



2018 Grant Funding Request

Laurine Regan

Executive Director

Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau

GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

2018 FUNDING REQUEST/CERTIFICATION FORM

ORGANIZATION NAME:V <u>ALDEZ CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU</u>	PHONE: <u>835-2984</u>
ADDRESS:309 FAIRBANKS DRIVE_VALDEZ_ALASKA	ZIP:99686
CONTACT PERSON: <u>LAURINE REGAN</u>	PHONE:_835-2984
CONTACT PERSON E-MAIL:LRegan@valdezalaska.org	
PROGRAM TITLE:Tourism_Marketing_& Advertising_for_the_City_ofValdez	
FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2018: \$446,245.11 (no change from 2017)	
Non-Profit Corporation? YesX_No Date of incorporation:1983Federal Tax I	D #: <u>92-0090495</u>
2. Organization's estimated TOTAL 2018 operating budget: \$_5	534,418.9 <u>4</u>

3. Historical Funding and Membership Information

	Total CSO Budget	City Funding	City % of # one of #	
2015	574,982	488,782	85	120
2016	532,695	446,245	83.77	120
2017	534,418	446,245	83.77	122
2018	534,418	446,245	83.77	129

4. What was previous grant funding used for? Be specific.

Previous grant funding was used to market Valdez as a business and leisure destination. This has been completed through various projects such as:

- Attending consumer and travel trade shows,
- Working with key international markets to promote Valdez,
- Placing advertising in strategic visitor guides and publications,
- Producing the Valdez Vacation Guide and circulating it to perspective and committed travelers to Valdez, and
- Managing and maintaining the Information Center in Valdez on a year-round basis.
- Utilizing a Website, and social media to promote Valdez throughout the year.

ATTACHMENTS: (label as indicated)

- Copy of your organization's most recent fiscal year end financial statements including balance sheet and profit and loss, and sources and uses of revenues. These statements must also show all accumulated fund balances for all of the organization's assets. (label page 2)
- Copy of balance sheets from three prior fiscal years. (label page 3)
- Copy of your organization's estimated current operating budget, including revenues and **expenditures.** (label page 4)
- Copy of proposed 2018 budget, including revenues and expenditures. (label page 5)
- Copy of your organization 's balance sheet and profit and loss as of 6/30/2017

CERTIFICATION: (must be signed by both individuals)

I certify that the information contained in this application, including all attachments and supporting materials, is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

What.	_ 08/28/ 2017	
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (or equivalent)	DATE	
Patricia Dee	08/28/2017	
PRESIDENT, BOARD OF DIRECTORS (or equivalent)	DATE	

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Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Balance Sheet As of August 25, 2017

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ASSETS	
Current Assets Checking/Savings	
Front Desk Cash Register VCVB Operating	80.00 60,383.65
Total Checking/Savings	60,463.65
Accounts Receivable 1200 · Accounts Receivable	15,977.83
Total Accounts Receivable	15,977.83
Other Current Assets 12100 · Inventory Asset 1300 · Prepaids Petty Cash	10,049.98 38,170.44 85.34
Total Other Current Assets	48,305.76
Total Current Assets	124,747.24
Fixed Assets 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment 1600 · Office Equipment 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment - Other	13,472.72 -7,110.60
Total 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment	6,362.12
Total Fixed Assets	6,362.12
TOTAL ASSETS	131,109.36
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities Current Liabilities Accounts Payable 2000 · Accounts Payable	-3,713.82
Total Accounts Payable	-3,713.82
Other Current Liabilities 2200 · Deferred Revenue Employee Health Insurance/401K	30,742.14 3,764.58
2100 · Payroll Liabilities ESC Payable FEB/SS/MED Payable FUTA payable 2100 · Payroll Liabilities - Other	1,874.91 2,958.69 58.55 7,091.54
Total 2100 · Payroll Liabilities	11,983.69
Total Other Current Liabilities	46,490.41
Total Current Liabilities	42,776.59
Total Liabilities	42,776.59
Equity 1110 · Retained Earnings Net Income	-37,266.11 125,598.88
Total Equity	88,332.77
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	131,109.36

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Net Income

Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Profit & Loss

January through June 2017

	Jan - Jun 17
5000 · Program of Work 5100 · Advertising 5170 · Guides & Magazines 5131 · Branding 5132 · AK State Label Purchase 5150 · Radio & TV	15,587.24 5,589.47 3,200.00 3,225.00
Total 5100 · Advertising	27,601.71
5200 · Marketing & Promotion 5220 · Distribution Services 5230 · Public Relations 5240 · Printing & Production 5243 · Still and Video Production 5246 · Valdez Vacation Guide - Annual 5247 · Web Site Design/Maintenance	9,319.16 9,725.69 4,500.00 15,000.00 3,134.23
Total 5240 · Printing & Production	22,634.23
5250 · Trade & Consumer Promotions 5251 · Exhibits 5252 · Familiarization Trips 5254 · Memberships 5255 · Registration 5256 · Sponsorships	3,300.00 7,724.42 857.50 6,986.89 1,095.00
Total 5250 · Trade & Consumer Promotions	19,963.81
Total 5200 · Marketing & Promotion	61,642.89
Total 5000 · Program of Work	89,244.60
6000 · Travel & Ent 6100 · Lodging 6300 · Meals 6400 · Transportation	7,738.01 3,522.80 9,000.00
Total 6000 · Travel & Ent	20,260.81
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies 7000 · Fundraising/Special events 7200 · Annual & Membership Mtgs 7300 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew 7300B · Event Ticketing/Printing	4.33 1,223.74 385.40
Total 7300 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew	385.40
Total 7000 · Fundraising/Special events	1,609.14
7700 · Resale	87.50
Total Expense	275,456.84
Net Ordinary Income	139,390.15
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Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17	Budget	% of Budget
3560 ⋅ Donations	75.00	50.00	150.0%
3570 · Interest Income 3580 · Refunds & Reimbursements	3.99 262.53	3.99 20.00	
Total Income	473,622.36	536,518.94	88.3%
Cost of Goods Sold 50000 · Cost of Goods Sold	2,092.42	2,100.00	99.6%
Total COGS	2,092.42	2,100.00	99.6%
Gross Profit	471,529.94	534,418.94	88.2%
Expense			
Cruise Ship Welcome Sign 4000 · Payroll Expenses	10,955.66	10,955.66	100.0%
4013 · Membership/Digital Mkt Salary	23,334.42	40,000.00	58.3%
4011 · Service Coordinator Salary 4041 · Staff Reimbusements	25,995.33 350.00	40,000.00 350.00	65.0% 100.0%
4010 · Directory Salary	42,844.18	64,000.00	66.9%
4020 · Office Staff Wages	21,015.90	21,015.90	100.0%
4025 · Hourly Staff Overtime Hours 4030 · Employee Health Insurance/401K	29.25 16,487.16	500.00 26,150.00	5.9% 63.0%
4040 · Employer Payroll Taxes	10,021.68	19,360.00	51.8%
Total 4000 · Payroll Expenses	140,077.92	211,375.90	66.3%
4050 · Insurance	1,660.00	1,710.00	97.1%
4051 · Liability Insurance 4053 · Work Comp	-79.00	861.00	97.1% -9.2%
4055 · Board Insurance	0.00	1,225.00	0.0%
Total 4050 · Insurance	1,581.00	3,796.00	41.6%
4060 · Employee Recruitment	0.00	2,000.00	0.0%
4100 · Operating 4107 · Heating Fuel	4,603.43	5,000.00	92.1%
4106 · Electric	4,607.04	6,000.00	76.8%
4105 · City Garbage/Water/Sewer Fee 4110 · Rent	396.88 21,000.00	900.00 36,000.00	44.1% 58.3%
4111 · Building Maintenance	0.00	200.00	0.0%
4120 · Equipment Purchases & Repairs	0.00	1,905.00	0.0%
4130 · Communications	4 000 40	0.400.00	== 00/
4131 · Telephone 4134 · Internet	1,389.48 2,110.03	2,400.00 2,400.00	57.9% 87.9%
4135 · Cell Phone	807.75	500.00	161.6%
Total 4130 · Communications	4,307.26	5,300.00	81.3%
4140 ⋅ Postage and Delivery	6,409.10	9,000.00	71.2%
4150 · Office Supplies 4152 · Center Summer Flowers	0.00	75.00	0.0%
4151 · Center Cleaning Fees	851.08	1,000.00	85.1%
4155 · Printing/office	922.30	800.00	115.3%
4150 · Office Supplies - Other	4,768.81	4,700.00	101.5%
Total 4150 · Office Supplies	6,542.19	6,575.00	99.5%
4160 · Fees 4166 · Retail Credit Card Fees	360.09	1,200.00	30.0%
4165 · Credit Card Fees	1,305.83	1,500.00	87.1%
4161 · Bank Service Charge 4162 · Licenses & Permits	220.74	400.00 200.00	55.2% 50.0%
4163 · Subscriptions	100.00 1,732.87	1,800.00	50.0% 96.3%
Total 4160 · Fees	3,719.53	5,100.00	72.9%
4180 · Professional Fees 4186 · Audit/Taxes	11,987.47	16,000.00	74.9%
Total 4180 · Professional Fees	11,987.47	16,000.00	74.9%
Total 4100 ⋅ Operating	63,572.90	91,980.00	69.1%
5000 ⋅ Program of Work			
5100 · Advertising			
5170 · Guides & Magazines 5130 · Internet/Web Sites	16,667.24 7,500.00	16,700.00 7,500.00	99.8% 100.0%
5131 · Branding	5,589.47	5,600.00	99.8%
5132 · AK State Label Purchase	3,200.00 5,205.00	3,000.00 5,500.00	106.7% 94.6%
5150 · Radio & TV	5,205.00		
Total 5100 · Advertising	38,161.71	30,300.00	99.6%
5200 · Marketing & Promotion 5220 · Distribution Services	11,032.91	10,000.00	110.3%
5230 · Public Relations	9,725.69	10,000.00	97.3%

