

GRANT FUNDING REQUEST FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE ORGANIZATIONS

2019 FUNDING REQUEST/CERTIFICATION FORM

ORGANIZATION NAME: Alaska Avalanche Information Center inc.

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PROGRAM TITLE: Valdez Avalanche Center - Snow Safety for Valdez, Weather Data

FUNDING REQUEST FOR 2019: \$ 52,500

1. Non-Profit Corporation? YES xxx NO

Date of incorporation:
12/10/10

Federal Tax ID #:
80-0674646

2. Organization's estimated TOTAL 2019 operating budget: \$ 197,150

3. Historical Funding and Membership Information

	Total CSO Budget	City Funding	City % of Total	# of Members
2016	65,500	40,000	61.0	140
2017	92,700	52,500	56.6	150
2018	100,300	52,500	52.3	155
2019	114,800	52,500	45.7	160

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

Funds from 2018 were used as agreed and detailed in the application. This included expenses for a professional avalanche forecaster, support for the Executive Director, daily weather observation data collected and published, insurance premiums, education programs for Valdez residents from elementary, middle, high school and community members, and emergency response services provided on an as needed/on call basis. The Valdez Avalanche Center (VAC) again established an information Kiosk in Thompson Pass which ran from mid-March through the end of April and provided daily forecast information plus three weekly education programs. The Valdez Center issued 139 advisories from October through April 2018. The one full-time and three part-time forecasters worked with three observers to collect and analyze field data. Over the season Thompson Pass received 423" of recorded snow while Valdez received 133". Memorable weather events included an extended storm cycle in December with two storms dumping over 100" of snow followed by three wind events exceeding 60 mph for extended durations. The peak of the season (March-April) was almost void of new snow. An average of 300 people viewed the forecast each day throughout the season with more than 45,000 views in total. Although there were a few close calls there were zero fatalities.

ATTACHMENTS: (label as indicated)

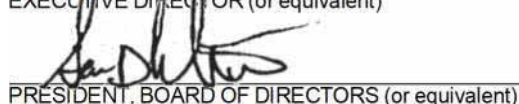
- Copy of your organization's most recent fiscal year-end financial statements including balance sheet and profit and loss, and sources and uses of revenues. These statements must also show all accumulated fund balances for all of the organization's assets. (label page 2, 3 & 4)
- Copy of balance sheets from three prior fiscal years. (label page 5, 6 & 7)
- Copy of your organization's estimated current operating budget, including revenues and expenditures. (label page 8)
- Copy of proposed 2019 budget, including revenues and expenditures. (label page 8)
- Copy of your organization's balance sheet and profit and loss as of 6/30/2018

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.


EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR (or equivalent)

8/29/2018
DATE


PRESIDENT, BOARD OF DIRECTORS (or equivalent)

8/29/2018
DATE

(Most Recent Fiscal Year-End Financial Statement to include all
fund balances on all organization's funds)
(All Funds)

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Accrual Basis

Alaska Avalanche Information Center
Profit & Loss
July 2017 through June 2018

	Jul '17 - Jun 18
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
43300 · Direct Public Grants	
43310 · Corporate and Business Grants	11,629.20
43330 · Foundation and Trust Grants	33,980.00
Total 43300 · Direct Public Grants	45,609.20
43400 · Direct Public Support	
43410 · Corporate Contributions	1,250.00
43450 · Individ/Business Contributions	29,246.08
43490 · Private Contracts	4,500.00
Total 43400 · Direct Public Support	34,996.08
44400 · Government Contracts	
44450 · State Contracts	24,850.00
Total 44400 · Government Contracts	24,850.00
44500 · Government Grants	
44530 · Local Government Grants	52,500.00
Total 44500 · Government Grants	52,500.00
46400 · Other Types of Income	
46410 · Advertising Sales	0.00
46420 · Inventory Sales	690.00
46430 · Miscellaneous Revenue	84.73
Total 46400 · Other Types of Income	774.73
47200 · Program Income	
47230 · Membership Dues	625.00
47240 · Program Service Fees	30,302.70
Total 47200 · Program Income	30,927.70
49000 · Special Events Income	
49010 · Special Events Contributions	7,572.39
49020 · Special Events Sales (Nongift)	214.90
49000 · Special Events Income - Other	4,020.45
Total 49000 · Special Events Income	11,807.74
Total Income	201,465.45
Gross Profit	201,465.45
Expense	
60300 · Awards and Grants	
60340 · Scholarship Awards	1,300.00
Total 60300 · Awards and Grants	1,300.00
60900 · Business Expenses	
60918 · PayPal Fees	809.83
60920 · Bank Charge	
60923 · VOID	0.00
60920 · Bank Charge - Other	87.31
Total 60920 · Bank Charge	87.31
60921 · Business Registration Fees	250.00
60924 · Professional Membership dues	1,584.00
60925 · Reimbursement	2,188.37
60900 · Business Expenses - Other	75.00
Total 60900 · Business Expenses	4,994.51

