

Statewide Public Library Construction Projects Status Updates / FY2013 State Assistance Funding Requests

	Community	Project Type	Project Status	State Funding Request	State Funding Received	
State Funding Secured	✓ Cordova	New Library	Construction began September 2009. Completion anticipated Fall 2012.	\$2M	FY2011	\$13.3M
	✓ Kenai	Expansion	Grand Opening held July 9, 2011.	\$1.5M	FY2011	
	✓ Seward	New Facility	Construction began September 2011. Completion anticipated Fall 2012	\$4.7M	FY2011	
	✓ Petersburg	New Facility	Completing Design Phase. Anticipate Spring 2012 construction start.	\$3.25M	FY2011	
	✓ Barrow	Expansion	Construction Began June 2010. Completion anticipated Winter 2012.	\$350K	FY2011	
	✓ Sutton	New Facility	Construction Began July 2011. Completion anticipated Fall 2012.	\$1.5M	FY2011	

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State Funding Secured	✓ Soldotna	Expansion	Advancing to next level of design. Anticipate Spring 2012 construction start.	\$3.4M	FY2012	\$16.967M
	✓ Ketchikan	New Facility	Construction began Fall 2011. Completion anticipated Winter 2012.	\$6M	FY2012	
	✓ Skagway	Expansion	Advancing to design. Anticipate late Summer 2012 construction start.	\$667K	FY2012	
	✓ Kodiak	New Facility	Advancing to next level design. Anticipate Spring 2012 construction start.	\$6.9M	FY2012	

Community * (listed in order of DCCED ranking)	Project Type	Site Ownership	Space Program	Design Concept Study	Legislative Priority	Cost Estimate	Local Funding	State Funding Request	Timing For State Funding	
Fairbanks/ North Pole	New Facility	Yes-Borough	18,625 SF	Yes	Yes	\$13.6M	Portion of \$10M Trust + Grants + Local Fundraising	\$6.8M	FY2013	\$22.4M
Talkeetna	New Facility	Yes-Borough	7,840 SF	Yes	Yes	\$5.6M	Borough Funding + Grants + Local Fundraising	\$2.8M	FY2013	
Juneau, Mendenhall Valley	New Facility	Yes-Borough	20,600 SF	Yes	Yes	\$14M	Borough Revenue + Endowment & FOL Funds + Grants + Local Fundraising	\$7M	FY2013	
Sitka	New Facility	Yes-City/Borough	14,000 SF	In Progress	Yes	\$11.4M	G.O. Bond + Grants + Local Fundraising	\$5.7M	FY2013	

The Following Public Libraries Are In Early Stages Of Planning. Further Information Will Be Provided As These Projects Evolve.

Anchor Point – New Facility • Coffman Cove – New Facility • Craig – Expansion • Nome – New Facility • Palmer – Expansion • Thorne Bay – New Facility • Togiak – New Facility • Wasilla – New Facility

SUPPORTING INFORMATION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF STATEWIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS FY2013 STATUS UPDATES/STATE ASSISTANCE FUNDING REQUESTS

This matrix represents the collaborative initiative of statewide library directors, community leadership, Friends of the Library organizations and volunteer steering committees leading new construction or renovation of public libraries in their communities. The intent of this effort is to continue to provide a comprehensive statewide view of all known public library construction or renovation projects highlighting each project's current status toward meeting today's commonly accepted criteria for applications to funders for capital funding.

Senate Bill 119 (Chapter 55 SLA 08) was signed into law on June 4, 2008. Section 2 of the bill (AS 14.56.355) established the Public Library Construction and Major Expansion Grant Program. Many Communities have completed grant applications - to secure funding from this program. A focus group that included library directors, and representatives from Alaska Library Association, AkLA, The Foraker Group, state administration, and construction professionals worked with DCCED to align this grant program to better serve communities seeking state funds in FY2013 and farther into the future. Current goals are to:

- To achieve the adoption of new language to align the grant regulations and grant solicitation processes to better serve Alaska's public libraries
- Determine the best long-term opportunity for state funding of library construction projects
- Achieve the intent of the legislation enacted and to support public library construction funding as a recurring line item of the state budget

A ranking and criteria process was developed to confirm library projects:

- Meet a documented need
- Are consistent with strategic/community plans
- Have explored funding opportunities with collaborators
- Have appropriate facility and site plans and realistic project budgets that are financially sustainable
- Will not negatively impact the sustainability of the proposing organization
- Have a fully developed and vetted business plan
- Identify timing of need for state funding critical for each community's ability to leverage additional capital funding from agencies and private funders agencies
- Identify local matching funds as required



This information formed the basis for building the consensus among communities and AkLA that Fairbanks North Star Borough, City and Borough of Juneau, Mat-Su Borough and City and Borough of Sitka apply and receive state funding for FY2013 to advance their community library projects.

The following links are offered for your reference: [AS Statute Reference; AS 14.56.355.356](#) enacted into law September 2, 2008. [Enacted Regulations Library Construction and Major Expansion Matching Grant Program](#) Alaska Library Association, Michael Robinson, President, afmcr@uaa.alaska.edu Multiple Library Projects have received the support of The Foraker Group Pre-Development Program. To learn more about this program visit: <http://www.forakergroup.org/index.cfm/Shared-Services/Pre-Development> or contact: Chris Kowalczewski at ckowalczewski@forakergroup.org or 907-743-1200.