

Project SEARCH Adult Expansion Initiative

GCDSE Priority #1

\$150,000 FY28 MHTAAR

Expand a proven employment model to adults with I/DD

- Launch Alaska's first adult-focused Project SEARCH site
- Juneau / Bartlett Regional Hospital under development
- Real-world internships → competitive integrated employment
- Sustain statewide coordination, fidelity & technical assistance
- Build toward a second adult site in FY29

BENEFICIARY IMPACT More employment • independence • economic stability

Universal Changing Spaces Assistance Fund

GCDSE Priority #2

\$250,000 FY28 MHTAAR

Expand safe, dignified access to community spaces

- Continue & expand the FY27 statewide grant program- RFI currently underway
- Fund adult-sized changing tables and accessible spaces
- Majority of funding goes directly to installation grants
- Serve public facilities, nonprofits, businesses & communities
- Advance universal changing spaces as standard accessibility

BENEFICIARY IMPACT Dignity • safety • caregiver support • community inclusion

Statewide Self-Advocacy Leadership & Support

GCDSE Priority #3

\$150,000 FY28 MHTAAR

Ensure people with I/DD lead, participate and influence

- Strengthen statewide self-advocacy infrastructure
- Support leadership development, training & peer connection
- Reduce geographic barriers for rural and underserved Alaskans
- Fund accessible participation, travel, stipends & outreach
- Center self-advocate voices in policy and systems change

BENEFICIARY IMPACT Leadership • self-determination • statewide representation