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Alaska Avalanche Information Center
Profit & Loss
July 2017 through June 2018

	Jul '17 - Jun 18
62100 · Contract Services	
62110 · Accounting Fees	2,387.50
62150 · Outside Contract Services	20,203.72
62170 · Valdez Observation	400.00
Total 62100 · Contract Services	22,991.22
62800 · Facilities and Equipment	
62810 · Equipment	1,699.02
62840 · Equip Rental and Maintenance	331.22
62800 · Facilities and Equipment - Other	2,449.00
Total 62800 · Facilities and Equipment	4,479.24
64000 · Program Expenses	
64001 · Student Certification Fees	1,240.00
64002 · Program Supplies	6,439.66
64003 · Permit Fees	25.00
64000 · Program Expenses - Other	1,427.96
Total 64000 · Program Expenses	9,132.62
65000 · Operations	
65020 · Postage	458.43
65030 · Printing and Copying	244.16
65040 · Supplies	537.90
65050 · Telecommunications	1,755.86
65060 · In-Field Communications	1,788.22
65000 · Operations - Other	250.00
Total 65000 · Operations	5,034.57
65100 · Other Types of Expenses	
65110 · Advertising Expenses	2,626.46
65120 · Insurance	
65124 · Professional liability Insurance	3,897.05
65121 · Directors & Officers	646.00
65122 · General Liability	8,262.00
65123 · Workers Compensation	8,900.00
65120 · Insurance - Other	428.00
Total 65120 · Insurance	22,133.05
65130 · Fundraising	1,182.00
65170 · Staff Development	1,050.00
Total 65100 · Other Types of Expenses	26,991.51
66000 · Payroll Expenses	106,200.04
66900 · Reconciliation Discrepancies	-12.12
68300 · Travel and Meetings	
68310 · Conference, Convention, Meeting	732.50
68300 · Travel and Meetings - Other	7,670.44
Total 68300 · Travel and Meetings	8,402.94
68400 · Website	3,316.45
Total Expense	192,830.98
Net Ordinary Income	8,634.47
Net Income	8,634.47

Copy of Three Prior Fiscal Years' Balance Sheets
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Accrual Basis

Alaska Avalanche Information Center
Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2017

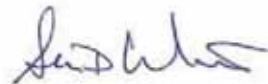
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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
001 · AAIC Main	27,527.89
007 · PayPal Account	2,891.05
Total Checking/Savings	30,418.94
Accounts Receivable	
11000 · Accounts Receivable	8,800.00
Total Accounts Receivable	8,800.00
Other Current Assets	
011 · Liam Walsh Memorial Fund	1.00
12000 · Undeposited Funds	2,800.00
Total Other Current Assets	2,801.00
Total Current Assets	42,019.94
TOTAL ASSETS	42,019.94
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Credit Cards	
51000 · Credit Accounts	
51100 · AAIC Main 0040	281.13
51300 · Hatcher Pass 0131	-26.80
Total 51000 · Credit Accounts	254.33
Total Credit Cards	254.33
Other Current Liabilities	
24000 · Payroll Liabilities	79.60
Total Other Current Liabilities	79.60
Total Current Liabilities	333.93
Total Liabilities	333.93
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	4,157.57
32000 · Retained Earnings	35,250.07
Net Income	2,278.37
Total Equity	41,686.01
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	42,019.94

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Alaska Avalanche Information Center
Balance Sheet
As of August 21, 2016

