

GAMBELL LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2012-2017



Top Priority Community Development Projects

1. Housing & Renewable Energy
2. Public Safety
3. Health Care
4. Transportation
5. Waste Management
6. Multi-purpose Building
7. Education
8. Economy
9. Processing Plant
10. Cultural Center
11. Storage & Workshop Facility

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Joint Entities Resolution

Native Village of Gambell
City of Gambell
Sivuqaq, Inc.

JOINT RESOLUTION # _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE NATIVE VILLAGE OF GAMBELL ADOPTING THE 2012-2017 LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN (LEDP) PRIORITIES APPLICABLE FROM _____ (*starting date*) to _____ (*expiration date*)

WHEREAS, the Native Village of Gambell IRA Council is the federally recognized governing body of the tribal members of Gambell, Alaska; and,

WHEREAS, the purpose of the Native Village of Gambell IRA Council is to serve the people, community, and businesses of the tribe by promoting economic opportunities that improve the economic, social, and environmental quality of life; and,

WHEREAS, the Native Village of Gambell IRA Council is responsible for the planning and implementation of economic development activities for the tribe in Gambell; and,

WHEREAS, the Native Village of Gambell IRA Council is responsible for the development and implementation of a community economic development strategy to guide the economic growth of the village in order to help increase local employment opportunities, foster a more stable and diversified economy, and improve the quality of life for residents, while maintaining the cultural heritage of the community; and,

WHEREAS, the Local Economic Development Plan provides the factual data support necessary to qualify for assistance in funding local projects; and,

WHEREAS, the Native Village of Gambell IRA Council in a Joint Meeting with the City of Gambell and Sivuqaq, Inc., with assistance from Kawerak Community Planning and Development Program staff, has updated its five-year Local Economic Development Plan that states the community's values, goals, objectives, and strategy necessary for guiding future growth and economic development of the village; and,

WHEREAS, the 2012-2017 economic development priorities (11) listed in this Local Economic Development Plan were developed, reviewed, and approved by the community during a joint public meeting held on February 16th, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, we ask all public, private, and non-profit entities serving our community to recognize and use this plan; and,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Native Village of Gambell IRA Council approves and adopts the five-year Gambell Local Economic Development Plan 2012-2017 and priorities for the tribe in Gambell, applicable between July 1st, 2012 and June 30th, 2017.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the (11) economic development priorities listed below for the Native Village of Gambell as reviewed, updated, re-prioritized, and approved on February 16th, 2012 are:

1. Housing & Renewable Energy
2. Public Safety
3. Health Care
4. Transportation
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CERTIFICATION: I certify that the foregoing resolution was adopted at a convened meeting of the Native Village of Gambell IRA Council on _____ 2012 at which a quorum was present, by a vote of _____ for and _____ against, and _____ abstaining.

President, Native Village of Gambell

Date

Secretary

Date

Mayor, City of Gambell

Date

Secretary

Date

President, Sivuqaq, Inc.

Date

Secretary

Date

1.0 Introduction and Purpose of the 2012 – 2017 Local Economic Development Plan

Gambell is located on the northwest cape of St. Lawrence Island, 200 miles southwest of Nome, in the Bering Sea. The city is 36 miles from the Chukotka Peninsula, Siberia. It lies at approximately 63.779720 North Latitude and -171.741110 west longitude. (Sec. 03, T020S, R067W, Kateel River Meridian.) Gambell is located in the Cape Nome Recording District. The area encompasses 10.9 sq. miles of land and 19.5 sq. miles of water.

St. Lawrence Island has been inhabited intermittently for the past 2,000 years by Yup'ik Eskimos. In the 18th and 19th centuries, over 4,000 people inhabited the island in 35 villages. Sivuqaq is the Yup'ik name for the village and for the island. The city was renamed for Mr. and Mrs. Vene C. Gambell, missionaries to the town. A tragic famine between 1878 and 1880 decimated the population. In 1900, reindeer were introduced to the island for local use, and in 1903 President Roosevelt established a reindeer reservation. During the 1930s, some residents moved to Savoonga to establish a permanent settlement there. The city was incorporated in 1963. When the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA) was passed in 1971, Gambell and Savoonga decided not to participate and instead opted for title to the 1.136 million acres of land in the former St. Lawrence Island Reserve. The island is jointly owned by Savoonga and Gambell.

The isolation of Gambell has helped to maintain their traditional St. Lawrence Yup'ik culture, their language, and their subsistence lifestyle, which is based on marine mammals. Residents are almost completely bilingual. Walrus-hide boats are still used to hunt. The sale, importation, and possession of alcohol is banned in the village.

The economy in Gambell is largely based upon subsistence harvests from the sea -- seal, walrus, fish, and bowhead and gray whales. Fox are trapped as a secondary source of cash income. Some reindeer roam free on the island, but most harvesting occurs out of Savoonga. Ivory carving is a popular source of income. The abundant number of seabird colonies provides an opportunity for limited tourism by bird-watchers.

