



Financial Assistance Award

DENALI COMMISSION
 510 "L" Street, Suite 410
 Anchorage, Alaska 99501
 (907) 271-1414 (phone)
 (907) 271-1415 (fax)
 www.denali.gov

| | |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Award Number | 363-07 |
| Award Title | AFN Center for Excellence |
| Performance Period | September 1, 2007 – September 30, 2008 |
| Authorizing Resolution | 05-24 |

| | |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Authority 112 Stat 1854 | CFDA Number 90.100 |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|

Recipient Organization & Address
 Alaska Federation of Natives
 1577 C Street, Suite 300
 Anchorage, AK 99501
 Phone: (907) 274-3611
 Fax: (907) 276-7989

Denali Commission Finance Officer Certification

[Signature]

Recipient DUNS # 01-021-0524 TIN # 92-0034863

Cost Share Distribution Table

| Accounting Code | Denali Commission | Other Contributors | Total |
|-----------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| 95670000 | \$100,000 | | \$100,000 |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Total | \$100,000 | \$0 | \$100,000 |

This Financial Assistance Award approved by the Federal Co-Chair of the Denali Commission is issued in duplicate and constitutes an obligation of federal funding. By signing the documents, the Recipient agrees to comply with the Award provisions indicated below and attached. Upon acceptance by the Recipient, a signed Award document shall be returned to the Federal Co-Chair of the Denali Commission and the Recipient shall retain the other document. If not signed and returned without modification by the Recipient within 30 days of receipt, the Federal Co-Chair may unilaterally terminate this Award.

- Special Award Conditions and Attachments
- Line Item Budget
- OMB Circular A-133, Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations
 (<http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a133/a133.html>)

Administrative Requirements (check one)

- OMB Circular A-102, Grants and Cooperative Agreements with State and Local Governments
 (<http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a102/a102.html>)
- 2 CFR Part 215, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Agreements with Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Nonprofit Organizations (OMB Circular A-110)
 (http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/waisidx_05/2cfr215_05.html)

Cost Principles (check one)

- OMB Circular A-87, Cost Principles for State, Local and Indian Tribal Governments
 (www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a087/a087-all.html)
- OMB Circular A-122, Cost Principles for Nonprofit Organizations
 (www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a122/a122.html)
- OMB Circular A-21, Cost Principles for Educational Institutions
 (<http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars/a021/a021.html>)
- 48 CFR 31.2, Contracts with Commercial Organizations

| | | |
|---|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| Signature of Authorized Official - Denali Commission | Typed Name and Title | Date |
| <i>[Signature]</i> | George J. Canelos, Federal Co-Chair | 12/7/07 |

| | | |
|--|------------------------------|-------------|
| Signature of Authorized Official - Alaska Federation of Natives | Typed Name and Title | Date |
| <i>[Signature]</i> | George Irvin, Vice President | 12/10/07 |

ASSURANCES - NON-CONSTRUCTION PROGRAMS

Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project (0348-0040), Washington, DC 20503.

PLEASE DO NOT RETURN YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO THE OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET. SEND IT TO THE ADDRESS PROVIDED BY THE SPONSORING AGENCY.

NOTE: Certain of these assurances may not be applicable to your project or program. If you have questions, please contact the awarding agency. Further, certain Federal awarding agencies may require applicants to certify to additional assurances. If such is the case, you will be notified.

As the duly authorized representative of the applicant, I certify that the applicant:

1. Has the legal authority to apply for Federal assistance and the institutional, managerial and financial capability (including funds sufficient to pay the non-Federal share of project cost) to ensure proper planning, management and completion of the project described in this application.
2. Will give the awarding agency, the Comptroller General of the United States and, if appropriate, the State, through any authorized representative, access to and the right to examine all records, books, papers, or documents related to the award; and will establish a proper accounting system in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards or agency directives.
3. Will establish safeguards to prohibit employees from using their positions for a purpose that constitutes or presents the appearance of personal or organizational conflict of interest, or personal gain.
4. Will initiate and complete the work within the applicable time frame after receipt of approval of the awarding agency.
5. Will comply with the Intergovernmental Personnel Act of 1970 (42 U.S.C. §§4728-4763) relating to prescribed standards for merit systems for programs funded under one of the 19 statutes or regulations specified in Appendix A of OPM's Standards for a Merit System of Personnel Administration (5 C.F.R. 900, Subpart F).
6. Will comply with all Federal statutes relating to nondiscrimination. These include but are not limited to: (a) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (P.L. 88-352) which prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color or national origin; (b) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. §§1681-1683, and 1685-1686), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex; (c) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. §794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicaps; (d) the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§6101-6107), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age; (e) the Drug Abuse Office and Treatment Act of 1972 (P.L. 92-255), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of drug abuse; (f) the Comprehensive Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism Prevention, Treatment and Rehabilitation Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-616), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination on the basis of alcohol abuse or alcoholism; (g) §§523 and 527 of the Public Health Service Act of 1912 (42 U.S.C. §§290 dd-3 and 290 ee 3), as amended, relating to confidentiality of alcohol and drug abuse patient records; (h) Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968 (42 U.S.C. §§3601 et seq.), as amended, relating to nondiscrimination in the sale, rental or financing of housing; (i) any other nondiscrimination provisions in the specific statute(s) under which application for Federal assistance is being made; and, (j) the requirements of any other nondiscrimination statute(s) which may apply to the application.
7. Will comply, or has already complied, with the requirements of Titles II and III of the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970 (P.L. 91-646) which provide for fair and equitable treatment of persons displaced or whose property is acquired as a result of Federal or federally-assisted programs. These requirements apply to all interests in real property acquired for project purposes regardless of Federal participation in purchases.
8. Will comply, as applicable, with provisions of the Hatch Act (5 U.S.C. §§1501-1508 and 7324-7328) which limit the political activities of employees whose principal employment activities are funded in whole or in part with Federal funds.

