

# Grant Approval Memo



**Grantee:** Hope Community Resources, Inc.  
**Request Amount:** \$50,000.00  
**Project Title:** Exterior Siding Replacement for Assisted Living Home in Kenai  
**Grant Term:** 3/1/2026 to 7/31/2026  
**Fund Source:** FY26 Partnership/Designated Grants  
**Trust Staff:** Samantha Ponts

## **Requested Motion:**

*The Program and Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a \$50,000 authority grant to Hope Community Resources, Inc. for the Exterior Siding Replacement for Assisted Living Home in Kenai grant. These funds will come from the Partnerships/Designated Grants line of the FY26 budget.*

## **Staff Analysis:**

- What does this project do?  
Trust funds will support replacement of the exterior siding on one of Hope Community Resources, Inc. assisted living homes in Kenai. The project will involve removing the current exterior siding and installing new PVC siding. The home was built in 1987 and no longer provides adequate weather protection or energy efficiency.
- Who is receiving the funds?  
Hope Community Resources, Inc. is a non-profit organization that provides services and supports to individuals and families across Alaska who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities, traumatic brain injuries, mental health challenges, and complex medical conditions. Hope celebrated its 56th anniversary in October 2024 and was recognized as one of the top 50 non-profits in Alaska. Hope operates in six regions of Alaska – Anchorage, Kenai, MatSu, Kodiak, Seward, and Utqiagvik,
- Why is staff recommending this project?  
Hope operates more than 50 assisted living homes across Alaska, serving Trust beneficiaries who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities. Hope's mission is to provide services and support that are requested and designed by individuals and families who experience disabilities, promoting choice, control, family preservation, and community inclusion. These homes offer living arrangements tailored to each person's needs. This particular home currently supports two Trust beneficiaries. Replacing the exterior siding will protect the home's structural integrity and support a safe living environment for the residents in the years ahead.
- Will this be a multi-year project?  
This is a one-time funding request.

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## **Trust Five Year Funding History**

<b><u>Fiscal Year</u></b>	<b><u>Project Title</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>	<b><u>Status</u></b>	<b><u>Final Expended</u></b>
FY25	Flooring replacement for two Assisted Living Homes	\$50,000	Closed	\$36,881
FY23	Denali Village Planning and Development	\$50,000	Closed	\$41,261

## **Comp Plan Identification**

<b><u>Area of Focus</u></b>	<b><u>Objective</u></b>	<b><u>Comments</u></b>
Area of Focus 3: Economic & Social Well-being	3.1 Alaskans have stable, safe housing with appropriate, community-based social supports to maintain tenancy	

## **Trust Focus Area Connection**

<b><u>Budget Area</u></b>	<b><u>Strategy</u></b>	<b><u>Comments</u></b>
Housing & Home & Community Based Services	HHCBS - Beneficiaries have safe, stable housing with tenancy supports	

## **Project Description (from grant application)**

We are seeking funds to replace the exterior siding of one of our assisted living homes in Kenai, Alaska—a 2,048-square-foot property. The home was built in 1987, and the siding is deteriorating and no longer provides adequate weather protection or energy efficiency. This leads to higher utility costs, ongoing maintenance needs, and less comfort for the residents and staff.

The project will entail removing the existing siding and installing new Celect® PVC siding by Royal. This siding is very durable and weather-resistant. It is thicker and longer-lasting than traditional materials, which will improve the energy efficiency and protection of the home. The new siding will extend the life of the home and improve living conditions for the people who live and work there. Hope provides services and supports to people who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities. One of the ways we serve Alaskans is by providing safe, accessible, affordable residential housing across the state of Alaska, including in Kenai. This home currently supports two Trust beneficiaries. Secondary beneficiaries include family members and direct support staff.

If this project is funded, we anticipate several outcomes. First, the safety and comfort of the people we support (and their staff) will be significantly improved through better insulation and energy efficient siding. It will also reduce maintenance and operational costs by eliminating issues with the aging siding. Finally, replacing the siding will increase the overall value and longevity of the home, helping it to remain a safe and stable property for years to come.

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This project has strong support from the people who live in the home, the staff who work closely with them, and the Kenai community which cares very much about providing high-quality housing for people with disabilities. Everyone involved recognizes how important it is to keep this home safe, durable, and comfortable. This investment reflects our community's shared commitment to making sure the people Hope supports have safe, stable, reliable, and long-lasting housing.

## **Performance Measures**

Provide a narrative describing the timeline (including date of final inspection), activities, successes, challenges, and any lessons learned during the purchase and installation of PVC exterior siding for one of Hope's assisted living homes. Be sure to include electronic photographs of the old siding on the structure (before removal), as well as the new siding installed on the home.

## **Sustainability (from grant application)**

This is a one-time capital project, but the work completed will benefit the home for many years to come. Celect® PVC siding has a long service life and low maintenance requirements, which will reduce future repair costs. Ongoing operational expenses—including utilities and building upkeep—will continue to be supported through existing organizational funding streams and property maintenance budgets.

## **Who We Serve (from grant application)**

This project directly benefits people who experience intellectual and developmental disabilities by making sure they continue to have access to safe and high-quality housing. Replacing the home's siding will improve its durability. These improvements support long-term independence, stability, and quality of life for Trust beneficiaries. Secondary beneficiaries include staff and family members, and they will also benefit from the updated siding and less frequent property maintenance issues.

## **Estimated Numbers of Beneficiaries Served Experiencing (from grant application)**

Developmental Disabilities:	2
Secondary Beneficiaries (family members or caregivers providing support to primary beneficiaries):	4

## **Project Budget (from grant application)**

Personnel Services Costs	\$27,500.00
Personnel Services Costs (Other Sources)	\$11,000.00
Personnel Services Narrative	Contract labor for removal and replacement of siding, including skilled installation of Celect® PVC siding.

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Supplies Costs	\$22,500.00
Supplies Costs (Other Sources)	\$22,500.00
Supplies Narrative	Purchase of Celect® PVC siding panels, starter strips, corner posts, drip caps, and other necessary installation materials.

Other Costs	\$0.00
Other Costs (Other Sources)	\$0.00
Other Costs Narrative	In addition to the funds requested from the Trust, Hope will contribute additional funding to the project, which will come from an upcoming sale of one of our other properties.

### **Other Funding Sources (from grant application)**

Hope Community Resources	\$20,000.00
<b>Total Leveraged Funds</b>	<b>\$20,000.00</b>