# COMMUNITY CONNECTION

Kenai Peninsula Foundation, an Affiliate of ACF 🔀 Connecting People Who Care With Causes That Matter.

Creating a stronger central Kenai Peninsula for today and forever

## **Unrestricted Grant Guidelines**

The Kenai Peninsula Foundation is offering a competitive grant award process for qualified nonprofits (or equivalents\*) offering programs and services in the **central Kenai Peninsula** area.

Awarded grant projects must be completed within one year of receiving grant funds. Expenditures made prior to the grant award decision are not eligible for funding. If awarded, an online grant report will be required at the completion of the grant project, and before the grantee will be eligible for another grant opportunity from the Kenai Peninsula Foundation.

## Eligibility Criteria

The Kenai Peninsula Foundation, an Affiliate of The Alaska Community Foundation, seeks applications from qualified tax-exempt 501(c)(3) nonprofits that support organizations and programs in the **central Kenai Peninsula** and serve the people's needs in such areas as youth development, health, education, community heritage, the arts, vulnerable populations, recreation, safety, and community development.

#### Ineligible organizations or activities:

Individuals, for profit, and 501(c)(4) or (c)(6) organizations, non-Alaska based organizations and state or federal government agencies are not eligible for competitive grants. Applications for religious indoctrination or other religious activities, endowment building, deficit financing, fundraising, lobbying, electioneering and activities of political nature will not be considered, nor will proposals for ads, sponsorships, or special event and any proposals which discriminate as to race, gender, marital status, sexual preference, age, disability, creed or ethnicity.

### \*Exceptions:

In selected cases, projects undertaken by organizations that normally fall outside the above guidelines may be able to receive funding. Examples include: Religious organizations without religious purpose whose proposal impacts the broader community; or units of government whose proposal extends beyond the traditional governmental functions that impact the broader community.

### **Evaluation Criteria**

Preference will be given to applications which have the potential to impact a broad range of **central Kenai Peninsula** area residents, provide an outline of measurable and achievable outcomes, and demonstrate other sources of support, collaboration, and/or cooperation.

Preference will also be given to projects and organizations which have not previously been supported by a KPF grant, projects which cannot be done to the level proposed without the grant, and projects which have the potential for adding value to the applicant organization's services. Applications should also address the sustainability of the proposed program or project for which funding is desired.

Evaluation criteria include but are not limited to the overall merit of the project, the ability of the organization to successfully complete the project, the clarity and measurability of the project's goal, the feasibility of the time frame given for completion of the project, and the number of people served. In an effort to maximize the Kenai Peninsula Foundation's resources, please indicate if you have requested additional funding from other sources.

### **Questions?**

Please direct questions to The Alaska Community Foundation's Affiliate Program Officer, Shawn Rivera, at 907-274-6708 or srivera@alaskacf.org.



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