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Net Income

Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17	Budget	% of Budget	
5240 · Printing & Production 5243 · Still and Video Production 5244 · Fun Thing FlipBook 5246 · Valdez Vacation Guide · Annual 5247 · Web Site Design/Maintenance	4,500.00 5,370.00 15,000.00 3,219.23	4,500.00 5,370.00 62,410.00 3,000.00	100.0% 100.0% 24.0% 107.3%	
Total 5240 · Printing & Production	28,089.23	75,280.00	37.3%	
5250 · Trade & Consumer Promotions 5251 · Exhibits 5252 · Familiarization Trips 5254 · Memberships 5255 · Registration 5256 · Sponsorships	3,300.00 7,724.42 857.50 6,986.89 1,095.00	3,300.00 7,724.42 857.50 6,986.89 1,095.00	100.0% 100.0% 100.0% 100.0%	
Total 5250 · Trade & Consumer Promotions	19,963.81	19,963.81	100.0%	
Total 5200 · Marketing & Promotion	68,811.64	115,243.81	59.7%	
Total 5000 · Program of Work	106,973.35	153,543.81	69.7%	
6000 ⋅ Travel & Ent 6100 ⋅ Lodging 6300 ⋅ Meals 6400 ⋅ Transportation	7,738.01 3,522.80 9,000.00	8,500.00 3,601.11 9,000.00	91.0% 97.8% 100.0%	
Total 6000 · Travel & Ent	20,260.81	21,101.11	96.0%	
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies 7000 · Fundraising/Special events 7200 · Annual & Membership Mtgs	4.33 1,223.74	1,223.74	100.0%	
7300 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew 7300L · T-Shirt Expenses 7300K · Event Room Rental	0.00 0.00	900.00 660.00	0.0% 0.0%	
7300J · Event Advertising 7300I · Event Prize Money 7300H · Event · Judges Reception 7300G · Event · Decor/Miscellaneous 7300F · Event · Annual Beer Glass	0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00	740.00 2,100.00 200.00 300.00 1,500.00	0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 0.0%	
7300E · Event · Tasting Room supplies 7300D · Event Insurances 7300C · Event Catering 7300B · Event Ticketing/Printing	0.00 0.00 0.00 763.85	200.00 100.00 4,000.00 900.00	0.0% 0.0% 0.0% 84.9%	
7300A · Event Entertainment	250.00	1,250.00	20.0%	
Total 7300 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew	1,013.85	12,850.00	7.9%	
Total 7000 · Fundraising/Special events	2,237.59	14,073.74	15.9%	
7700 · Resale	267.50			
Total Expense	345,931.06	508,826.22	68.0%	
Net Ordinary Income	125,598.88	25,592.72	490.8%	

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3 PRIOR YEARS BALANCE SHEETS

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Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2014

ASSETS	
Current Assets Checking/Savings	
VCVB Operating 19,97 VCVB Savings - FNBA 18,49	
Total Checking/Savings 38,46	6.66
Accounts Receivable 1200 · Accounts Receivable 1,81	6.00
Total Accounts Receivable 1,81	6.00
Other Current Assets 1300 · Prepaids Security Deposit 33,91	2.97 50.00
Total Other Current Assets 36,66	2.97
Total Current Assets 76,94	5.63
Fixed Assets 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment 1600 · Office Equipment 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment - Other -2,576.00	
Total 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment 10,19	6.76
Total Fixed Assets 10,19	6.76
TOTAL ASSETS 87,14	2.39
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities Current Liabilities Accounts Payable 2000 · Accounts Payable -6,57	' 8.00
Total Accounts Payable -6,57	8.00
Other Current Liabilities 2200 · Deferred Revenue 41,81 2100 · Payroll Liabilities ESC Payable 2,615.92 FEB/SS/MED Payable -368.55 FUTA payable 34.67 2100 · Payroll Liabilities - Other 7,014.62	6.04
	6.66
Total Other Current Liabilities 51,11	2.70
Total Current Liabilities 44,53	34.70
Total Liabilities 44,53	34.70
Equity 1110 · Retained Earnings Net Income 34,87 7,72	78.57 29.12
Total Equity 42,60	7.69
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY 87,14	2.39

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Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2015

	Dec 31, 15
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings VCVB Operating	37,737.80
VCVB Savings - FNBA	20,972.03
Total Checking/Savings	58,709.83
Accounts Receivable 1200 · Accounts Receivable	6,217.33
Total Accounts Receivable	6,217.33
Other Current Assets 1300 · Prepaids Petty Cash	30,796.00 116.82
Total Other Current Assets	30,912.82
Total Current Assets	95,839.98
Fixed Assets	
1610 - Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment	40 770 70
1600 · Office Equipment 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment - Other	12,772.73 -4,556.00
Total 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment	8,216.73
Total Fixed Assets	8,216.73
TOTAL ASSETS	104,056.71
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable 2000 · Accounts Payable	5,232.14
Total Accounts Payable	5,232.14
Other Current Liabilities 2200 · Deferred Revenue Employee Health Insurance/401K	29,174.36 1,788.54
2100 · Payroll Liabilities ESC Payable FEB/SS/MED Payable FUTA payable 2100 · Payroll Liabilities - Other	1,835.37 999.47 0.50 7,091.54
Total 2100 · Payroll Liabilities	9,926.88
Total Other Current Liabilities	40,889.78
Total Current Liabilities	46,121.92
Total Liabilities	46,121.92
Equity 1110 · Retained Earnings Net Income	41,385.89 16,548.90
Total Equity	57,934.79
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	104,056.71

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Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2016

Dec 31, 16 **ASSETS Current Assets** Checking/Savings **VCVB** Operating -13,283.31 **VCVB Savings - FNBA** 1,954.98 **Total Checking/Savings** -11,328.33 **Accounts Receivable** 5,832.14 1200 · Accounts Receivable **Total Accounts Receivable** 5,832.14 **Other Current Assets** 12100 · Inventory Asset -1.30 1300 · Prepaids 35,293.70 **Petty Cash** 245.00 **Total Other Current Assets** 35,537.40 **Total Current Assets** 30,041.21 **Fixed Assets** 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment 1600 · Office Equipment 13,472.72 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment - Other -7,110.60 Total 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment 6,362.12 **Total Fixed Assets** 6,362.12 **TOTAL ASSETS** 36,403.33 **LIABILITIES & EQUITY** Liabilities **Current Liabilities Accounts Payable** 2000 · Accounts Payable 30,580.98 30,580.98 **Total Accounts Payable Other Current Liabilities** 30,742.14 2200 · Deferred Revenue **Employee Health Insurance/401K** 2,416.26 2100 · Payroll Liabilities **ESC Payable** 1,840.41 FEB/SS/MED Payable 999.47 **FUTA** payable -1.36 2100 · Payroll Liabilities - Other 7,091.54 Total 2100 · Payroll Liabilities 9,930.06 **Total Other Current Liabilities** 43,088.46 73,669.44 **Total Current Liabilities Total Liabilities** 73,669.44 Equity 1110 · Retained Earnings 59,368.79 **Net Income** -96,634.90 -37,266.11 **Total Equity TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY** 36,403.33