The LEDP is a critical step in the on-going development of the tribe and its efforts to improve community conditions and the well being of its members. It is structured to:

- Provide the community with a complete inventory of existing demographics, races, social conditions and services, economic conditions and activities, public services provided, and public and private facilities;
- Equip the community with the basic informational tools of local planning that accurately show land status and ownership as well as traditional resources and subsistence areas;
- Provide implementation strategies for development priorities; including land use, public facilities and services, capital improvements, economic development and community governance;
- Place emphasis on the crucial development issues; economic and resource development, land use planning and needs of the community with regards to infrastructure, and priority capital improvement projects;

- Involve key decision makers to assist in the identification of common goals and direction to achieve those goals.

2.0 Planning Process and Public Involvement

2.1 Planning History and Accomplishments in Gambell

The Kawerak Community Planning and Development Program (CPD) worked with the Community of Gambell in developing its Local Economic Development Plan (LEPD). LEPDs analyze local conditions, identify problems and opportunities, and develop goals, strategies and outcomes to address community issues, on-going development, and future development. The Gambell IRA Council and the City of Gambell regularly updated the priorities of the community and the Tribe. Below are some of the major accomplishments toward these goals since 2005.

Energy – Wind turbine installation

Communications – Cell phones

Government – More individuals taking action on key roles

Transportation – Road project

2.2 Planning Committee & Staff Description

Realizing that changes within the community and some current public service facilities are not adequate to achieve program parity, the City of Gambell, the Gambell IRA Council and Sivuqaq, Inc. held public joint meetings to discuss and analyze how current infrastructure affects residents of Gambell. The conclusion was to update the top priorities and update the Local Economic Development Plan for the community. With assistance from Kawerak’s Community Planning and Development Program staff, public planning workshops were held and a draft was written and presented to the public and joint councils for review. The plan with the approved priorities, was adopted and



Iyaaka (Anders Apassingok) and Conrad Ozeva, Planning Meeting Participants

approved on October 13, 2012.

2.3 Method for Plan Development and Components

The planning organizations in Gambell sought a strategic planning process based upon:

- Technology of Participation methods developed by *the Institute of Culture Affairs*
- Denali Commission, United States Department of Agriculture, Rural Development
- Alaska Humanities Forum *Community Strategic Plan Guide and Form*

These methods are proven effective in encouraging full participation from diverse groups and are best applied within community-based settings. This process was implemented among the participant's by first brainstorming ideas individually, then sharing ideas through small group discussions, and finishing with review among all participants confirming new resolves and decisions. The following foundational values or ground rules were applied during planning sessions:

- Participation: each person brings a different insight, perspective and knowledge that formulates the larger picture
- Respect: respect and honor each person's views and ideas, empower each other
- Teamwork: each person works with everyone else in their role to accomplish the goals of the community
- Creativity: giving permission for the dialogue between the rational (mind) and intuitive (heart) perspectives, keep our eyes open, new ways of thinking
- Action: moving economic development towards local responsibility and accountability

The planning process was made up of three parts. Each component helped provide a comprehensive planning approach.

- LEDP Vision, Values and Goals - Developed the direction for the community's social and economic development with an overall vision, guiding community values, and development goals.
- Implementation Strategies - Created planning steps that the community can take in the coming 5 years to begin the



Ivers Campbell and Melvin Apassingok, Planning Meeting Participants

- actions and movement toward the vision and development goals.
- Funding and Land Use - Identified potential funding and community investments to implement development goals. Identified potential sites for selection of projects requiring land.
- Recommended application of community values during implementation of development activities.

It is expected that the Local Economic Development Planning document should include:

- Community profile and assessment data
- Community vision, value statement, and goals
- Updated community priorities for community and economic development
- Top priority implementation strategies for guidance in community development projects

2.4 Comprehensive Development Status

As a second-class city in the unorganized borough, the city of Gambell has optional powers under the state law for planning, platting, and land use regulation within municipal boundaries. The City of Gambell has assumed some of these powers. As the Federally-recognized governing body of the Tribal members of Gambell, Alaska, the Native Village of Gambell IRA Council shares some of these responsibilities and powers.

A Community and Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), a regional economic development plan, was updated for the Bering Strait Region communities in 2009 by the Bering Straits Development Council. The next full update is scheduled for 2015. This document can be found at: <http://www.kawerak.org/servicedivisions/csd/cpd/index.html>

Gambell has published an LEDP in September of 2003. Many of the priority projects in it turned into successful development projects that were completed.

The approved 2012-2017 priorities are:

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3.0 Community Descriptions

3.1 Location

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(Sec. 03, T020S, R067W, Kateel River Meridian.) Gambell is located in the Cape Nome Recording District. The area encompasses 10.9 sq. miles of land and 19.5 sq. miles of water. Gambell has a maritime climate with continental influences in the winter. Wind and fog are common, and precipitation occurs 300 days per year. Average annual precipitation is 15 inches, with 80 inches of snowfall. The Bering Sea freezes during mid-November, with break-up at the end of May. Average summer temperatures are 34 to 48 °F; average winter temperatures are -2 to 10 °F. Extremes from -30 to 65 °F have been recorded.