9. Will comply, as applicable, with the provisions of the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. §§276a to 276a-7), the Copeland Act (40 U.S.C. §276c and 18 U.S.C. §874), and the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act (40 U.S.C. §§327-333), regarding labor standards for federally-assisted construction subagreements.
10. Will comply, if applicable, with flood insurance purchase requirements of Section 102(a) of the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973 (P.L. 93-234) which requires recipients in a special flood hazard area to participate in the program and to purchase flood insurance if the total cost of insurable construction and acquisition is \$10,000 or more.
11. Will comply with environmental standards which may be prescribed pursuant to the following: (a) institution of environmental quality control measures under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (P.L. 91-190) and Executive Order (EO) 11514; (b) notification of violating facilities pursuant to EO 11738; (c) protection of wetlands pursuant to EO 11990; (d) evaluation of flood hazards in floodplains in accordance with EO 11988; (e) assurance of project consistency with the approved State management program developed under the Coastal Zone Management Act of 1972 (16 U.S.C. §§1451 et seq.); (f) conformity of Federal actions to State (Clean Air) Implementation Plans under Section 176(c) of the Clean Air Act of 1955, as amended (42 U.S.C. §§7401 et seq.); (g) protection of underground sources of drinking water under the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974, as amended (P.L. 93-523); and, (h) protection of endangered species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (P.L. 93-205).
12. Will comply with the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act of 1968 (16 U.S.C. §§1271 et seq.) related to protecting components or potential components of the national wild and scenic rivers system.
13. Will assist the awarding agency in assuring compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended (16 U.S.C. §470), EO 11593 (identification and protection of historic properties), and the Archaeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (16 U.S.C. §§469a-1 et seq.).
14. Will comply with P.L. 93-348 regarding the protection of human subjects involved in research, development, and related activities supported by this award of assistance.
15. Will comply with the Laboratory Animal Welfare Act of 1966 (P.L. 89-544, as amended, 7 U.S.C. §§2131 et seq.) pertaining to the care, handling, and treatment of warm blooded animals held for research, teaching, or other activities supported by this award of assistance.
16. Will comply with the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act (42 U.S.C. §§4801 et seq.) which prohibits the use of lead-based paint in construction or rehabilitation of residence structures.
17. Will cause to be performed the required financial and compliance audits in accordance with the Single Audit Act Amendments of 1996 and OMB Circular No. A-133, "Audits of States, Local Governments, and Non-Profit Organizations."
18. Will comply with all applicable requirements of all other Federal laws, executive orders, regulations, and policies governing this program.

| | | | |
|--|--|----------------|--|
| SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED CERTIFYING OFFICIAL | | TITLE | |
| George Irvin <i>Headip C. Charles for George Irvin</i> | | Vice President | |
| APPLICANT ORGANIZATION | | DATE SUBMITTED | |
| Alaska Federation of Natives | | Award 363-07 | |
| | | 12/10/07 | |

***Award Conditions to the Financial Assistance Award
Between the Denali Commission and Alaska Federation of Natives
For the AFN Center for Excellence
Award No. 363-07
December 2007***

1. Scope of Work

Two awards numbered 362-07 and 363-07 to the Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) are for the development and implementation of an Economic Diagnostic Fund. The Economic Diagnostic Fund, a public-private partnership, will be housed within the AFN Center for Excellence, which aims to reduce poverty, and increase innovation, knowledge-sharing and self-sustaining enterprises in rural Alaska.