PAGE 4 CURRENT OPERATING BUDGET

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Total 3540 · Economic Development Programs

Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual

January through December 2017

	Jan - Dec 17	Budget	% of Budget
ry Income/Expense ncome			
3500 ⋅ City of Valdez	5,477.83	5,477.83	100.0%
3505 · 2017 COV Ship Welcome Sign 3501 · City of Valdez Grant Funding	388,232.52	446,245.11	87.0%
3504 · Civic Center Marketing Advert.	3,000.00	3,000.00	100.0%
Total 3500 ⋅ City of Valdez	396,710.35	454,722.94	87.2
3510 · Membership			
3516A · 3516A New Members	50.00	150.00	33.3%
3514 · Adventure Corridor Membership	1,700.00	1,200.00	141.7%
3513 · King Membership	3,900.00	3,000.00	130.0%
3512 · Silver Membership	1,650.00	4,000.00	41.3%
3511 · Pink Membership	4,400.00	1,000.00	440.0%
Total 3510 · Membership	11,700.00	9,350.00	125.1
3520 · Cooperative Advertising 3527A · Sandwich Board Location	500.00	500.00	100.0%
3529C · Discover Valdez Feature Webpage	500.00	500.00	100.0%
3525A · Show Banner Panel AD	1,500.00	900.00	166.7%
3520C · Print & Digital Package	8,000.00	9,000.00	88.9%
3520B · Digital Package 3520A · Print Package	0.00 12,200.00	625.00 10,000.00	0.0% 122.0%
3522A · 50 Fun Things FlipBook	1,500.00	1,250.00	122.0%
3529A · Banner Ad	-25.00	0.00	100.0%
3521 · VIC Television Ads	400.00	800.00	50.0%
3522 · VCVB Wall Advertising Space	1,550.00	1,431.00	108.3%
3524 · Vacation Guide Add. Listings 3526 · Vacation Guide Color Ad	1,200.00 27.760.00	400.00 28,500.00	300.0% 97.4%
3527 · VIC Display Cases	920.00	1,000.00	92.0%
Total 3520 · Cooperative Advertising	56,005.00	54,906.00	102.0
3530 · Membership Functions 3536 · Vendor Booths July 4th COV	740.00	270.00	274.1%
Total 3530 · Membership Functions	740.00	270.00	274.1
3540 · Economic Development Programs			
3900 · Retail Income			
Coins - Winter Sports	0.00	50.00	0.0%
Coins - Bear	100.00 260.00	50.00 100.00	200.0% 260.0%
Vintage Map Valdez Gold Pins	475.00	100.00	475.0%
V Logo Thumb drives 256mb	33.00	27.00	122.2%
TShirts	3,367.50	1,746.01	192.9%
Staff Discount	-30.00	-29.00	103.4%
Salmon - Terriyaki Salmon - Pepper	435.00 375.00	150.00 150.00	290.0% 250.0%
Salmon - Pepper Salmon - Original	400.00	150.00	266.7%
Promotional Use Only	-442.00	-442.00	100.0%
Promotional Use - Staff Shirts	-325.00	-325.00	100.0%
Postcards HeliArt - Sticker	270.00 102.00	50.00	540.0% 510.0%
HeliArt - Sticker HeliArt - Iron On Patch	102.00 67.00	20.00 20.00	335.0%
HeliArt - Fridge Magnet	42.00	20.00	210.0%
Event - Fly In - T-Shirts	50.00	50.00	100.0%
Event - Fly In - Magnet	7.99 155.00	7.99 105.00	100.0%
Event - Fly In - Baseball Caps 3900 · Retail Income - Other	155.00 8.00	105.00	147.6%
Total 3900 · Retail Income	5,350.49	2,000.00	267.5%
3542 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew	9.65	405.00	
Tickets TR Combo - Online Tickets TR Combo - VCVB	0.00 0.00	495.00 935.00	0.0% 0.0%
Tickets TRoom Only Single Tkt	0.00	600.00	0.0%
Tickets TR Combo - ARG	0.00	935.00	0.0%
Tickets TR Combo - Event Night	0.00	935.00	0.0%
Tickets Gen.Adm Event Night Beer Ticket 16Pack	0.00	1,830.00	0.0%
Post Event Glass Sales	0.00 5.00	630.00 20.00	0.0% 25.0%
Post Event TShirt Sales	20.00	40.00	50.0%
2017 Shirts - Long Sleeve White	0.00	800.00	0.0%
Tickets Gen.Adm Online	0.00	270.00	0.0%
Tickets Gen.Adm ARG Tickets Gen.Adm VCVB	0.00 0.00	1,830.00 1,830.00	0.0% 0.0%
Sponsor - City of Valdez	500.00	1,000.00	50.0%
Sponsor- BrewMaster	250.00	250.00	100.0%
Sponsor- Silver Music	0.00	300.00	0.0%
Sponsor- Beer Glass	2,000.00	2,500.00	80.0%
Total 3542 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew	2,775.00	15,200.00	18.3%
Total 2540 Economic Development Brograms	0.405.40	17 200 00	47.

8,125.49

17,200.00

47.2%

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VCVB	2018 Budget	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	2017 Vs 2018 Budget	
Income				DIFFERENCE	NOTES
3500 · City of Valdez					
	3501 · Grant Funding	446,245.00	446,245.11	0.00	No Changes, same as 2017 request.
	3504 · Civic Center Marketing	0.00	3,000.00	3000.00	Full Page Ad in Guide cut by Director of Parks & Rec.
Total 3500 · City of Valdez		446,245.00	449,245.11	0.00	
3510 · Membership					Introduced NEW Membership Program
	3516A · 3516A New Members	50.00	50.00	0.00	No Changes
	3514 · Adventure Corridor Membership	1,700.00	1,700.00	0.00	No Changes
	3513 · King Membership	3,700.00	3,700.00	0.00	No Changes
	3512 · Silver Membership	1,650.00	1,650.00	0.00	No Changes
	3511 · Pink Membership	4,400.00	4,400.00	0.00	No Changes
Total 3510 · Membership		11,500.00	11,500.00	0.00	
3520 · Cooperative Advertising]				Introduced NEW Advertising Program
	3527A · Sandwich Board Location	500.00	500.00	0.00	No Changes
	3529C · Discover Valdez Feature Webpage	500.00	500.00	0.00	No Changes
	3525A ⋅ Show Banner Panel AD	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00	No Changes
	3520C · Print & Digital Package	7,000.00	7,000.00	0.00	No Changes
	3520B · Digital Package	625.00	625.00	0.00	No Changes
	3520A · Print Package	12,200.00	12,200.00	0.00	No Changes
	3522A ⋅ 50 Fun Things FlipBook	1,500.00	1,500.00	0.00	No Changes
	3521 · VIC Television Ads	800.00	800.00	0.00	No Changes
	3522 · VCVB Wall Advertising Space	1,550.00	1,550.00	0.00	No Changes
	3524 · Vacation Guide Add. Listings	1,200.00	1,200.00	0.00	No Changes
	3526 · Vacation Guide Color Ad	27,760.00	24,851.00	0.00	slight increase due to ad changes
	3527 · VIC Display Cases	300.00	300.00	0.00	No Changes
Total 3520 · Cooperative Adve	rtising	55,735.00	52,826.00	0.00	
3530 · Membership Functions					
	3536 · Vendor Booths July 4th COV	580.00	270.00	170.00	Increase due to Booth demand
Total 3530 · Membership Func	tions	580.00	270.00	170.00	
3540 · Economic Development	Programs				
	3542 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew	15,200.00	15,200.00	0.00	No Changes
	3547 · Resale (Souvenirs)	7,358.94	2,000.00	0.00	increase expected
Total 3540 · Economic Develo	oment Programs	22,558.94	17,200.00	0.00	