	Aug 21, 16
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
001 - AAIC Main	7,652.17
007 - Pay Pal	2,195.72
Total Checking/Savings	9,847.89
Accounts Receivable	
11000 - Accounts Receivable	12,000.00
Total Accounts Receivable	12,000.00
Other Current Assets	
Inventory Asset	-28.74
009 - Michael O'Leary Scholarship Acc	700.82
010 - Johnny Soderstrom Scholarship	545.90
011 - Liam Walsh Memorial Fund	8,793.24
012 - Erik Peterson Memorial	1.00
Total Other Current Assets	10,012.22
Total Current Assets	31,860.11
TOTAL ASSETS	31,860.11
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
20000 - Accounts Payable	60.00
Total Accounts Payable	60.00
Credit Cards	
51000 - Credit Accounts	
0040 - AAIC Main Credit account	-1,260.48
0285 - EARAC	101.00
51000 - Credit Accounts - Other	27.00
Total 51000 - Credit Accounts	-1,132.48
Total Credit Cards	-1,132.48
Other Current Liabilities	
24000 - Payroll Liabilities	-50.15
Total Other Current Liabilities	-50.15
Total Current Liabilities	-1,122.63
Total Liabilities	-1,122.63
Equity	
30000 - Opening Balance Equity	3,161.75
32000 - Retained Earnings	34,667.08
Net Income	-4,848.09
Total Equity	32,982.74
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	31,860.11

Approved by the Board of Directors: 9.18.16
Authorized Signer: Board President Sean Wisner

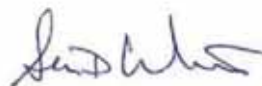


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Accrual Basis

Alaska Avalanche Information Center
Balance Sheet
As of June 30, 2015

	Jun 30, 15
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
001 · AAIC Main	13,864.86
006 · VAC	-1,121.76
007 · Pay Pal	3,982.64
Total Checking/Savings	16,725.94
Accounts Receivable	
11000 · Accounts Receivable	14,705.00
Total Accounts Receivable	14,705.00
Other Current Assets	
Inventory Asset	-28.74
009 · Michael O'Leary Scholarship Acc	1,499.54
010 · Johnny Soderstrom Scholarship	500.00
Total Other Current Assets	1,970.80
Total Current Assets	33,401.74
TOTAL ASSETS	33,401.74
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
20000 · Accounts Payable	60.00
Total Accounts Payable	60.00
Credit Cards	
51000 · Credit Accounts	
0040 · AAIC Main Credit account	168.00
51000 · Credit Accounts - Other	27.00
Total 51000 · Credit Accounts	195.00
Total Credit Cards	195.00
Other Current Liabilities	
24000 · Payroll Liabilities	148.02
Total Other Current Liabilities	148.02
Total Current Liabilities	403.02
Total Liabilities	403.02
Equity	
30000 · Opening Balance Equity	3,180.75
32000 · Retained Earnings	14,329.58
Net Income	15,508.39
Total Equity	32,998.72
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	33,401.74

Approved by Board and Signed 9.15.15
Authorized Signer: Sean Wisner, Board President



(Organization's Current Operating Budget and Proposed 2019 Budget)