3.2 History and Culture

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3.3 Government, Corporations, and Service Providers

3.3.1 Gambell IRA Council

Native Village of Gambell

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Native Village of Gambell IRA Council-2012

President: Eddie Ungott	Member: Melvin Apossingok
Vice President: Iver Campbell	Member: Shauna Congi
Secretary: Jane Walunga	Member: Bruce Bodowon
Treasurer: Michael Semps	Elder Advisor: Anders Apossingok

The council reorganizes itself by nominating and voting on President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer each year.

Other Native Village of Gambell Staff - 2012

General Manager: Clinton Booshu
IRA Bookkeeper: Linda Tungian/Preston Apangalook
Tribal Family Coordinator: Tyler Campbell
Pull Tab Manager/Monitor: Leonard Apangalook, Jr.
Pull Tab Monitor: Joel James
Tribal Enrollment: Angela Morris
ICWQ: Tyler Campbell
General Assistance Program: Orlin Booshu

3.3.2 City of Gambell

The City of Gambell was incorporated as a second-class city within the unorganized borough in 1963. City owned/operated services include BINGO, Firehall, Police Station, and Road Maintenance. The city levies a 3% sales tax.

General Municipal Information:

Year of Incorporation:	1963
Manager or "Strong Mayor" Form of Government:	Mayor
Regular Election Held:	1st Tuesday in October
Assembly/Council Meets:	Second Tuesday
Sales Tax:	3%
Property Tax:	None
Special Taxes:	None

Municipal Contact Information:

Address: City of Gambell
P.O. Box 189
Gambell, AK 99742

Phone and fax: 907-985-5112 ph
907-985-5927 fax

E-mail: Cityofgambell@yahoo.com

Gambell Planning Organizations

Native Village of Gambell
Sivuqaq, Inc.
City of Gambell

Elected/Appointed Officials:

Mayor (term as mayor ends): The Honorable Erika Apatiki (2012)

City Council (term ends): Deborah Apatiki (2013)
Troy Apatiki (2013)
Winfred James Sr. (2012)
Allen Slwooko, Mayor (2012)
Edgar Campbell, (2014)
Susie Booshu (2012)
Jordan James (2012)

BSSD Regional School Board: Albert Washington, President
Aurora Johnson
Melvin Otton
Jeanette Iya
Joe Murray
Zoe Ivanoff
Jane Kava
Aaron Iworrigan
Cliff Weyiouanna
Jenny Lee
Luther Komongseak

Municipal Employees:

Position:

Public Safety
Public Works
City Clerk
Fire Chief

Employee Name:

Chief Robert Apatiki
Jennifer Apatiki
Michael James
Troy Apatiki

State of Alaska Services & Facilities:

Alaska State Troopers
P.O. Box 1050, Nome, AK 99762
1-800-443-2835 or 907-624-3073
<http://www.dps.state.ak.us/ast/>

Alaska State Department of Fish and Game 907-443-5167
Alaska State Department of Transportation and Public Facilities
907-451-2295, <http://www.dot.state.ak.us/>

US Government

Post Office 907-985-5213
BLM 907-271-5960
National Weather Service 907-271-5088/1-800-472-0391
Federal Aviation Administration 907-271-3771
Search and Rescue-U.S. Coast Guard
1-800-478-5555
<http://www.uscg.mil/D17/>

3.3.3 Sivuqaq, Inc.

The village corporation is Sivuqaq, Inc. The for-profit corporation owns St. Lawrence Island jointly with Savoonga, the Corporation Lodge, multiple teachers' quarters, S-Lodge, and multiple houses.

Short term goals: Create jobs

Long term goals: Sell gravel; complete road projects; develop bird-watching & tourism business; develop mining

Gambell Native Corporation Board - 2012

President: Paul Apangalook
VP: Rodney Ungwiluk, Jr.
Treasurer: Virgil Soonegrook
Secretary: Edmond Apassingok

Members: Mary K. Gacek
Geraldine Slwooko
Elder Advisor: Clement Ungott

3.3.4 Regional Corporations

Gambell is served by several regional corporations, which are located in Nome or Anchorage.

- Regional non-profit: Kawerak, Inc.
- Regional for-profit: Bering Straits Native Corporation
- Regional CDQ organization: Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation
- Regional Health Corporation: Norton Sound Health Corporation
- Housing Authority: Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority
- Energy cooperative: Alaska Village Energy Cooperative (AVEC)