VCVB	2018 Budget	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	2017 Vs 2018 Budget	
3560 · Donations		50.00	50.00	0.00	No change
3570 · Interest Income		20.00	20.00	0.00	No change
3580 · Refunds & Reimbursem	nents	0.00	0.00	0.00	No change
Total Income		536,688.94	531,111.11	0.00	
Cost of Goods Sold	(Souvenirs)				
	50000 · Cost of Goods Sold	2,200.00	2,100.00	1,000.00	Increase "conservative until 2017 ends"
Gross Profit		534,418.94	531,041.11	3,377.83	

VCVB	2018 Budget	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	2017 Vs 2018 Budget	
Expense					
4000 · Payroll Expenses					
	4013 · Membership/Digital Mkt Salary	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	No Change
	4011 · Service Coordinator Salary	40,000.00	40,000.00	0.00	No Change
	4041 · Staff Reimbusements	500.00	500.00	0.00	No Change
	4010 · Directory Salary	64,000.00	64,000.00	0.00	No Change
	4020 · Seasonal Staff Wages	22,000.00	22,000.00	0.00	No Change
	4025 · Hourly Staff Overtime Hours	0.00	500.00	-500.00	No overtime
	4030 · Employee Health Insurance/401K	27,000.00	22,015.00	4,985.00	Unknown if Health Care will increase again
	4040 · Employer Payroll Taxes	19,360.00	19,360.00	0.00	11% No Change
Total 4000 · Payroll Expenses		212,860.00	208,375.00	4,485.00	Increase to anticipate Health Care increase
4050 · Insurance					
	4051 · Liability Insurance	1,710.00	1,710.00	0.00	No Change
	4053 · Work Comp	861.00	861.00	0.00	No Change
	4055 · Board Insurance	1,225.00	1,225.00	0.00	No Change
Total 4050 · Insurance		3,796.00	3,796.00	0.00	
4060 · Employee Recruitment		0.00	2,000.00	0.00	Cut as advertising via Social Media

VCVB	2018 Budget	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	2017 Vs 2018 Budget	
4100 · Operating					
	4107 · Heating Fuel	6,000.00	5,000.00	1,000.00	Increase expected
	4106 · Electric	7,000.00	6,000.00	1,000.00	Increase expected
	4105 · City Garbage/Water/Sewer Fee	900.00	900.00	0.00	No Change
	4110 · Rent	36,000.00	36,000.00	0.00	No Change
	4111 · Building Maintenance	200.00	200.00	0.00	No Change
	4120 · Equipment Purchases & Repairs	0.00	1,905.00	-1,905.00	Cut as no foreseen additions expected
	4131 · Telephone	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00	Same as 2017
	4134 · Internet	2,400.00	2,400.00	0.00	Same as 2017
	4135 · Cell Phone	1,000.00	500.00	500.00	More live feeds expect increase in billing for 2018
	4140 · Postage and Delivery	14,000.00	12,000.00	2,000.00	Increase in demand expected
	4152 · Center Summer Flowers	0.00	75.00	-75.00	Cut - Growing own flowers and using plastic ones
	4151 · Center Cleaning Fees	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	No Change
	AAFF Detector of office	4 700 00	200.00	000.00	Lease Expiring. Changing out Printer. 1st Year Higher as added costs for change out one time set up, then rolls back
	4155 · Printing/office	1,700.00 3,000.00		900.00	2019) Reduction expected due to needs reduced
	4150 · Office Supplies 4165 · Credit Card Fees	0.00	1	-1,700.00	Cut - closed old machine as excess charges
	4165 · Retail Credit Card Fees	600.00	,	0.00	New credit card system with reduced fees
	4161 · Bank Service Charge	400.00		0.00	No Change
	4162 · Licenses & Permits	500.00		0.00	No Change
	7102 · LICENSES & FEITHES	300.00	300.00	0.00	
	4163 · Subscriptions	1,800.00	1,800.00	0.00	No Change (Adobe; Microsoft; Mail Chimp, Websites, APP)
	4170 · Training/Education	0.00	1,000.00	-1,000.00	No activity scheduled for 2018
	4186 · Audit/Taxes	16,000.00	16,000.00	0.00	Changing Auditor to sustain costs.
	4185 · Legal Fees	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	No Change
Total 4100 - Operating		95,900.00	96,680.00	-\$780.00	

VCVB	2018 Budget	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	2017 Vs 2018 Budget	
5000 · Program of Work					
	5100 · Advertising				
	5170 · Guides & Magazines	15,000.00	16,000.00	-1,000.00	2018 Print - Fish Alaska & AK Sportinging Journal Only, Travel Guide has offered free 2018 Full Ad)
	5130 · Internet/Web Sites	0.00	7,500.00	-7,500.00	Remove Campaigns for 1 Year.
	5131 · Branding	6,000.00	7,000.00	-1,000.00	Reduction due to utilizing profits in resale for purchase
	5132 · AK State Label Purchase	3,500.00	3,000.00	500.00	Increase to create more demand
	5150 · Radio & TV	6,000.00	4,000.00	2,000.00	Increase expected due to Board Director Seat renewals. Ads for Matsu & Fairbanks.
	Total 5100 · Advertising	30,500.00	37,500.00	-7,000.00	
	5200 · Marketing & Promotion				
	5220 · Distribution Services	16,000.00	10,000.00	6,000.00	Germany, Yukon/CA, Alaska & All Shows - Guide Distribution. Increase anticipated due to demand.
	5230 · Public Relations	0.00	10,000.00	-10,000.00	Cut for 1 year - maintain database & media kit in house
	5243 · Still and Video Production	4,500.00	4,500.00	0.00	No Change
	5244 - Fun Thing FlipBook	5,370.00	5,370.00	0.00	Reduced in cost for 2018
	5246 · Valdez Vacation Guide - Annual	62,410.00	62,410.00	0.00	2019 Guide - no changes
	5247 · Web Site Design/Maintenance	5,000.00	3,000.00	2,000.00	Increase to cover security updates only for website
	Total 5240 · Printing & Production	93,280.00	95,280.00	-2,000.00	
	5250 · Trade & Consumer Promotions				
	5251 · Exhibits	5,800.00	4,000.00	1,800.00	increase from Glenallen and Tok Displays expected
	5252 · Familiarization Trips	6,000.00	8,000.00	-2,000.00	Decreased but (covers Viking Spirit FAM if requested.
	5254 · Memberships	900.00	1,000.00	-100.00	Industry Membership
					Shows reduced to 4. Anc, Fbx, Portland (ORD) & MSY (New Orleans as per Mayor Knight suggestions) & IPW
	5255 · Registration	5,000.00	7,000.00	-2,000.00	Trade Only reduced
	5256 · Sponsorships	500.00	1,200.00	-700.00	reduced
	Total 5250 · Trade & Consumer Promotions	18,200.00	21,200.00	-3,000.00	
	Total 5000 · Program of Work	141,980.00	153,980.00	-12,000.00	

VCVB	2018 Budget	2018 Budget	2017 Budget	2017 Vs 2018 Budget	
6000 · Travel & Ent					
	6100 · Lodging	7,500.00	8,500.00	-1,000.00	Less Shows (OR, MSY, Anc & FBX, IPW)
	6300 ⋅ Meals	2,500.00	3,601.00	-1,101.00	Less Shows, per diem \$70 per day no change.
	6400 · Transportation	5,000.00	9,000.00	-4,000.00	Less Shows
	Total 6000 · Travel & Ent	15,000.00	21,101.00	-6101.00	
	66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies	0.00	0.00	0.00	None expected
7000 · Fundraising/Special	eve				
	7200 · Annual & Membership Mtgs	1,000.00	1,009.00	-9.00	No change
	7300 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew	15,200.00	15,200.00	0.00	No change
	Total 7000 · Fundraising/Special events	16,200.00	16,209.00	-9.00	
7700 · Resale	Retail Souvenirs	500.00	0.00	500.00	Increase "conservative until 2017 ends"
9999-FY end expenses		48,182.94			EOFY billings withdrawn Jan 2019
Total Expense		534,418.94	502,141.00		