ALASKA AVALANCHE INFORMATION CENTER BUDGETS 2018-19 FY

INCOME (This includes education and all state-wide income and expenses)		
AAIC STATEWIDE	2018FY Budget	2019FY
State of Alaska DPS	\$24,890.50	\$24,850.00
City of Valdez	\$52,500.00	\$52,500.00
City of Haines	\$3,000.00	\$3,500.00
City of Palmer	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Chilkat Foundation	\$0.00	\$1,000.00
Fishhook Community Council	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Friends of the CNFAIC	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Mat Su Trails	\$3,360.00	
Fairbanks Regional Hospital	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
Goldenheart Foundation	\$0.00	\$750.00
Rasmuson Foundation	\$25,000.00	\$15,000.00
Alaska Community Foundation	\$5,800.00	\$5,000.00
AARP Alaska	\$6,500.00	\$6,500.00
AIARE Education programs	\$30,000.00	\$20,000.00
AAIC fee based education	\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
Alaska Pick.Click.Give	\$0.00	\$5,000.00
Conoco Phillips	\$2,500.00	\$4,000.00
Individual donors	\$4,500.00	\$12,000.00
Center Dues	\$2,500.00	\$3,000.00
Membership Dues	\$1,000.00	\$1,800.00
Fundraising events	\$2,000.00	\$15,000.00
Mat Su Emergency Expo	\$1,800.00	\$1,500.00
Radio Promotions	\$1,800.00	\$2,000.00
Private Contracts	\$4,500.00	\$7,500.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$190,650.50	\$199,900.00
EXPENSES		
Admin Staff Gross Payroll (D McGhan & Asst.)	\$38,000.00	\$36,000.00
Assist: \$6,000	\$5,000.00	\$15,000.00
Forecasters	\$20,000.00	\$30,000.00
Instructors, obs	\$20,000.00	\$25,000.00
Contract services (Instructors, weather obs not payroll)	\$10,000.00	\$11,000.00
Staff Development	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
Insurance-Workers' Comp	\$6,800.00	\$9,000.00
Insurance-General Liability	\$12,000.00	\$8,500.00
Insurance - Professional Liability	\$6,562.00	\$4,000.00
Insurance- Directors and Officers	\$600.00	\$650.00
Insurance - Equipment	\$600.00	\$750.00
Professional Membership Dues (AAA, CAA, AIARE)	\$1,250.00	\$1,800.00
Constant Contact Inc (Advertising)	\$1,027.90	\$3,000.00
Bank & PayPal Fees	\$800.00	\$900.00
Accounting Fees (Foraker)	\$775.97	\$2,500.00
Communications-InReach Devices	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00
Communications mobile phones (valdez)	\$1,800.00	\$1,800.00
Equipment	\$1,800.00	\$2,500.00
Facility fees	\$2,500.00	\$6,000.00
Operations (printing, postage, utilities...)	\$1,000.00	\$1,500.00
Program Expenses (supplies, permit fees, course material)	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
Scholarship Awards	\$4,250.00	\$2,500.00
Travel and meeting expenses	\$10,000.00	\$9,000.00
Fundraising event expenses	\$8,895.00	\$5,000.00
Website Development & Maintenance (AKSYS, KeyLink IT)	\$6,175.00	\$7,000.00
TOTALS EXPENSES	\$173,835.87	\$196,900.00

PROGRAM INFORMATION

ORGANIZATION NAME: Alaska Avalanche Information Center, Inc.

Program Title: Valdez Avalanche Center - Snow Safety for Valdez, Weather Data

Complete 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.)

AAIC proposes to continue avalanche education and forecasting services for the City of Valdez and surrounding region. We will continue to provide consistent, reliable snow stability forecasts and quality snow science and backcountry travel education programs that have reduced the rate of avalanche burials and fatalities in the Valdez, Thompson Pass area. We will also continue to provide year-round climate records for rain and snow as well as weather station services for the city of Valdez and provide emergency response services on an on-call, as-needed basis.

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?

Valdez is one of the snowiest communities in the world and is surrounded by slopes capable of producing catastrophic avalanches. The Eastern Chugach mountains are internationally known for their allure to snow sport enthusiasts and Thompson Pass is the choice destination for thousands of local visitors and tourists each winter. The operations of the AAIC and VAC are primarily justified by the presence and significance of this hazard. In the ten years the AAIC and VAC have operated in Valdez, the occurrence of fatalities, full burials, and close calls has significantly reduced. The AAIC hosts the VAC website and provides online snow condition forecasts and snow science education opportunities for the community and users in the Valdez and Thompson Pass area. The AAIC and VAC also compile and archive climate and weather data, a service left void in the community after the National Weather Service withdrew from Valdez in 2015. This data is invaluable and can be used by the city to help predict, account for, and mitigate flooding, snow loads, snow removal, and to warn against the risk of potential avalanches. The forecasting, avalanche education, and climate record collection and tracking are all existing programs of the AAIC.

3. Is this program year-round, seasonal, or a one-time event? year-around

Schedule: Beginning date:
1/1/2019

Ending date:
12/31/2019

4. Estimated number of people to be served by this program? 80,000
Provide formula for estimate:

AAIC websites and education programs; during the peak of the season and special seasonal events, avalanche forecast bulletins are accessed online in excess of 800 times per day. The average throughout the entire season is approximately 300 per day for approximately 220 days. The Education programs provided through Prince William Sound College, Valdez schools, community and businesses reached more than 1,100 students directly. As the center has grown, so have the number of individuals who rely on these service. An influx of out-of-state visitors has also increased demand.

