,000	\$ 0

Eliminating BHAP will be costly to Alaska

- Federal matching funds will be jeopardized; HUD Continuum of Care(\$3.6 million), Administration of Children & Families, and more.
- Cuts will result in shelters closing down, staff reductions, the elimination of prevention services (e.g. rental assistance), and poorer quality food and services.
- Also expected: displacement/loss of housing, increased emergency service utilization, increased recidivism, elimination of all youth outreach in Anchorage, and more deaths on the street.
- BHAP is the sole source of funding for 5 communities.

Anchorage: Partners for Progress program would be eliminated; 40-50 homeless prison reentrants each month would be unhoused and more likely to recidivate.

Fairbanks: Cuts jeopardize the operation of the Fairbanks Rescue Mission that houses 150 people per night—the only adult emergency shelter in the Interior region.

Mat-Su: BHAP funds the collaboration of 8 agencies to prevent homelessness, elimination will endanger the 2,700 households currently being served.

Nome: The NEST Shelter has saved lives and created a 32% drop in alcohol-related police actions & corrections admissions, and 25% decrease in alcohol-related emergency room visits during winter months. All NEST's homeless prevention services will be cut.

GOAL: RESTORE FUNDING FOR BHAP TO THE FY2015 LEVEL OF \$8 MILLION

BHAP Funding can be restored in Capital Bills SB 26 and HB 71 & Mental Health Bills SB 28 and HB 73

Agencies Impacted: Funding Lost

Community

Organization

Organization	Community	Award
Alaska Mental Health Consumer Web	Anchorage	\$96,496
Alaska Youth Advocates	Anchorage	\$56,079
Anchorage Community Mental Health	Anchorage	\$180,508
AWAIC	Anchorage	\$251,502
Catholic Social Services	Anchorage	\$837,213
Covenant House	Anchorage	\$387,075
New Life Development	Anchorage	\$245,858
Partners for Progress	Anchorage	\$144,267
RurAL CAP	Anchorage	\$74,237
Safe Harbor Inn	Anchorage	\$217,037
Shiloh Community Housing, Inc.	Anchorage	\$148,444
The Salvation Army - McKinnell	Anchorage	\$80,124
Tundra Women's Coalition	Bethel	\$62,930
Fairbanks Rescue Mission	Fairbanks	\$293,838
Fairbanks Youth Advocates	Fairbanks	\$183,040
Interior Center for Non-Violent Living	Fairbanks	\$50,000
The Salvation Army - Fairbanks	Fairbanks	\$148,769
South Peninsula Haven House	Homer	\$94,380
GHS ,Glory Hole, & 3 other agencies	Juneau	\$589,883
Love INC of the Kenai Peninsula	Kenai	\$307,260
The Lee Shore Center	Kenai	\$50,509
Love INC Gateway Affiliate	Ketchikan	\$97,034
Kodiak Brother Francis Shelter	Kodiak	\$231,126
Valley Charities, Inc. (8 agencies)	Mat-Su	\$894,286
Nome Emergency Shelter Team - NEST	Nome	\$115,355
The Salvation Army - Sitka	Sitka	\$72,160
The Salvation Army - Small Community	Southeast	\$27,825
Unalaskans Against Sexual Assault - USAFV	Unalaska	\$27,571