PAGES 6, 7 & 8 PROGRAM INFORMATION FORMS

PROGRAM INFORMATION

ORGA	NIZATION NAME: <u>VALDEZ CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU</u>
Progra	am Title:TOURISM MARKETING & ADVERTISING OF THE CITY OF VALDEZ
Complet	e section below. Limit comments to this page.
1.	Summarize the program you are proposing. (You will provide the details in the scope of services form.)
	Design and implementation of destination marketing program to encourage travel to Valdez as a year-round destination.
2	Briefly, but specifically, describe why the program to be funded under this proposal is needed and how it will benefit the Valdez community. Is this a new or existing program? How have you determined the need for your program?
	The marketing of Valdez as a destination is essential to maintain and grow the tourism industry in our community. The programs that will be implemented in 2018 will continue these efforts by not only retaining successful programs, but by developing new programs that will allow the origination to reach more targets. Our continued mission will preserve Valdez on the itineraries of groups and independent travelers and draw others to Valdez benefiting our local economy. The benefits of a healthy tourism industry provides jobs throughout the community, increases revenues for local businesses, and allows an assortment of activities for local residents to enjoy.
3.	Is this program year-round, seasonal, or a one-time event?YEAR-ROUND
4.	Estimated number of people to be served by this program? <u>ENTIRE VAL</u> DEZ COMMUNIT Provide formula for estimate:
	All residents and connected businesses benefit from a strong tourism industry in Valdez. The spending of visitors dollars and then those dollars in turn being spent in the community.
5.	Target population served: (ie: youth, adult, Senior Citizens, disadvantaged, etc.)
	The potential travelers to Valdez are multi generational. The effects of the program serve all the business and residents of Valdez.
6.	Is membership in your organization required for participation: Yes x No
7.	Fee to participant: Member \$ 200-4000 Non-Member \$ n/a
8	Number of paid program staff: Full-time 3 Part-time Temporary 5

		N NAME: <u>VA</u> ation (continued		I & VISITORS BUREAU			
9.	Voluntee	r Services Inforn	nation:				
	Number	of volunteers:	Actual 2015 Actual 2016 Anticipated 2017 Estimated 2018	15 10 15 15			
	Source o	f volunteers (pare	nts, members, professionals, ot	hers):	_		
	Memb	ers, Businesses, Re	esidents of Valdez				
	Types of	services provide	ed by volunteers:		_		
		ng with events, proq ated committees	gram development servin	g on the Board of Directors and			
10.	Where will you operate this program? What facilities?						
11.	Sales ac	tivities take place ir	n Alaska and across the L				
11.		percentages of		City funding is available at th	E		
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	25%	ONLY THE VACAT	CION GUIDE PRODUCTION	ONNO_CENTER OPENED_AT	ALL_		
	0% _	<u>CLOSE</u> B <u>USINESS</u>					
12.	Americar employ to	ns with Disabilit o comply with the	ies Act (ADA). Wha e requirements of AD	sinesses or persons that violat methods does your organ A?	ization		
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ORG	ANIZATION NAME:	VALDEZ CONVENTION & VISITORS BUREAU	
Progi	ram Information (continu	ued)	
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13.	Any other comments y	ou would like to make about your program?	

"Tourism is an essential piece of the Valdez economy and ideally will grow to be a larger part of our communities economic base.

In order to have our businesses stabilize and grow we need to ensure that Valdez is active and competitive in the marketplace as travelers research and think about Alaska.

Simply stated:- It is the State of Alaska's task to plant the seed of Alaska as a destination and convert perspective travelers to committed travelers.- It is the community of Valdez's job, via VCVB, to take those committed Alaskan travelers and ensure that they include Valdez in their Alaska itinerary.- It is the businesses of Valdez's job to take those travelers that VCVB has reached out to and convert/book that business.

Without the second step, ensuring that Valdez is included in a travelers journey, our community will easily be overlooked and oversold by other destinations in Alaska. Generic marketing for Valdez is essential for our tourism industry. The VCVB will work with the State of Alaska and other regions in Alaska to leverage marketing dollars. By doing this we will use funds as efficiently as possible to attract new and returning visitors.

In the past we have been asked to write a plan and budget that is necessary to market the community of Valdez, not a budget that is based on the available Accommodations Tax. For 2018 we have taken the approach of continuing with successful programs, whilst spending the next 12 months researching and developing niche markets to separate Valdez from the rest of Alaska, creating value to the community. In addition, the VCVB will be working more closely with Ports & Harbor Dept, and the Economic Development Dept, creating diversity within our areas that adds further value to the community of Valdez.

Therefore, no additional funding will be required as in the past.

The 2018 programs being implemented by the VCVB can be found in the Scope of Services within this application.

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OPERATING EXPENSES OF PROPOSED PROGRAM/
BUDGET FORM #1

OPERATING EXPENSES OF PROPOSED PROGRAM

(Budget Form #1)

Program Expenses:	Budget	<u>Breakdown</u>
PERSONAL SERVICES: Salaries/wages Employee benefits Other:PAYROLL_TAXES	\$ <u>211,375.90</u>	\$165,865.90_ \$26,150_ \$19,360
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES: Reproduction/copying Equipment rental Data processing Dues/subscriptions Contractual services Professional fees & service Other:	\$ <u>21,100</u>	\$ \$ \$ \$_5,100 \$ \$_16,000
OTHER SERVICES: Volunteer services Communications/postage Printing Advertising/promotion Electricity Heating Travel/transportation Other:DUMPSTER/CITY_FE	\$ <u>241,743.04</u> ES	\$0 \$24,300 \$75,280 \$108,162.04 \$6,000 \$6,000 \$21,101 \$900
COMMODITIES: Clothing Office supplies Building maintenance Operating supplies Parts & supplies - equipme	\$ <u>4,900</u> nt	\$0 \$4,700 \$200 \$_0 \$0
OTHER CHARGES/EXPENSES: Insurance Contingencies Training Rent Capital equipment Office equipment Other expenses:FUNDRAI	\$_55,300	\$4,100 \$\$ \$\$\$ \$\$\$ \$\$\$
TOTAL COST FOR OPERATION		

OF THIS PROGRAM:

\$<u>534,418.94</u>

PAGE 10 FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROGRAM/ BUDGET FORM #2

ORGANIZATION NAME:	VALDEZ CONVENTION & VISITIORS BUREAU
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FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROGRAM

(Budget Form #2)

This program budget covers the period	of <u>01/01/2018</u>	to1 <u>2/31/2018</u>		
SOURCES OF PROGRAM FUNDING	GOAL AMOUNT	<u>%</u> <u>COM</u>	MITTED (Y/N)	
Parent Organization	\$		N <u>/A</u>	
Gifts and Contributions	\$		<u>N/A</u>	
Membership Dues	\$11,700	2.19	_YES	
Fees & charges to participants	\$55,105	_14.04	<u>YES MEMBE</u> RS ADVERTISING	
Private sector grants (specify source and date of award)	\$ \$ \$		<u>N/A</u>	
Fundraisers (specify major fundraising events/programs)	\$_15,200 \$ \$		<u>OCTOBER</u> ONLY	
Subtotal of Financial Support for this program:	\$ <u>82,005</u>	_16.23		
Supplemental Funding Requested from City of Valdez:	\$ <u>446,245.11</u>	<u>83.7</u> 7%		
TOTAL FUNDING FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROGRAM:	\$ _5 <u>3</u> 4,418.94	100%		

NOTE: Projected program financial support should meet or exceed projected program expenditures. If not, you must provide an explanation. If the financial support is projected to exceed the expenditures by a substantial amount, please provide an explanation as to why grant funds are being requested for this program.

ORGANIZATION NAME:valdez convention & visitors bureau					
SCOPE OF SERVICES					
Timeline OUTCOMES for 2018 (What do you plan to accomplish in 2018 - be specific)					
PLEASE REFER TO ATTACHED DOCUMENTATION.					

Attach additional pages if necessary

Definition: Outcome - End product or result accomplished.





2018 Scope of Services

Laurine Regan

Executive Director

Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau

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i. MISSION STATEMENT

The Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau (VCVB) is a highly entrepreneurial organization that collaborates and partners with municipal, community and business organizations to promote Valdez as the preferred travel destination within Alaska.

Valdez's location, picturesque setting, outstanding fishing, world class snow sports, spectacular glacier and flightseeing tours, excellent hotels and meeting space, cultural attractions and variety of retailing and restaurant experiences offer value driven experiences.

