



Citizen Participation Meeting

on constructing a new Education Campus
Kenaitze Indian Tribe

For Public Comment — January 22, 2020

Kenaitze Indian Tribe plans to submit a proposal to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the FY 2019-20 Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Program. If awarded, these funds would support construction of a new Education Campus located at the corner of South Forest Drive and the Kenai Spur Hwy (across from the National Guard Armory), and will house the Tribe's Head Start and Early Head Start (E/HS), Alaska Native Education (ANE), and Yaghanen Youth programs.

2:00 pm – 3:00 pm
Location: Tyotkas Elder Center

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Community Development Statement

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Kenaitze Indian Tribe is publicly posting this Community Development Statement in accordance with 24 CFR 1003.604 – Citizen Participation. Kenaitze Indian Tribe plans to submit a proposal to the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) for the FY 2019-20 Indian Community Development Block Grant (ICDBG) Program to support construction of a new Education Campus. The site selected for construction is located at the corner of South Forest Drive and the Kenai Spur Hwy (across from the National Guard Armory), and will house the Tribe’s Head Start, Early Head Start, Alaska Native Education (ANE), and Yaghanen Youth programs. Kenaitze Indian Tribe has not previously received ICDBG funds.

For the FY 2019-20 solicitation, the total HUD funding allocation for Alaska is \$7,885,067. The grant award ceiling established for each proposal in the Alaska region is \$800,000. ICDBG funds can be used to support the following community development and housing activities:

- New Housing Construction Projects;
- Housing Rehabilitation Projects (houses owned and/or managed by the Tribe or TDHE);
- Land Acquisition to Support New Housing, Homeownership Assistance, Public Facilities and Improvements, and Microenterprise Projects;
- **Public Facilities and Infrastructure Projects** (*this option is most applicable for the current Education Campus construction proposal being considered by the Tribe*)
- Economic Development Projects; and,
- Microenterprise Programs (commercial entities with five or fewer employees).

The range of activities that may be undertaken include Clearance and Demolition; Comprehensive Planning; Energy Efficiency/Green Development; Lead-Based Paint Evaluation and Hazard Control; Privately and Publicly Owned Commercial or Industrial Buildings (real property improvements under Economic Development); Privately Owned Utilities; Removal of Architectural Barriers; and, Mold.

The Tribe will consider any comments and views expressed by participants of a public meeting held **Wednesday, January 22, 2020** and, where deemed appropriate, modify the grant proposal as needed. Comments and Views:



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Agenda — Wednesday, January 22, 2020

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ICDBG Purpose: development of viable AN/AI communities by creating decent housing and public facilities for persons with low and moderate incomes (LMI)

- Maximum award is \$800,000 per project for a maximum term of three (3) years.
- Matching funds of 25% or more will maximize scoring under Rating Factor 4; currently, the Tribe has secured \$6,523,519 in grant funding from the Office of Head Start toward this effort.
- Based on HUD LMI data, population in the Kenaitze service area is approximately 43 percent LMI, which means our application will score zero (0) points in Rating Factor 2.2.a; alternatively, programs such as E/HS, which are statutorily mandated to serve LMI community members, will score the maximum of ten (10) points for this Rating Factor.
- For the FY19-20 ICDBG solicitation, HUD has included a scoring criterion on projects that connect to Tribal youth; a strong connection will earn maximum points for Rating Factor 2.3
- The 2018 ANE discretionary award is intended to support multipurpose and playground construction at the new Education Campus; the value of this award is \$1.5M

ANA Purpose: increase capacity to implement a Dena'ina language program

- Maximum award is \$300,000 per year for a maximum term of three (3) years.
- Matching funds of 20% or more are a requirement; this match can be met either as cash or in-kind contributions.
- Language program capacity will be increased by developing training curricula for Dena'ina language instructors.