Local and Regional Government Contacts

<p>Native Village of Gambell P.O. Box 90 Gambell, AK 99742 Phone: 907-985-5535/5346 Fax: 907-985-5014 General Manager: Clinton Booshu</p>	<p>Kawerak, Incorporated P.O. Box 948, Nome, AK 99762 907-443-5231, Fax: 907-443-4452 E-Mail: webmaster@kawerak.org http://www.kawerak.org Head Start 907-985-5758 ICWA Phone – 907-985-5346 ICWA Fax – 907-985-5014</p>
<p>City of Gambell P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742 907-985-5112, Fax: 907-985-5927 E-mail cityofgambell@yahoo.com Sewer Plant 907-985-5521 City Clerk 907-985-5221 Police (VPSO) 907-985-5333 VPO 907-985-5008 Volunteer Fire Department 907-985-5112</p>	<p>Norton Sound Health Corporation P.O. Box 966, Nome, AK 99762 907-443-3311, Fax: 907-443-3139 http://nortonsoundhealth.org/ Bessie A. Kaningok Health Clinic Gambell, AK 99659 Phone: 907-985-5012 Tribal Travel - 907-985-3311 Village Based Counseling - 907-923-2428</p>
<p>Sivuqaq, Inc. P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742 Office 907-985-5826 Fax: 907-985-5426</p>	<p>Bering Straits Native Corp. and Bering Strait Development Corp. P.O. Box 1008, Nome, AK 99762 907-443-5252, Fax: 907-443-2985 http://www.beringstraits.com/</p>
<p>Alaska Village Energy Cooperative 4831 Eagle St. Anchorage, Alaska, 99503 (907) 561-1818</p>	<p>Bering Straits Regional Housing Auth. P.O. Box 995 Nome, AK 99762 907-443-5256, Fax: 907-443-8652</p>
<p>Bering Straits School District P.O. Box 225, Unalakleet, AK 99684 907-624-3611 http://www.bssd.org Grade School Phone: 907-985-5229 High School Phone: 907-985-5515 High School Fax: 907-985-5435 P.O. Box 169, Gambell, AK 99742</p>	<p>Norton Sound Economic Dev. Corp. 420 L Street, Suite 310 Anchorage, AK 99501 1-800-650-2248 or 907-274-2248 Fax: 907-274-2249 http://www.nsedc.com</p>

3.3.5 Other Product or Service Providers

GCI (School Only) - Internet P.O. Box 274, Nome, AK 99762 1-800-800-4800 residential 1-800-800-7754 business http://www.gci.net	AT&T Alascom United Utilities, Inc. 505 East Bluff Drive Anchorage, AK 99501-1100 1-800-252-7266 http://www.attalasc.com/
Frontier Cable Inc. 1-800-921-8101	US Post Office 907-985-5213 Fax 907-985-5260
Alaska Village Electric Cooperative (AVEC) 4831 Eagle St. Anchorage, Alaska 99503 907-561-1818	Arctic Transportation Services P.O. Box 790, Nome, AK 99762 907-443-5482 http://ats.texrus.com/index.jsp
Bering Air P.O. Box 1650, Nome, AK 99762 1-800-478-5422 http://www.beringair.com/	Crowley Marine Services, Inc. P.O. Box 700, Nome, AK 99762 907-443-2484 http://www.crowley.com/fuel-sales-distribution/Nome.asp
Grant Aviation 888-359-4726	Hageland Aviation P.O. Box 1490 Nome, Alaska 99762 907-443-7595 907-443-7456 Pilot House
Ryan Air PO Box 127 Unalakleet, AK 99684 (907) 624-3200 (907) 624-3326 (fax)	Era Alaska 1-800-478-5125 (Nome) Anchorage Administrative Offices 4700 Old International Airport Rd. Anchorage, AK 99502 907-266-4422 Fax: 907-266-8348
University of Alaska Fairbanks – Northwest Campus, Pouch 400, Nome, AK 99762 907-443-8400 http://www.nwc.uaf.edu/	Northland Services Marine Transportation 21 West 2 nd St., Nome, AK 99762 907-443-5738 Postal Address: PO Box 24527 Seattle, WA 98124 http://northlandservicesinc.com/Default.aspx
KICY AM-850 and 100.3 FM 408 West D Street P.O. Box 820 Nome, AK 99762 Phone Toll-Free: 1-800-478-5429 Phone: 907-443-2213 Fax: 907-443-2344 http://www.kicy.org/	KNOM Radio Mission AM-780 and 96.1 FM PO Box 988 Nome, AK 99762 (907) 443-5221 (800) 478-5666 http://www.knom.org/index.html

3.4 Community Infrastructure

3.4.1 Housing

Gambell's housing is inadequate for its needs. The Alaska Housing Assessment defines overcrowding as less than 300 square feet per person in a home. Many multi-generational extended families living in homes make overcrowding common in Gambell.

Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority (BSRHA) provides low-income housing in Gambell. BSRHA has 18 applications on file for housing in Gambell. There are six applications on file for two bedroom housing, nine for three bedroom housing, and three for four bedroom housing. BSRHA owns 33 homes in Gambell. All are occupied except the one that is being renovated.

The Village Purchase Homebuyer Program leases new housing on a lease-to-own basis over a 20-year period. Purchase cost is based on a sliding fee scale depending on a buyer's income. Eligibility is dependent on credit and criminal background checks.

People with a history of being evicted or convicted have difficulty finding housing. Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority (BSRHA) does credit and criminal background checks on everyone who applies to the Village Purchase Homebuyer Program. People with certain convictions can be disqualified for life or for years, depending on the offense. These regulations are in accordance with the Federal Housing Act and enforced by HUD. In some cases, people who seek and complete rehabilitation through Behavioral Health Services can be granted special consideration. But it does not guarantee that the Housing Authority can relax its regulations.