5. Target population served: (ie: youth, adult, Senior Citizens, disadvantaged, etc.)

The AAIC programs serve youth, adults, senior citizens, disadvantaged individuals, employees working in the field, and all winter time, backcountry, mountain travelers.

6. Is membership in your organization required for participation: Yes _____ No X

7. Fee to participant: Member \$ N/A Non-Member \$ N/A

8. Number of paid program staff: Full-time 1 Part-time 3 Temporary 6

ORGANIZATION NAME: Alaska Avalanche Information Center, Inc.

Program Information (continued)

Source of volunteers (parents, members, professionals, others):

Volunteers generally learn about the AAIC by attending one of our training or education events, through our website, through personal recommendations, contacts made at industry conferences and workshops or through our volunteer recruiting efforts. The typical volunteer is someone that recreates in the backcountry and shares a passion for snow safety.

Types of services provided by volunteers:

Volunteers provide many services related to AAIC operations. Volunteers raise funds, coordinate events, assist with the educational programming, collect data, write observations, update websites, collaborate and work directly with avalanche practitioners and generally assist in disseminating information to the public at large.

9. Where will you operate this program? What facilities?

Administration of AAIC programs is currently managed by Executive Director Debra McGhan, whose office is located in Wasilla, Alaska; Financial management is provided by the Foraker Group, whose offices are located in Anchorage, Alaska. The VAC maintains an office at Mile 10 of the Richardson Highway, Valdez. Training and education events take place throughout the Valdez community; and in the field around Valdez and Thompson Pass.

10. What is the specific impact on your program if City funding is available at the following percentages of your request?

75%

AAIC would reduce forecasting and education services for Valdez resulting in fewer forecasts, education programs and general services

50%

AAIC would cut all services by 50% for Valdez resulting in a once a week forecast, three-day weather data collection and 50% fewer education programs.

25%

AAIC would cover critical expenses and provide a once weekly professional observation with minimal weather data collection.

0%

AAIC would rely on individual donors and volunteers to provide minimal services for the city of Valdez. We would eliminate the weather data collection services and seek outside funding to provide the most critical services for the safety of Valdez.

11. The City is prohibited from contracting with businesses or persons that violate the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). What methods does your organization employ to comply with the requirements of ADA?

The AAIC provides services to everyone without regard to ability. We embrace those with disabilities and are willing and prepared to make special arrangements for specific needs by request. AAIC bulletins, forecast and education information are ADA compliant and available to the public online.

12. Any other comments you would like to make about your program?

The Alaska Avalanche Information Center, Valdez Avalanche Center continues to see an increase in the use of backcountry recreation and thus, an increase in the hazard and risk of unintentional injuries and deaths relating to backcountry travel and avalanches making the need for the AAIC services even more valued and important than ever. Since the organization was first established in 2008, the number of fatal avalanches in the Valdez region has decreased and the scope of services have expanded from forecasting and education to include weather data collection, consulting and risk mitigation work. The AAIC statewide network of avalanche centers continues to expand with Valdez serving as the hub, base and model for the organization. Each region now contributes to the overall budget of the AAIC reducing the burden on any one region allowing us to more fully serve all areas of the state. The VAC provides avalanche information addressing the common access points and areas traveled from the Port of Valdez out to Mile 70 of the Richardson Highway.

In addition to providing information to the public free of charge, the professionals with the VAC frequently contract with local companies to provide training for visitors and employees who recreate, work, and travel in avalanche terrain. Each spring Valdez continues to see an influx of visitors from around the state and the globe who visit the community for outdoor recreation and special sporting events. For the past three seasons the VAC has established an information kiosk manned by professional snow forecasters and educators in Thompson Pass directly across the highway from the location of Tailgate, Alaska, an international mountain sporting event staged in Thompson Pass. This has proven to be extremely successful and allows quick, easy access by all visitors to the pass, providing expanded services and outreach during multiple events held in Thompson Pass. The AAIC is ready, willing and capable of continuing the safety and education services with support from the City of Valdez.

Contracts and fee for service training programs are increasingly supporting the Center's operating budget.

In order to sustain this program it is critical the VAC employ highly trained, dedicated staff who demonstrate the ability to provide consistent, quality and dependable services to handle the forecasting, tracking climate data (rain and snow fall) and education services. We generally hire one full-time seasonal employee to ensure this service is consistent, reliable and ongoing. Requested funds will be used to help cover the information kiosk expenses, forecasting services, insurance premiums, stipends for interns/support staff to post information on the AAIC public avalanche website, weather station maintenance, general operations (admin, utilities, insurance, marketing, accounting) and education services for the schools and community of Valdez.

