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MEMO

To: John Morris, Chair, Program and Planning Committee
Date: October 15, 2026
Re: Authority Grant Requests of $250,000 or more and/or requests that have a term of more than 12 months

On an ongoing basis, the Trust receives grant requests from organizations around the state that serve Trust beneficiaries. Trust program staff review these requests to assess their fit with the Trust's mission and current funding priorities. Following this review, this memo lists four items that are recommended by Trust staff for approval by the Board of Trustees. These requests have been evaluated by Trust program staff and a memo has been prepared that contains the information provided by the applicant, an analysis explaining the program staff's recommendation, the request's connection to the Comprehensive Integrated Mental Health Plan, and the proposed performance measures that will be assigned to assess each grant's outcomes. An executive summary of each project that includes a link to the complete application memo follows.

Priority Area: Prevention & Early Intervention

1. **Volunteers of America Alaska, Closing the Gap: MTSS-Based School Mental Health Services for Anchorage and Rural Alaska Youth**
   Link to Full Memo

Requested Motion:

The Program and Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a $1,500,00 authority grant to Volunteers of America Alaska for the Closing the Gap: MTSS-Based School Mental Health Services for Anchorage and Rural Alaska Youth grant.

2. **Grant Amendment – All Alaska Pediatric Partnership, Help Me Grow Alaska: Community Outreach, Care Coordination and Developmental Screening**
   Link to Full Memo

Requested Motion:

The Program and Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees increase the grant amount for the FY27 Help Me Grow Alaska: Community Outreach, Care Coordination and Developmental Screening grant to the All-Alaska Pediatric Partnership by $700,000. The new total grant amount will be $1,000,000.

3. **Robertson Enterprises, Inc., Grounded in Care: Embedded Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation at Carousel Child Care Center**
   Link to Full Memo

Requested Motion:

The Program and Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a $113,696 authority grant to Robertson Enterprises for the Grounded in Care: Embedded Infant and Early Childhood Mental Health Consultation at Carousel Child Care Center grant.

Priority Area: Crisis Response

4. **Anchorage Community Mental Health Services dba Alaska Behavioral Health, Fairbanks Mobile Crisis Team**
   Link to Full Memo

Requested Motion:

The Program and Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a $750,000 authority grant to Anchorage Community Mental Health Services dba Alaska Behavioral Health for the Fairbanks Mobile Crisis Team grant.

Priority Area: Treatment & Recovery

5. **Camai Community Health Center, Inc., Safe Spaces for Healing: Behavioral Health Talking and Safe Room Improvements at Cama'i Community Health Center**
   Link to Full Memo

Requested Motion:

The Program and Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a $700,000 authority grant to the Camai Community Health Center for the Safe Spaces for Healing: Behavioral Health Talking and Safe Room Improvements at Cama'i Community Health Center grant.

Priority Area: Ongoing Support & Wellbeing

6. **Kenai Peninsula Housing Initiatives, Inc., Rainbow Flats II & III**
   Link to Full Memo

Requested Motion:

The Program and Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees approve a $350,000 authority grant to Kenai Peninsula Housing Initiatives for the Rainbow Flats II & III grant.

7. **Contract Approval – Home and Community Based Services Assessment**
   Link to Full Memo

Requested Motion:

The Program and Planning Committee recommends that the Board of Trustees allocate up to $400,000 in authority grant funds for the 2027 Leading Practices Academy in Infrastructure Development contract.