Locals need to be consulted about how to build structures efficiently and safely on St. Lawrence Island. Gambell homes need doors on the west side to avoid prevailing winds that pile up snow and trap people inside. For some new homes, the only escape route is through the window directly over the furnace.

Some houses only have 4" walls. Energy-efficient insulation and heated flooring would be beneficial. Elevated construction helps prevent snow from piling up on buildings because the wind blows it under. But older homes that were built directly on the ground are warmer, even with 4" walls, because the winds do not blow underneath and freeze the flooring.

Homes recently built by BRSHA have heaters that run on diesel and have battery-powered backup systems for increased safety. Residents want to incorporate natural gas, propane, wind, and solar power into individual homes and campsites to eliminate or reduce dependence on costly fossil fuels.

Constraints to new housing development include material & labor costs, limited land availability, and the short building season. Gambell IRA gets money from HUD for housing projects. Money is pooled with other villages for mutual benefit. But the waiting list for projects can take as long as ten years to go through a rotation. Gambell wants a full-time grant writer to explore and apply for alternative funding possibilities.

The following housing data, unless otherwise noted, is from the 2010 U.S. Census, and based on a total population of 681.

Housing Characteristics:

Total Housing Units:	200
Occupied Housing (Households):	164
Vacant Housing:	36
Vacant Due to Seasonal Use:	17
Owner-Occupied Housing:	137
Renter-Occupied Housing:	27
Avg. Household Size:	4.15
Family Households:	123
Avg. Household Size:	4.15
Non-Family Households:	41
Pop. Living in Households:	681

3.4.2 Schools

The Bering Strait School District operates schools in 15 villages in the Bering Strait region. The regional student population is 99% Alaska Native, and the student/teacher ratio is 10.3. In 2010 the expense per student annually was \$25,869.

In 2011, Gambell’s school had 17 teachers and 201 students enrolled in P – 12 in one building. Gambell School, home of the King Polar Bears, was completed in 1995. The school hosts locally recognized experts who work with the students on traditional carving, language classes, and Eskimo dancing.

School athletic activities include cross country, wrestling, cheerleading, basketball, skiing, and



John Apangalook Memorial High School and Hugo T. Apatiki Elementary School



Gambell HeadStart

Native Youth Olympics (NYO). Other facilities for the children of Gambell are the school library and playground. There is a regulation-size gymnasium for physical education, athletic events and community activities.

There is a Head Start program serving children age three to five. The program is located in the Head Start building and has a current enrollment capacity of 20. Gambell Head Start's top priority is to obtain a vehicle for school business because right now faculty is using a personal 4-wheeler.

There is no school bus for Gambell students. Many students walk to school. Sometimes vehicles will not start in the cold temperatures. Attendance is a challenge. Gambell's Native Corporation, Sivuqaq, gives a cash reward to students for good attendance. The \$50 quarterly award has helped increase attendance. A school bus for students is part of Gambell's Top Priority # 4 in the 2012-2017 Local Economic Development Plan (LEDP).

Sivuqaq provides college students with a one-time \$1500 scholarship and a \$350 scholarship every semester. University of Alaska Fairbanks and other UA courses are available online to Gambell residents. The public has internet access at the school, but it is slow and disconnects frequently.

School District

District Name:	Bering Straits Schools
Operated By:	REAA
Total Number of Schools (FY2011):	15
Total Number of Teachers (FY2011):	179
Total Number of Students (FY2011):	1,868
Student/Teacher Ratio (FY 2011):	10.3
Dropout Rate (7-12 Grade) (FY 2011):	10.50%
Percent Native Students (FY2011):	99.00%
Geographic Cost Differential (FY 2010):	1.821
Expenditures Per ADM (FY 2010):	\$25,869

3.4.3 Water and Sewer

Water is derived from wells and Troutman Lake and is treated and stored in three storage tanks. 116 homes are now connected to the piped water and sewer system. A new water source is needed to ensure no shortages will occur with population and economic growth. The schools and washeteria have individual water wells and septic tank systems. Thirty-seven homes in the original town-site still haul water from the washeteria and dump their honey-buckets at the landfill. A master plan is underway to connect the remaining homes, which is dependent upon funding.

The water plant's filtration system is currently being upgraded. The entire plant needs an overhaul. Some of the valves no longer work. The last complete upgrade was in the 1990s. A \$1 million water tank was installed two years ago. Most of the military equipment that was stored on the mountain top has been removed. There is still concern over pollution from the remaining materials seeping into the water supply when the permafrost melts.



Gambell's water & sewer plant

Water Distribution, Source & Treatment Systems:

Water System Operator: City
 Washeteria Operator: City
 Piped Water System: yes
 Central Watering Point (Haul): Yes
 Multiple Watering Points: No
 Water Truck (Delivery): Yes
 Individual Wells: No
 Community Well Source: Yes
 Surface Water Source: Yes
 DEC Water Permit Number: 340751
 Water Is Filtered: Yes
 Water Is Chlorinated: Yes

Sewage Collection Systems:

Sewer System Operator: City
 Piped Sewer System: Yes
 Honeybucket Haul: Yes
 Honeybucket Pits: No
 Individual Septic Tanks: No
 Community Septic Tank: Yes
 Sewage Pumper: Yes
 Sewage Lagoon: No
 Sewage Lift Station: Yes
 Outhouses: No

3.4.4 Landfill

The landfill is not permitted. Individuals haul their refuse to the site ½ mile northwest of town to dump it. It is not managed and has passed its full capacity. There is no burn-box. Trash overflows and blows into town. The City wants to develop a new site. A feasibility study was completed and is awaiting funds to continue development.