This award provides \$100,000, the total budget for the two awards from the Denali Commission is \$525,120 see item number 12 below for approved budget breakdown. The Rasmuson Foundation has provided \$50,000 for technical assistance towards the Alaska Marketplace winners; this is in addition to the budgeted items listed below. Alyeska Pipeline Service Company is a confirmed partner with this project and will provide a yet to be determined financial and in-kind support for the next five years. At such time as Alyeska provides this support AFN will transmit the amount to the Commission so it can be captured as "match" on the Commission's database system.

The Economic Diagnostic Fund replaces the original micro loan program concept pursuant to Commission Resolution 05-24. It has been determined that due to the lessons learned from the operation of the Alaska Marketplace, another AFN project that encourages new and innovative business ideas aimed at reducing poverty reduction that the Economic Diagnostic Fund is in line with the original intent at reducing rural Alaskan poverty.

The preliminary program of work currently includes:

1. Business development technical assistance
 - a. Via web based delivery
 - b. Technical assistance credit provided to 20 Alaska Marketplace winners
2. Development of human skills and knowledge in business
3. Encouragement of small market capitalism
4. Identification of investment and economic barriers to rural Alaska
5. Creation of public & private sector partnerships in rural economic development
6. economic diagnostic services for targeted communities in rural Alaska

The project will be implemented with a focus on four components to include but not limited to;

Component 1, Support of 2007 Alaska Marketplace winners

Technical assistance mentioned above

Business Plan Pro software

Offering of seven seminars aimed at business plan production

Identification of critical needs in the business plan process

Component 2, Private sector participation

The Economic Diagnostic Fund will broaden its private-sector partners and obtain financial and in-kind support. This is an important component in the creation of an effort to sustain these efforts once seed funds are expended.

Component 3, Educational Seminars

The fund will develop three to four internet-based educational internet courses to support economic development and poverty reduction strategies.

Component 4, Targeted Economic Diagnostics

Diagnostic service will be provided to clusters of rural Alaskan communities to aide in the identification of opportunities for rural residents to take part in the new global economy.

All contractual services procured under this award must be competed via fair and open competition, in keeping with the Federal Circulars.

All Commission funding is intended for use for the scope of work identified in the Award document only. Any balance of funds remaining after the full scope of work has been completed will be returned to the Denali Commission.

2. Milestones

The following milestones are identified as the major steps to be completed as part of the project. "Planned" dates for the first milestone are included here. As part of each progress report, recipients shall update the progress toward meeting these milestones (see section 7, Reporting).

| Milestone | Planned | | Actual | | Units | Total Cost At Completion |
|------------------------|------------|----------|------------|----------|-------|--------------------------|
| | Start Date | End Date | Start Date | End Date | | |
| Business Plan Seminars | 09/01/07 | 12/31/07 | | | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Internet Courses | 01/01/08 | 09/30/08 | | | 0 | \$0.00 |
| Project Close-out | 10/01/08 | 12/31/08 | | | 0 | \$0.00 |

3. Award Performance Period

The Award performance period is September 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008. This is the period during which Award recipients can incur obligations or costs against this Award.

4. *Direct and Indirect Costs*

The cost principles of OMB A-122 are applicable to this Award. No indirect costs are allowable under this award. Please refer to the cost principles regulations for specific details on other allowable charges under this Award.

5. *Budget and Program Revisions*

The Administrative Circular, 2 CFR Part 215 (formerly OMB A-110), applies to this Award. Please refer to the Administrative Circular for specific details on revisions to this Award. The Administrative Circular requires that AFN will inform the Commission in writing (e-mail, letter, or report) at the earliest possible date of any unanticipated project cost overrun, project schedule delays, or changes in the project scope or changed site conditions, and that such changes are not allowable until such time as the Commission's Program Manager has approved them in writing.

6. *Payments*

Payments under this Award will be made by electronic transfer in response to a "Request for Advance or Reimbursement", Standard Form 270 (SF-270) submitted by the Alaska Federation of Natives. Requests for advances or reimbursements may be made at the end of each quarter and should be submitted no later than 30 days after the federal quarter. The SF-270 must be submitted to the Denali Commission via fax, e-mail (finance@denali.gov) or mail in order for payment to be processed. The form is available on the OMB website: http://www.whitehouse.gov/OMB/grants/grants_forms.html. Payments shall be made in accordance with shall be made in accordance with 2 CFR Part 215 (formerly OMB A-110). Please contact the Denali Commission's Finance Manager at (907)-271-1414 for further information about submitting this form. **No interest will be accrued on these funds.**

7. *Reporting*

Two forms of project reporting are required under this Award, listed below. Alaska Federation of Natives shall submit reports using the Denali Commission's on-line Project Database System, available at www.denali.gov. If there are technical limitations which may prevent the recipient from meeting this requirement, please contact the Program Manager listed in this agreement.

- a. **Progress Reports** shall be submitted on a quarterly basis. The first reporting period is September 1, 2007, thru December 30, 2007, and quarterly thereafter. Reports are due within 30 days of the end of the reporting period. Progress reports shall include the following:
 - i. Total project funding, including both Denali Commission funding and other project funding sources.