Capitalizing on the resources that Valdez has to offer is at the core of the Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau mission. What sets the organization apart is its innovative and entrepreneurial approach to driving economic impact in our region.

ii. 2018 OBJECTIVES

- Increase interest in Valdez as a travel destination and inspire a desire to visit.
- Strengthen brand identity and top-of-mind awareness.
- Conduct multi-pronged marketing campaigns aimed at the highest potential visitors.
- Generate marketing leads and requests for trip-planning information for Members.
- Select cost-effective media that supports the overall goal of attracting a diverse mix of visitors and travel types.
- Encourage residents, and their visiting friends and relatives, to experience Valdez business offering by providing travel-planning information.
- Continue Adventure Corridor marketing efforts that increase revenue dollars as well as pursue partnerships with other business along the highways (Richardson & Glenn).
- Track trends with high potential prospects and actual visitors.
- Continue to utilize the Visitor Survey Data results when developing programs.
- Provide tools and information to Valdez businesses to enhance individual marketing efforts.
- Drive traffic to all VCVB tourism marketing websites: (Main Business) valdezalaska.org;
 (Education) discovervaldezalaska.org; (Experiential) visitvaldezalaska.org (new coming in 2018)
- Provide leads from all VCVB tourism websites to Members that purchased this marketing option.
- Research Niche products available within Valdez for future marketing development. (NEW)

iii. MARKET POSITIONING

Position:

Highest potential visitors:

- 1. Disposable income age 21 & over.
- 2. Be a high-income earner
- 3. Retiree with disposable income.

Demographic Target Market

45 - 65-year

old's Affluent

Married

College

Educated

Frequent

Travelers

Maintain Current Target Markets:

Adventure Travelers & Highway Travelers.

Development of additional "Niche" products "New for 2018"

Features of a Niche Product • Uniqueness• Specificity• Relevance• Highly profitable

What Is a Niche Product? A niche is a distinctive or specialized segment of the market. It is characterized by a subset of consumers with a unique need. A niche product can be defined as goods or services designed to present features that appeal to a niche market. Such a product must be easily distinguishable from other products and is produced and specifically sold to users within this market niche. Creating or producing a niche product requires high intensity research and market evaluation.

Niche marketing is quite profitable because it lacks unfair competition, as the market is quite liberal for it. Valdez's tourism marketplace position, will be separated from the Alaskan competitive landscape - which competes currently and historically for the same travel market share with the same travel products - this will add value to Valdez and differentiate itself from the same competition via niche products which are added to Valdez's current product portfolio.

◆Bird Watching ◆Whale/Marine Biologist ◆Scuba Diving ◆Snow Kite Sports ◆Photography

iv. ADVERTISINGPrint, Internet & Social Media

a. Print:

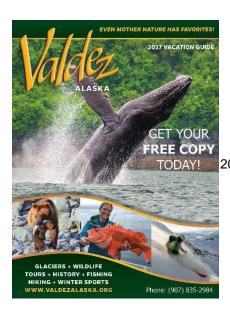
AK Sporting Journal; Fish Alaska; Travel Guide & Valdez Vacation Guide.

b. Internet:

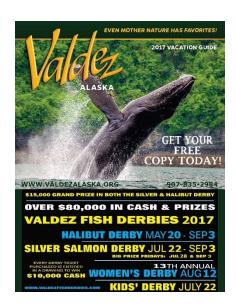
ValdezAlaska.org; DiscoverValdezAlaska.org; VisitValdezAlaska.org "New 2018", Valdez Mobile APP.

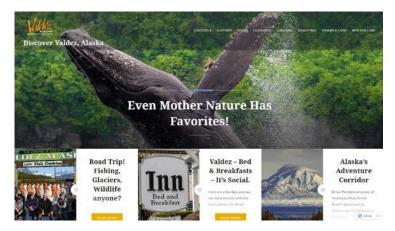
c. Social Media:

Facebook; Twitter; Pinterest; Instagram; Versy; You Tube; Vimeo Increase business member & community "Live Feed" Video Campaigns



2017 Print 2017 Print





Internet

v. MARKETING

Media; Lead Programs; Shows; Distribution

a. Media:

Journalist Yearly E-news Blast; continue to build journalist database; maintain Media Kit 2018, and research updates for future development.

b. Lead Programs:

Direct business lead generator; Consumer Quarterly E-news Blast.

c. 2018 Shows (Consumer):

Pacific Northwest Outdoor Sportsman Show – Portland Louisiana Outdoor Sportsman Show – New Orleans Great Alaskan Sportsman Show - Anchorage Outdoor Sportsman Show - Fairbanks Winter Show to be determined if cost effective.

d. Distribution:

Anchorage Distribution Company – (Guide) West & South Region; all consumer shows.

Gold City Distribution – (Guide) Interior and East.

PR Distribution Services - Yukon & Canada

Northern Distribution Services – (50 Fun Book) – all regions within Alaska.

Valdez Information Center

Distribute to consumers/buyers at all Consumer and Trade Shows

vi. PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

Vacation Guide; Fun Book; Niche Markets

Vacation Guide:

- a. Maintain 100,000 print copies.
- b. Keep the thicker stock cover with gloss overlay.
- c. Continue with Humpback Whale image on cover to continue to strengthen brand identity and bring Valdez to top-of-mind awareness.
- d. Print in house, area Guide Maps with 50 Fun Thing to Do features for local business distribution.

50 Fun Things to do in Valdez:

- a. Continue to sell advertising space to generate another income stream.
- b. Distribute to local businesses and throughout Alaska via Northern Distribution Services.

Niche Market/Product Research: "New for 2018"

- a. Research the economic market data for below Niche Markets:
 - Bird Watching/Birding \$107 billion is spent on birdwatching equipment and travel in the U.S. 666,000 jobs are created due to birdwatching. \$13 billion in local, state, and federal tax revenue results from birdwatching. 17.8 million Americans travel to see birds, putting millions into local economies. (Data supplied by 2011 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation National Overview-U.S. Fish & Wildlife)
 - Valdez lends itself to this niche as thousands of bird species migrate to/through Prince William Sound, and Valdez.
 - 2. **Whale/Marine Biologists** Valdez lends itself to this niche due to Whale Migration. In addition, Valdez has a business member who provides scientific services already available within Valdez.
 - 3. **Scuba Diving** A growing Alaskan product. Valdez lends itself to Scuba Diving with a guide already here, and can be diversified to Economic Development as a Certification Zone could be set up in Valdez utilizing the community swimming pool, and also trade expos via DEMA and other Diving organizations. The VCVB has partnered with a VCVB Business Member for consultation and work session programs.
 - 4. **Snow Kiting** A growing winter/spring sport product this activity uses both a Snowboard and a Ski. Valdez already has one event here during the Winter/Spring season. Whilst a small niche it still lends itself to further investigation.
 - 5. **Photography** A growing product Valdez is surrounded by natural beauty and wildlife, with a guide already providing this service, and, in addition to several professional photographers and media visiting each year (during all seasons) whilst a small niche it still lends itself to further investigation.

vii. TRADE

National; International; FAM Tours

National:

IPW - International POW WOW

ATIA – Alaska Travel Industry Association

IPW – A trade industry buyer meeting opportunity for Valdez to sell to USA National & International buyers. Face to face meetings are conducted over 3 days. The largest industry opportunity each year. Trade Show is held by the U.S. Travel Association.

International:

IPW (same as above)

FAM TOURS:

Buyer (Travel Agent) and Media FAM (Familiarization) Tours to Valdez is ongoing. All buyers and media are qualified before participation. The VCVB engages the business community to provide opportunities for their services/product exposure.

- a) Current 2018 Schedule: Media press trip booked.
- b) Anticipating assistance to the Viking Spirit FAM estimated to take place in 2018 prior to Cruise Ship the Viking Spirits' arrival.