Refuse/Landfill System

Refuse Collector: Not available; individuals
 Landfill Operator: City
 DEC Landfill Permit: No
 Type of Landfill: Class 3

Top Landfill Priorities

- Establish a new landfill site.
- Recycling facility
- Garbage haul

3.4.5 Electricity

AVEC produces Gambell's electricity with a diesel generator and three wind-turbines. AVEC owns the facilities. Fred Kaningok and Roy Alonga operate them.

Electric Utility Name:	AVEC
Utility Operator:	REA Co-op
Power Source:	Diesel
FY 2010 Rate:	50.8 cents
Power Cost Equalization (PCE) Subsidy:	Yes
FY 2010 Total kWh Generated:	1, 883,095 kWh
FY 2010 Power Cost Equalization (PCE) Rate:	29.36 cents/kWh (For consumption up to 500 kWh monthly)
FY 2010 Average Effective Residential Rate:	21.43 cents/kWh

The most current PCE report can be found at www.akenergyauthority.org

3.4.6 Fuel

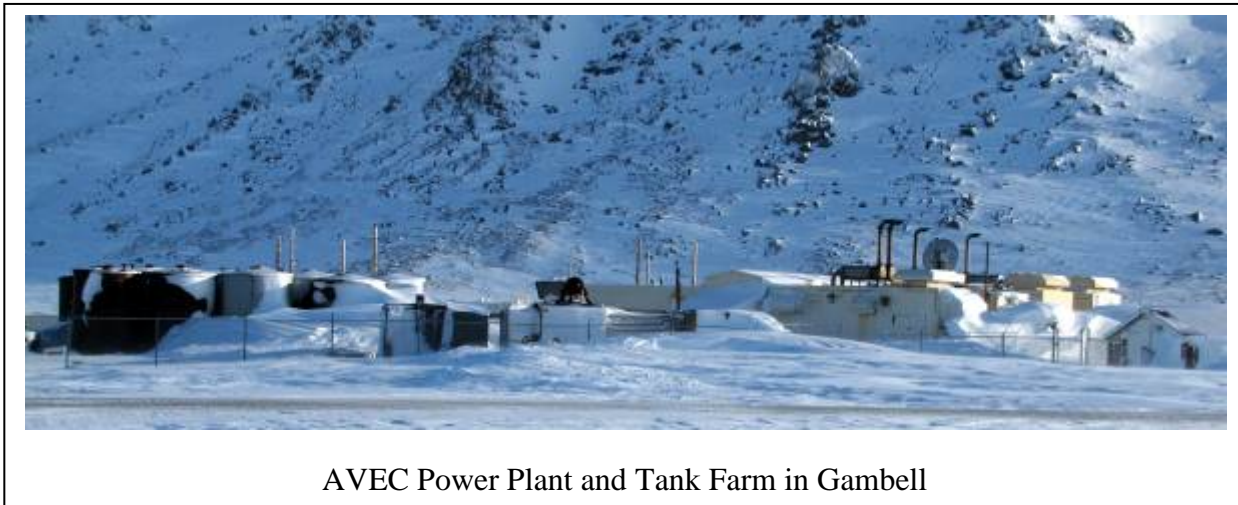
In 2011, diesel fuel cost \$6.95 per gallon in Gambell. Gas cost \$7.02. Conditions can be too rough for barges to deliver fuel to Gambell. The community has plans to build a safe landing area to guarantee shipments will not be delayed.



Gambell's Windfarm

Fuel Tanks Currently in Use

OWNER	CAPACITY (in gallons)
Bering Straits Schools	97,800
AVEC	142,700
ANICA Native Store	332,400
City	55,300
Army National Guard	10,400
7 th Day Adventist Church	2,300
Presbyterian Church	2,700



AVEC Power Plant and Tank Farm in Gambell

3.4.7 Existing Transportation Systems

The Gambell IRA Council analyzed their future transportation goals and prioritized which projects would benefit the community. A prioritized list of long term transportation road projects is listed below:

1. Construct proposed community streets within the City of Gambell with the appropriate surface material and dust control additive.
2. Construct proposed subsistence and economic routes.
3. Construction and upgrades to marine facilities such as boat landings, harbors, ports, barge landings, and breakwater structures.
4. Provide route staking and navigational upgrades to inventory routes to improve safety during winter travel, prevent disorientation, and aid in rescue operations.
5. Construct shelter cabins at the end of the evacuation route.

Development and upgrades to Gambell's road system will subsequently increase cultural heritage, improve sustainable economic opportunities, increase employment and self-sufficiency, and encourage collaboration of efforts in various projects and programs. Overall, the goal is to improve the cultural, economic, and social well-being of the community.