The AAIC currently employs a part-time executive director working approximately 30 hours per week year-round. All work required for collecting, interpreting, and communicating avalanche forecast and weather data is performed by a full-time seasonal forecaster.

The remainder of the work performed by AAIC is typically done by volunteers. The motivation driving our volunteers is their ability to offer others potentially life-saving information that helps individuals and employers make sound decisions about their outdoor activities in avalanche terrain.

For Further information, Alaska Avalanche Information Center web page: <https://www.alaskasnow.org>

ORGANIZATION NAME: Alaska Avalanche Information Center, Inc.

OPERATING EXPENSES OF PROPOSED PROGRAM

(Budget Form #1)

<u>Program Expenses:</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Breakdown</u>
PERSONAL SERVICES:	<u>\$ 64,000</u>	
Salaries/wages		<u>\$64,000</u>
Employee benefits		<u>\$</u>
Other: _____		<u>\$</u>
CONTRACTUAL SERVICES:	<u>\$ 24,750</u>	
Reproduction/copying		<u>\$ 250</u>
Equipment rental		<u>\$2,500</u>
Data processing		<u>\$ 2,000</u>
Dues/subscriptions		<u>\$ 1,000</u>
Contractual services		<u>\$ 16,000</u>
Professional fees & services		<u>\$ 3,000</u>
Other: _____		<u>\$</u>
OTHER SERVICES:	<u>\$ 6,300</u>	
Volunteer services		<u>\$ 350</u>
Communications/postage		<u>\$ 1,450</u>
Printing		<u>\$</u>
Advertising/promotion		<u>\$ 2,000</u>
Electricity		<u>\$</u>
Heating		<u>\$</u>
Travel/transportation		<u>\$ 2,500</u>
Other: _____		<u>\$</u>
COMMODITIES:	<u>\$ 3,250</u>	
Clothing		<u>\$ 750</u>
Office supplies		<u>\$ 250</u>
Building maintenance		<u>\$ 750</u>
Operating supplies		<u>\$ 1500</u>
Parts & supplies - equipment		<u>\$</u>
OTHER CHARGES/EXPENSES:	<u>\$ 16,500</u>	
Insurance		<u>\$ 8,500</u>
Contingencies		<u>\$ 2,500</u>
Training		<u>\$ 1,000</u>
Rent		<u>\$ 1,000</u>
Capital equipment		<u>\$ 3,000</u>
Office equipment		<u>\$ 500</u>
Other expenses: _____		<u>\$</u>
TOTAL COST FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROGRAM:	<u>\$ 114,800</u>	

ORGANIZATION NAME: _____

FUNDING SOURCES FOR PROPOSED PROGRAM
(Budget Form #2)

This program budget covers the period of Oct 15, 2018 to Dec 31, 2019

<u>SOURCES OF PROGRAM FUNDING</u>	<u>GOAL AMOUNT</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>COMMITTED (Y/N)</u>
Parent Organization	\$ 18,500	16.1	Y
Gifts and Contributions	\$ 8,500	7.3	Y
Membership Dues	\$ 1,000	.9	Y
Fees & charges to participants	\$ 16,000	14	Y
Private sector grants (specify source and date of award)			
<u>Rasmuson Foundation</u>	\$ 5,000	4.4	N in progress
<u>Alaska Community Foundation</u>	\$ 5,000	4.4	N in progress
<u>AARP Alaska</u>	\$ 5,300	4.6	Y
Fundraisers (specify major fundraising events/programs)			
<u>Winter Film Festival</u>	\$ 3,000	2.6	Y
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
_____	\$ _____	_____	_____
Subtotal of Financial Support for this program:	\$ 62,300	54.3	
Supplemental Funding Requested from City of Valdez:	\$ 52,500	45.7	
<u>TOTAL FUNDING FOR OPERATION OF THIS PROGRAM:</u>	\$ 114,800	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: Alaska Avalanche Information Center, Inc.