What is included in FAM Tours? Business Members are invited to provide products/services to visiting Media/Buyers. Example: Winter operators provide Heli time for media conducting a winter tourism feature for Valdez, in addition accommodation; transportation; meals and other services needed for the FAM tour to be successful. FAM tours can be partially funded by the VCVB where applicable, but most are funded by the business members.

viii. COMMUNITY

- All non-profit community partner events are advertised at the center both verbal by staff, the notice board and throughout the center through advertising displays within the center.
- Event schedules are available now on the Mobile APP, and still maintained in the guide and the main website. Information updates are available as Events notify the VCVB.
- The VCVB will continue to assist in the July 4th Vendor Street Block Party.
- Cruise Ship Preparedness: The VCVB will continue to provide assistance to the City of Valdez Ports & Harbor Team during Cruise Shippreparedness.
- Continue to be a resource for the Community for tourism information and distribution of information.

Suggestion to Council: Allow regular "FREE" Community Market Day weekends throughout the Summer for the Local Community to participate and benefit from. The VCVB would be happy to assist again.

ix. REVENUE DEVELOPMENT

BRANDED PRODUCT SALES:

- Continue to research income retail souvenir product streams for cost effectiveness insell through to Visitors.
- Continue to support Community Event surplus items where financiallyable.
- Incorporate more Local Valdez Artistswork.
- Maintain labelling "Created & Designed in Valdez, Alaska USA)
- "New 2018" All 2018 Consumer Shows now lend themselves for the VCVB to take the
 current souvenir range and sell through to the Consumer attendee, therefore adding
 another income stream opportunity towards the goal forsustainability.

MEMBERSHIP SALES REVIEW:

- During 2017 The VCVB conducted a S.W.O.T analysis on the membership process,
 VCVB sustainability and marketing & advertising needs of the business members.
- Summary Results It was found that Membership and Marketing/Advertising products
 had been mixed together. The VCVB, firstly, is a membership based organization, with a
 product: Marketing/Advertising sales. The VCVB redeveloped its program to align with its
 business model. Membership is now separated from the Marketing & Advertising
 product.
- In addition, the new process allows the business members to build towards
 financially supporting the annual Vacation Guide via their Marketing & Advertising
 purchases working towards reducing the threat reported in the S.W.O.T
 analysis. The S.W.O.T analysis, in summary, can be found on the following
 pages.

S.W.O.T. SUMMARY

Executive Summary:

- The VCVB, as we all know, is a Member based organization which promotes Valdez Members business services, and the City of Valdez, to a world-wide targeted audience. The main goal of the organization is to target potential travelers to include Valdez as a preferred year-round travel destination within the State of Alaska. The VCVB is also a non-profit organization 501 c 6 designated. The VCVB non-profit designation, and noted clearly within the VCVB bylaws, and in accordance to the I.R.S, state that the VCVB is to have "Members" at various levels, with Dues that are charged for Membership, and provide benefits within that Membership. The VCVB also offers, secondary to Membership Dues, as an extra purchase Year-round Marketing & Advertising opportunities to those same Members through Print, Digital, Promotional Travel Shows (Consumer & Trade), In house displays and advertising areas, to name a few.
- The task each year is to review Membership Benefits, assess marketing and advertising strategies and develop value add services/opportunities to the Member base, and, also seek out new Memberships, all the while attempting to raise income levels to support these same strategies and programs.
- This year, the VCVB conducted a cost analysis and SWOT analysis to demonstrate ways of lowering the grant funding levels provided by the City of Valdez in case a future budget cut or reduction in grant funding was to occur. The VCVB would be remise in its duties if it did not regularly conduct a SWOT analysis at least each year as a minimum with regards to funding.
- As an organization, the VCVB is clearly threatened by the City of Valdez's ability to reduce its investment at any point in time. The State of Alaska has also reduced its funding to the key tourism industry promoter ATIA which could cause, at any time, severe economic changes to the tourism climate within the State that includes Valdez. Any dramatic changes to the industry and tourism climate has the potential to cause businesses (Members) to close-down operations, therefore reducing the tourism income stream into the City of Valdez.

In order to reduce the financial risk, the VCVB needs to work towards several outcomes.

1. Increase financial stability. 2. Reduce expenditures. 3. Add Value to the VCVB membership base. In order to address all three outcomes, the VCVB needs to develop and implement a new Membership structure, plus new advertising/marketing product value added programs, and change implementation schedule timelines.

A. Strengths:

- As an organization, the VCVB financial strengths lays in the opportunity that threatens its existence. The City of Valdez funds approximately 85% of the organizations total operations including the marketing and advertising programs it conducts to promote tourism for Valdez and its' business members.
- This year (2017) the VCVB received the Bed Tax collected plus an additional \$20,000 from the City of Valdez \$446,245.11
- 2016 saw the same amount invested by the City of Valdez.
- The VCVB has approximately 100 paying Members. The VCVB does have Trade/Industry Memberships that make up the balance of total Members 135, but these trade/industry members have reciprocal value and are not included within this assessment.
- The City of Valdez, through the VCVB Grant Funding, invested \$4,462.45 per each member for the VCVB to market and promote world-wide for the year of 2016. This same amount is being used again for the current year 2017.
- This averages out to \$371.87 being invested into each member per month by the City of Valdez via the VCVB Grant for the year.
- In 2016, the VCVB collected from the Members \$55,931. Each Member, on average, contributed \$46.61 each per month for the year of 2016.

B. Weakness:

As an organization, historically, the VCVB Marketing & Membership weaknesses have been varied at different points in time throughout the years of operation until 2015:

- A. Print deadlines not met.
- B. Invoices left unpaid or late by the Members.
- C. Business member type and advertisement errors in Vacation Guide.
- D. Members not rejoining due to believing a lack of value add to their business by the VCVB.
- E. Membership Staff not providing a value add service after Membership season had closed.
- F. Confusion over Membership and Marketing/Advertising cohesion to market.
- G. No new marketing product development implemented to add value to the Membership Base.

C. Opportunities:

As an organization, the VCVB has the opportunity to grow membership numbers along with marketing & advertising income expectations through:

- A. Providing regular and clear communication about Membership Benefits.
- B. Providing value-add marketing & advertising products to the Members.
- C. Improving Member relationships by regular communication throughout the year.
- D. Ongoing design and implementation of new value add products for the Members.
- E. Obtaining a total annual financial investment from the Members of \$84,795.89. Average investment per member per month \$70.66. This will recover the costs for the annual vacation guide (100,000 copies printed and distributed world-wide promoting the members who invested)

D. Threats:

As an organization, the VCVB is clearly threatened by the City of Valdez's ability to reduce its investment at any point in time. The State of Alaska has also reduced its funding to the key State of Alaska tourism industry promoter ATIA which could cause, at any time, severe economic changes to the tourism climate within the State that includes Valdez. Any dramatic changes to the industry and tourism climate has the potential to cause businesses (Members) to close-down operations, therefore reducing the tourism income stream into the City of Valdez.

Results Implemented May 1st, 2017

Membership - What's new:

Reduction in Membership Dues & revamp of benefits.

Membership Dues:

- a. Membership Dues are paid Annually.
- b. Start Date of Membership October 1st
- c. End Date of Membership September 30th
- d. Join after the closing date, pay full Annual Due Rate, no prorated amount.
- e. Any Business can join at any time.
- f. Membership Sales season is year-round.
- g. Early Bird signup season is May 1st to June 15th, Winner announced June 16th. \$200 Free Advertising Discount as prize.
- h. Members can apply for a seat on the VCVB Board of Directors when vacant seats are available. (Must be a Valdez resident to qualify with qualifying Membership Level)
- i. All Members have a dedicated business profile page on the main tourism website ValdezAlaska.org
- j. All Members have a dedicated business profile on the new Valdez mobile APP.
- k. Maintain Membership Level pricing for 3 years.

2017/2018 Marketing & Advertising Product

What's new:

a. New "Marketing & Advertising" Product Packages introduced:

Print Package

Digital Package

Print & Digital Package with Bonuses.

- b. Fabric AD Panel for new Consumer show banner.
- c. DiscoverValdezAlaska.org Feature Page.
- d. VisitValdezAlaska.org Image & Video Feature Page.
- e. Reduction in Center Wall Panel AD pricing.
- f. Reduction in Fun Book Spot pricing.
- g. Maintain pricing for 3 years.

Implementation Direction:

- 1. Marketing & Advertising Sales Season officially commences May 1st. and expires after 12 months.
- 2. All Packages are available to any Business Member or Business.
- 3. All packages can be purchased at any time.
- 4. All packages and/or additional marketing options can be added at any time to the Business Members portfolio.
- 5. Packages including **PRINT** 2018 Guide advertising Deadline August 1st therefore must be purchased before deadline to be included in the annual Valdez Vacation Guide. The 2018 Guide hits the streets for distribution on October 1st, 2017.