Gambell's runway

The subsistence lifestyle causes residents to travel outside the city to seek the resources they need. The areas important for subsistence needs can be many miles from the town itself. The traditional routes were used historically and are still needed today for hunting and gathering. Constructing these routes will allow the community of Gambell to continue their subsistence lifestyle. These roads will provide access to hunting and fishing locations, as well

as traditional berry-picking and resource gathering areas. Providing the tribe with access to these destinations allows them to preserve their cultural way of life and increase their economic prosperity. All of the proposed growth and improvement projects that the Gambell IRA Council envisions for their future are in some way connected to transportation. Constructing road systems will benefit the village by improving the cultural, economic, and social well-being of the community.

Understanding the enormous role that resources, in particular subsistence, play in the lifestyle and culture of Alaskan Natives clearly makes the need for improved transportation a necessity. If the tribe's traditional routes are not constructed, then economic and future opportunities that benefit the whole community are lost. In Alaska, the State's perspective on subsistence refers to the practice of taking fish, wildlife or other natural resources for one's sustenance; either for food, shelter, or other personal or family needs. In reality, in the Native culture subsistence is much more than that; it is part of who the Native Alaskans are; one does not exist without the other.

Marine facilities and navigational improvements are also unique transportation needs within rural Alaska. Due to the limited road system, aircraft and boats are transportation vessels that are common in this region. Barges carry annual supplies, construction material for most village projects, and fuel to each village. In the summer boats provide transportation to neighboring villages, lightering services, and access to subsistence resources. Improving and constructing marine facilities such as docks, boat harbors, ports, barge landings, and breakwater structures is an important part of transportation in the villages.

Navigational improvements such as navigational beacons and personal locator beacons (PLBs) will increase safety during both winter and summer travel. Some villages have voiced the need for devices such as these to aid in rescues and provide location markers. Beacons placed in

towers or shelters bordering the coast can provide direction when travelers become disorientated or lost during whiteout conditions. PLB programs can be established at community hubs that would rent out individual PLB units and require users to file a travel plan. If a traveler is then lost or stranded the PLB could be activated and assist rescue teams with the traveler's location. These improvements to the unique transportation needs in Alaska provide opportunities and increases public safety.



Skin-boat frames are stored on racks.

Winter transportation on St. Lawrence Island primarily consists of snow-machine travel over packed snow. This supports the mobility needs of village residents by providing the following: access to hunting and subsistence areas; a major transportation link between villages that enables people to visit relatives, friends, attend social gatherings, and transport goods. However, these routes often traverse through treacherous landscapes that offer little or no points of reference during bad weather. Ideally all of the roads would be constructed that would be used throughout the year. However, it will take time to achieve this goal and village residents expressed the need for routes to be temporally marked until permanent roads can be constructed at engineered locations. Villages identified tripod spacing requirements to be between 100 to 500 feet depending on the location. Gambell is not accessible by any road system and is isolated from any community hubs. Aircraft is the only mode of transportation to Gambell that can be used throughout the year. Boats provide access in the summer and winter travel is possible with snow-machines. The community has a system of roads within its own town-site. Roadways could be constructed to provide a connection to Savoonga and lead to cabins, seasonal camps, and subsistence areas. The majority of the roadways within the city limits were constructed by the Gambell IRA Council. Like other communities in the Bering Straits Region, Gambell is surrounded by unimproved routes used for subsistence, economic, recreational and cultural purposes.

Roadway widths are reported to be between 14 and 20 feet, providing minimal widths for two-lane traffic. The existing unimproved subsistence routes vary in width, but have an average travel way width of 10-feet.



Beautifully hand-crafted footwear made in Gambell

A major issue regarding road upgrades, specifically within the city limits, is dust control. Safety and health concerns for residents and pedestrians of all ages have increased due to the excessive dust from the roadways. The village would like to see a dust suppressant incorporated into any upgrade design within the community.

Roadway drainage is accomplished through culverts that have no roadside ditches for conveying surface

runoff away from the roadways. Although the nature of the problem is not determined, there are erosion problems related to wash-outs on the roads along Troutman Lake. The segment of South Airport Road that runs along the south side of Troutman Lake and connects with Evacuation Road is particularly vulnerable to the uncontrolled runoff from the bluffs, and is in a severe state of degeneration.

It is recommended that drainage for proposed subsistence routes be sustained by culverts and ditches placed at definite locations to maintain positive drainage throughout the community. Gambell's main traffic activity is associated with trips to the school, airport, city office, Native Store, boat landing area, church, clinic, post office, National Guard Armory, and the dump. There is also berry picking and hunting areas near town which generate traffic along Evacuation Road and local upland routes. Trip generators outside of the city limits would include travel on newly constructed routes to neighboring Savoonga and subsistence and economic routes scattered around the community which are used throughout the year.

The City of Gambell assumed responsibility for road maintenance within its municipal boundaries. The Alaska Department of Transportation and Public Facilities (ADOT&PF) maintains the roadways that lead to the airport. The Gambell IRA Council as a public authority will maintain any proposed roads that are constructed under the IRR program.

