

2024 Camp Initiative Grant

Alaska Community Foundation

About this Grant

Summer camps are a rite of passage for Alaskan youth and essential childcare infrastructure for Alaskan families. The Camp Initiative supports summer enrichment programming for Alaskan youth, including both overnight and day camps. These funds are not intended to support early childhood education or summer programming for year-round childcare providers.

Successful proposals will focus on reducing financial barriers to access, increasing the quantity of young people who participate in camp experiences, and improving the quality of the camp experience, particularly through staff training and professional development. **Camp capital needs are not eligible for this grant program.**

Eligibility

Your organization is eligible for funding through this grant opportunity if it is one of the following:

- 501(c)3 public charitable organization with 509(a)(1), 509(a)(2), or 509(a)(3) public charitable status as designated in your IRS Determination letter (including qualified faith-based organizations)
- Faith-based organization providing social services to the broader community
- Federally recognized Tribes or Tribal nonprofit organizations
- City governments or Boroughs

Please review the [Camp Initiative Grant Guidelines](#) for more details.

Organization Information

Project/Program Name*

Character Limit: 250

Organizational Background*

Brief history and background of the organization and the services provided.

Character Limit: 2000

Organization Mission Statement:*

Character Limit: 250

In what geographic area(s) are services provided?*

Check all the areas that apply.

Choices

- Aleutian Chain
- Anchorage MOA
- Arctic Slope
- Bering Strait
- Bristol Bay
- Copper Center
- Fairbanks
- Interior Alaska
- Juneau
- Kodiak Archipelago
- Mat-Su Valley
- Northwest Arctic
- Prince William Sound
- Southcentral Alaska
- Southeast Alaska
- Yukon-Kuskokwim

Current Operating Budget*

Character Limit: 20

Project Information

In one sentence, briefly describe the camp opportunities the organization will be offering.*

Character Limit: 200

Requested amount*

Large camp providers and organizations providing camps in remote, rural** locations are eligible for grants of up to \$45,000. All other camp providers are eligible for grants of up to \$20,000.

* Large, statewide camp providers serve at least 250 youth through overnight programming or at least 500 youth through day programming.

** Remote, rural locations are off the road and marine highway system. Outdoor recreation camps offered within state and national parks are *not* considered remote, rural locations.

Character Limit: 20

Day campers: Estimated # of Alaskan youth to be served by your organization's day camps in 2024:*

Character Limit: 5

Overnight campers: Estimated # of Alaskan youth served by your org's overnight camps in 2024.*

Character Limit: 5

Total number of camp sites in Alaska managed by your organization:*

Character Limit: 3

Is participation in your camp(s) free-of-charge for 100% of campers?

Choices

Yes

No

Where will you host your camp(s) in 2024?*

Most applicants will be able to answer this in a word or two. The additional space is provided for statewide camp providers with many camp sites.

Character Limit: 500

This funding will support:*

Check all that apply. There is no advantage to checking multiple boxes.

Choices

Day camp experiences

Overnight/residential camp experiences

Staff/counselor training

What type of camp will this fund?*

Please select one category that **best** describes the focus of the summer camp experience your organization provides.

Choices

Culture camp

Faith-based

General academic or post-secondary preparation

Special needs

Specialist (eg. Specific theme like a sport, fine arts, STEM, etc.)

Traditional summer camp / Outdoor recreation

Statement of Need

What community need is being addressed by your camp(s)?

Character Limit: 500

Briefly describe your organization's history running camp programming safely and responsibly.*

If your organization will be running camps for the first time, please include details about the actions you have taken to ensure a safe and successful first year.

Character Limit: 500

Briefly describe how this funding will increase the reach or improve the quality of your camp(s):*

Proposals must reduce financial barriers to camp participation, increase the quantity of camper experiences, and/or improve the quality of camper experiences.

If this proposal will reduce financial barriers to camp participation:

Please include an estimate of the number of camper experiences that will be fully funded and/or subsidized by this funding.

If this proposal will increase the quantity of camper experiences:

Please estimate the number of additional camper experiences made possible.

If this proposal will enhance or improve the quality of camper experiences:

Please describe how camper experiences will be improved (for example: increase in staff:camper ratio; new/different activities made possible by funding; additional staff, culture bearers, or guest speakers made possible; shifts in diversity of the overall camper-body; etc.)

Character Limit: 2000

Briefly describe the demographics of your campers.

This question is optional and should only be answered to the extent you have the information available.

Camper demographics may include: age, race/ethnicity, gender, home community, special needs, etc.

Character Limit: 250

Camp/Youth Program Budget Narrative*

Please upload your program budget. You may use a budget you already have on hand, or you may use this [budget spreadsheet](#). *Numbers docs (from Mac products) are NOT supported*. In the space below, please provide a narrative for how these grant funds will be used.

Character Limit: 3000 | File Size Limit: 3 MB

Electronic Signature

If your organization would like to have a draft review of your application, complete and save your application, but do not submit.

Please email The Alaska Community Foundation at least one week prior to the February 29th deadline at grants@alaskacf.org requesting a review.

With my electronic signature, I certify that the information provided in this application is true, correct, and complete. I agree to allow any information on this application (unless otherwise

noted) to be shared with partner funders and released for publication. I authorize The Alaska Community Foundation to verify any information submitted as part of this application.

I have read the above information.*

Choices

Yes

No

Title of Authorizing Official*

The Authorizing Official has the authority to solicit and accept grants on behalf of their organization.

Character Limit: 75

Electronic Signature*

By typing in your name below, you certify that the above information is true and accurate to the best of your knowledge.

Character Limit: 75

Date*

Character Limit: 10

Direct questions related to the online application to The Alaska Community Foundation should be directed to the Program & Grants team via email (grants@alaskacf.org).

Draft Review

Draft Reviewed?

Did the applicant ask for a draft review and was it completed with feedback emailed back to the applicant?

Choices

Yes

No

Name of Reviewer

Character Limit: 20