BALANCE SHEET AND PROFIT & LOSS REPORT AS OF JUNE 30, 2017

Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Balance Sheet

As of June 30, 2017

	Jun 30, 17
ASSETS	
Current Assets Checking/Savings	
Front Desk Cash Register VCVB Operating	80.00 85,601.37
Total Checking/Savings	85,681.37
Accounts Receivable 1200 · Accounts Receivable	9,462.14
Total Accounts Receivable	9,462.14
Other Current Assets 12100 · Inventory Asset 1300 · Prepaids Petty Cash	9,846.35 38,170.44 85.34
Total Other Current Assets	48,102.13
Total Current Assets	143,245.64
Fixed Assets 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment 1600 · Office Equipment 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment - Other	13,472.72 -7,110.60
Total 1610 · Accum.Deprec.Office Equipment	6,362.12
Total Fixed Assets	6,362.12
TOTAL ASSETS	149,607.76
LIABILITIES & EQUITY Liabilities Current Liabilities Accounts Payable 2000 · Accounts Payable	641.18
Total Accounts Payable	641.18
Other Current Liabilities 2200 · Deferred Revenue Employee Health Insurance/401K 2100 · Payroll Liabilities ESC Payable FEB/SS/MED Payable FUTA payable 2100 · Payroll Liabilities - Other	30,742.14 3,427.50 2,070.60 3,464.91 45.85 7,091.54
Total 2100 · Payroll Liabilities	12,672.90
Total Other Current Liabilities	46,842.54
Total Current Liabilities	47,483.72
Total Liabilities	47,483.72
Equity 1110 - Retained Earnings Net Income	-37,266.11 139,390.15
Total Equity	102,124.04
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	149,607.76

Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Profit & Loss

January through June 2017

Jan - Jun 17

Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
3500 · City of Valdez	
3501 · City of Valdez Grant Funding	388,232.52
3504 · Civic Center Marketing Advert.	3,000.00
3304 * Civic Center Marketing Advert.	3,000.00
Total 3500 · City of Valdez	391,232.52
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3510 · Membership	
3516A · 3516A New Members	50.00
3514 · Adventure Corridor Membership	150.00
3513 · King Membership	1,300.00
3512 · Silver Membership	300.00
3511 · Pink Membership	900.00
Total 3510 · Membership	2,700.00
Total 3310 Membership	2,700.00
3520 · Cooperative Advertising	
3527A · Sandwich Board Location	500.00
3529C · Discover Valdez Feature Webpage	500.00
3525A · Show Banner Panel AD	600.00
3520C · Print & Digital Package	3,000.00
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3520A · Print Package	2,400.00
3522A · 50 Fun Things FlipBook	1,000.00
3521 · VIC Television Ads	200.00
3522 · VCVB Wall Advertising Space	600.00
3524 · Vacation Guide Add. Listings	200.00
3526 · Vacation Guide Color Ad	8,935.00
3527 · VIC Display Cases	300.00
Total 3520 · Cooperative Advertising	18,235.00
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3530 · Membership Functions 3536 · Vendor Booths July 4th COV	700.00
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Total 3530 · Membership Functions	700.00
3540 · Economic Development Programs	
3900 · Retail Income	
Vintage Map	90.00
Valdez Gold Pins	140.00
V Logo Thumb drives 256mb	12.00
TShirts	2,155.00
Staff Discount	-26.00
Salmon - Terriyaki	140.00
Salmon - Pepper	170.00
Salmon - Original	295.00
Promotional Use Only	-322.00
Promotional Use - Staff Shirts	-325.00
Postcards	139.00
HeliArt - Sticker	57.00
HeliArt - Iron On Patch	62.00
HeliArt - Fridge Magnet	27.00
Event - Fly In - T-Shirts	50.00
Event - Fly In - Baseball Caps	105.00
3547A · Resale	0.00
	0.00
Total 3900 · Retail Income	2,769.00
3542 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew	
Post Event TShirt Sales	20.00
Total 2540 Oktoboufoot and University	20.00
Total 3542 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew	20.00
Total 3540 · Economic Development Programs	2,789.00

Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Profit & Loss

January through June 2017

	Jan - Jun 17
3560 · Donations 3570 · Interest Income	30.00 3.99
3580 · Refunds & Reimbursements	262.53
Total Income	415,953.04
Cost of Goods Sold 50000 · Cost of Goods Sold	1,106.05
Total COGS	1,106.05
Gross Profit	414,846.99
Expense	
Cruise Ship Welcome Sign	10,955.66
4000 · Payroll Expenses	
4013 · Membership/Digital Mkt Salary	16,666.74
4011 · Service Coordinator Salary	19,328.65
4041 · Staff Reimbusements	350.00
4010 · Directory Salary	32,092.50
4020 · Office Staff Wages	11,028.30
4025 · Hourly Staff Overtime Hours	29.25
4030 · Employee Health Insurance/401K	11,920.96
4040 · Employer Payroll Taxes	7,044.84 0.00
4000 · Payroll Expenses - Other Total 4000 · Payroll Expenses	98,461.24
	90,401.24
4050 · Insurance	4 000 00
4051 · Liability Insurance	1,660.00
4053 · Work Comp	-79.00
Total 4050 · Insurance	1,581.00
4100 · Operating	4 000 70
4107 · Heating Fuel	4,220.76
4106 · Electric	3,489.37
4105 · City Garbage/Water/Sewer Fee 4110 · Rent	217.97
4130 Communications	15,000.00
4131 · Telephone	1.123.66
4134 · Internet	1,462.14
4135 · Cell Phone	590.66
Total 4130 · Communications	3,176.46
4140 · Postage and Delivery	6,213.65
4150 · Office Supplies	.,
4151 · Center Cleaning Fees	668.08
4155 · Printing/office	310.16
4150 · Office Supplies - Other	4,700.00
Total 4150 · Office Supplies	5,678.24
4160 · Fees	
4166 · Retail Credit Card Fees	156.90
4165 · Credit Card Fees	1,088.13
4161 · Bank Service Charge	220.74
4162 · Licenses & Permits	100.00
4163 · Subscriptions	1,702.87
Total 4160 · Fees	3,268.64
4180 · Professional Fees	
4186 · Audit/Taxes	11,987.47
Total 4180 · Professional Fees	11,987.47
Total 4100 · Operating	53,252.56
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Net Income

Valdez Convention & Visitors Bureau Profit & Loss

January through June 2017

	Jan - Jun 17
5000 · Program of Work 5100 · Advertising 5170 · Guides & Magazines 5131 · Branding 5132 · AK State Label Purchase 5150 · Radio & TV	15,587.24 5,589.47 3,200.00 3,225.00
Total 5100 · Advertising	27,601.71
5200 · Marketing & Promotion 5220 · Distribution Services 5230 · Public Relations 5240 · Printing & Production 5243 · Still and Video Production 5246 · Valdez Vacation Guide - Annual 5247 · Web Site Design/Maintenance	9,319.16 9,725.69 4,500.00 15,000.00 3,134.23
Total 5240 · Printing & Production	22,634.23
5250 · Trade & Consumer Promotions 5251 · Exhibits 5252 · Familiarization Trips 5254 · Memberships 5255 · Registration 5256 · Sponsorships	3,300.00 7,724.42 857.50 6,986.89 1,095.00
Total 5250 · Trade & Consumer Promotions	19,963.81
Total 5200 · Marketing & Promotion	61,642.89
Total 5000 · Program of Work	89,244.60
6000 · Travel & Ent 6100 · Lodging 6300 · Meals 6400 · Transportation	7,738.01 3,522.80 9,000.00
Total 6000 · Travel & Ent	20,260.81
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies 7000 · Fundraising/Special events 7200 · Annual & Membership Mtgs 7300 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew 7300B · Event Ticketing/Printing	4.33 1,223.74 385.40
Total 7300 · Oktoberfest and Home Brew	385.40
Total 7000 · Fundraising/Special events	1,609.14
7700 · Resale	87.50
Total Expense	275,456.84
Net Ordinary Income	139,390.15
et Income	139,390.15