- ii. The total project expenditures for the project as of the end of the reporting period, including both Denali Commission and Other funding sources.
 - iii. Updated schedule and milestone information as identified in the Scope of Work.
 - iv. Narrative summary of the project status and accomplishments to date, any problems, overruns and delays, including any type of litigation related to the project, and address the following questions: is the project on schedule, is the project on budget, and what actions are planned to address any project problems.
 - v. **Non-Construction Projects** For minor repair and renovation projects or other non-construction projects, dated pictures should be provided of before and after, or photos that are representative of the funded activity, to the extent possible. Photos shall be provided in a digital format as part of the on-line report. A short description of the activity and names of those in the photos shall also be provided.
- b. **Federal Single Audits** shall be submitted annually, when required. In accordance with OMB Circular A-133, which requires [subpart 200] "Non-Federal entities that expend \$500,000 or more in a year in Federal awards shall have a single or program-specific audit conducted for that year in accordance with the provisions of this part [subpart 205]. The determination of when an award is expended should be based on when the activity related to the award occurs."

Recipients shall also submit single audits to the Federal Clearinghouse as designated by OMB. Information can be found on the following web-site:
<http://harvester.census.gov/sac/>

8. Project/Award Close-Out

The project close-out report shall be completed within 90 days of the end of the Award performance period or within 90 days of the completion of the project, whichever is earlier. Recipients must also draw down any remaining funds for expenditures incurred under this award during this 90-day period.

The project close-out report shall be submitted on-line through the Denali Commission's on-line Project Database System, available at www.denali.gov. The project close out will require the recipient to submit the following information:

- a. Final data for each item listed in paragraph 7(a) "Progress Reports."
- b. Final project expenditures itemized by the following categories: planning & design; materials & equipment; freight; labor; project administration/overhead; and other expenses.
- c. Acknowledgement of support: For all non-construction projects, the Award recipient shall include an acknowledgement of the Government's support for the project(s)

developed under this Award. The format for acknowledgement of the Government's support for non-construction awards will vary with each award and must be agreed upon between the Award recipient and the Denali Commission Project Manager. Costs associated with this requirement shall be paid out of the project funding received by the Award recipient from the Denali Commission.

9. Public Policy Laws and Assurances

Award Recipients are required to comply with the public policy laws and assurances on Standard Forms SF 424b (non-construction projects) or SF 424d (construction projects). This form must also be signed by a certifying official of the organization. Some of the laws are highlighted below for your reference.

No portion of this award may be used for lobbying or propaganda purposes as prohibited by 18 U.S.C. Section 1913 or Section 607(a) of Public Law 96-74.

Project level environmental reviews in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) are required for each project undertaken with Denali Commission funds.

10. Non-Compliance with Award Conditions

Recipients not in compliance with the terms and conditions of this Financial Assistance Award will be notified by the Denali Commission. The Denali Commission will work with the recipient to identify the steps necessary to bring them back into compliance, and will establish an appropriate time frame for the corrections to be made. If the corrections have not been made by the deadline, the Denali Commission reserves the right to either suspend or unilaterally terminate the Financial Assistance Award for non-performance.

11. Program Manager, Financial Manager & Other Contact Information

| Denali Commission | Alaska Federation of Natives |
|--|---|
| Mark Allred Program Manager 510 L Street, Suite 410 Anchorage, AK 99501 Phone: 907-271-1542 Fax: 907-271-1415 E-mail: mallred@denali.gov | George Irvin Vice President, AFN 1577 C Street, Suite 300 Anchorage, AK 99501 Phone: 907-274-3611 Fax: 907-276-7989 Email: girvin@nativefederation.org |
| Betty Sorensen Grants Administrator 510 L Street, Suite 410 Anchorage, AK 99501 Phone: 907-271-3415 Fax: 907-271-1415 E-mail: bsorensen@denali.gov | Gladys Charles Financial Contact 1577 C Street, Suite 300 Anchorage, AK 99501 Phone: 907-274-3611 Fax: 907-276-7989 Email: gcharles@nativefederation.org |

12. Approved Budget for Award

1 FTE program Facilitator, base salary \$75,000 and benefits of \$25,000.

Consultants to perform on Award, \$25,120.

Technical Assistance credits for 20 Alaska Marketplace winners, \$150,000

Partner outreach & networking, \$50,000.

Website design and content design for seminars and entrepreneurship, innovation & strategies for poverty reduction, \$200,000.

The progress report narrative, submitted as a component on the quarterly progress report, should include a breakout of expenditures and reporting in each of the approved budget categories listed above.

To the maximum extent practicable, considering applicable laws, Funding Recipients shall accomplish the project contemplated by the Award using local Alaska firms and labor.