SCOPE OF SERVICES

Timeline OUTCOMES for 2019 (What do you plan to accomplish in 2019 - be specific)

The goal with the 2019 project is to continue supporting weather data collection and publication, education programs, snow forecasting services, and on call emergency search and rescue. Specifically, we will purchase required insurance, partially fund our executive director, provide one full-time, seasonal staff member and one part-time assistant to provide consistent, reliable weather and snow forecasting, and education services for the Valdez community and surrounding area.

The important duty of tracking climate data for the city will continue to help our community with predicting flooding, avalanches and the need for snow removal.

For the past ten years AAIC has been providing education and safety services for Valdez based international events including Tailgate Alaska and Mountain Man Hill Climb. In addition, we have partnered with the Valdez Parks and Rec to provide the annual spring Beacons and Eggs training program at Salmonberry Ski Hill. During this period, Valdez has seen attendance for these events continue to grow, further validating the interest, support and need for these community programs.

Our objective with this project is to continue these programs, provide additional support for expansion of these programs, add additional opportunities to our list of available services including education outreach, and improve our Online presence for integration with state and national forecast databases and websites.

We believe that maintaining a forecast center in Valdez with paid staff who can be depended on to provide factual, nationally recognized snow stability forecast and education services and climate data will help to support our community in positive ways that result in continuing to attract visitors and increase mountain recreational programs and opportunities for our community and state. The AAIC is dedicated to promoting healthy lifestyles, reducing injuries and saving lives from backcountry travel and avalanche related incidents.

The AAIC is the only company or organization currently operating in Valdez providing these services.

Attach additional pages if necessary

Definition: Outcome - End product or result accomplished.

Balance sheet and profit and loss as of 6/30/2018

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Alaska Avalanche Information Center Balance Sheet As of June 30, 2018

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
001 - AAIC Main	54,452.22
007 - PayPal Account	590.27
Total Checking/Savings	55,042.49
Total Current Assets	55,042.49
TOTAL ASSETS	55,042.49
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Credit Cards	
51000 - Credit Accounts	
51100 - AAIC Main 0040	138.95
Total 51000 - Credit Accounts	138.95
Total Credit Cards	138.95
Other Current Liabilities	
201 - Accrued Payroll	4,748.57
24000 - Payroll Liabilities	-165.51
Total Other Current Liabilities	4,583.06
Total Current Liabilities	4,722.01
Total Liabilities	4,722.01
Equity	
30000 - Opening Balance Equity	4,157.57
32000 - Retained Earnings	37,528.44
Net Income	8,634.47
Total Equity	50,320.48
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	55,042.49

Valdez Avalanche Center 2017-18

The Valdez Avalanche Center issued 139 advisories from October through April 2018. The full-time and three part-time forecasters worked with three observers to collect and analyze field data.

Over the winter, Thompson Pass received 423" of recorded snow with 41" SWE. Valdez received 133" snow with 31" SWE. These values are within the twenty-year average.

Memorable weather events were an extended storm cycle in December and three long, dry, windy periods. December 2-20, two back to back storms that dumped 103" of snow with 14" of SWE. After that, three wind events, exceeding 60 mph for durations of several hours or more, occurred while high pressure ridges dominated our region.

The common peak of our user season, mid-March to Mid April, was almost void of new snow but the website still received 500 visits per day. An average of 300 people viewed the forecast each day throughout the season, with more than 45,000 views total.

For the second year, from March 15 - April 15, VAC staff manned a temporary information kiosk near Thompson Pass offering three times weekly educational courses and daily forecasting information. Education programs served more than 1,000 students. There were several close calls but zero fatalities.

Sharing avalanche information since 2008, the Valdez Avalanche Center advisory continues to serve diverse groups of local, regional and international backcountry users with a broad spectrum of interests and experience. VAC membership has grown to 140 individuals, businesses, and community partners supporting the forecast and education programs.

This is the fifth year the City of Valdez allotted funding through the Community Service Organization program to support the Valdez Avalanche Center operations. Private sector businesses and individual member donations have enabled the program to grow from a solely volunteer effort, to paying qualified, trained forecasters and observers for their hard work.



Weather Observations, Photo Kevin Salys



Sculpted pencil-hard surface conditions near Thompson Pass, AK after two weeks of dry windy conditions. March 2018. Photo: Ryan Van Luit



Avalanche Level 1 – Prince William Sound Community College. Photo: Sarah Carter