3.4.8 Communications

United Utilities, Inc. provides in-state telephone service. AT&T Alascom and United Utilities, Inc. provide long distance service. About 100% of Gambell's residents have cell phones through GCI. GCI's "Lifeline" service provides basic local phone for under \$10 a month. Better service with long-distance costs up to \$100 per month.

GCI provides Internet service in the village. Public access to the internet is available

through the school's connection. About half the homes have access to the Internet. But the school uses most of the bandwidth. Home access is slow and disconnects frequently.

Community notices are posted in public places. CB is also used for communication.



Gambell's US Post Office branch is managed by Susie Booshu and Susanne Apassingok. The phone # is 907-985-5213. Hours are 9 am to 6 pm, Monday through Friday and Saturday from 3 pm to 5 pm.

Communications:

In-State Phone: United Utilities, Inc.
Long-Distance: AT&T Alascom; United Utilities, Inc.
Internet Service: GCI (www.gci.net)
TV Stations: ARCS
Radio Stations: KICY-AM; KNOM-AM
Cable Provider: Frontier Cable, Inc.
Teleconferencing: Alaska Teleconferencing Network
Postal Mail: United State Post Office
Deliveries: Era hand-delivers packages.

3.4.9 Health Care

Gambell is classified as an isolated village. It is found in EMS Region 5A in the Norton Sound Region. The community clinic and health aid provide health care in the village. Emergency services have coastal and air access.



Top Clinic Priorities

- Visitor housing
- 10,000 sq ft minimum clinic
- Snow-machine & Honda with storage & maintenance
- Oxygen generator & certified operator

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• Clinic/Hospital in
4 Community: Bessie A. Kaningok Health Clinic (Gambell)

• Clinic/Hospital
1 Phone Number: 907-985-5012
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Operator: Norton Sound Health Corporation - (907 443-3311)
M www.nortonsoundhealth.org

u Owner: City
n

i Facility Status: Community Health Aid Program CHAP site

c Alternate Health
i Care: Visiting PAs, Dentists, Optometrists, Audiologists
p

a The clinic is a qualified Emergency Care Center.

l Health Emergency Services have coastal and air access.

Comments: Emergency service is provided by a health aide

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3.4.10 Municipal Buildings and Municipal Heavy Equipment

- The Municipal building
- Qerngughvik (community building):
Bingo hall, community gatherings
i.e. dances, potlucks, etc.
- Fire Hall Safety building: fire
equipment storage facility
- Bessie Kaningok Health Clinic
- Washeteria/Water Plant facility:
Laundromat and water storage
facility
- Library: Currently there is no
librarian and the building is used by
the Native Village of Gambell/IRA
for their GED program and DOD
NALEMP projects.
- Garage/Hanger for heavy equipment
storage, currently used by the NVG's
DOD project.
- Loader
- Excavator
- Fork-lift

Top City Priorities

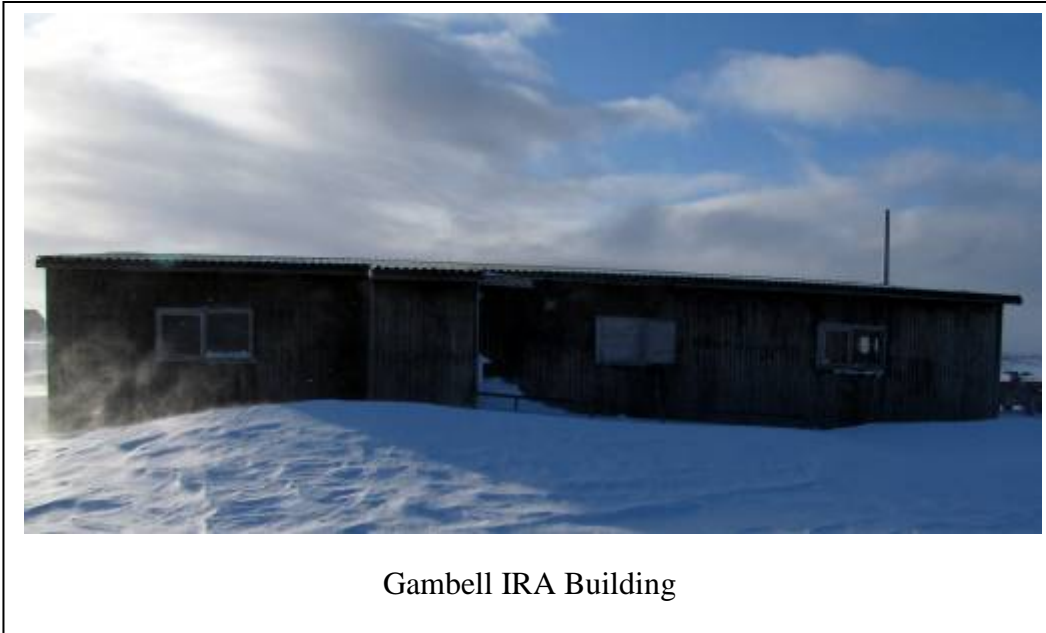
- Acquire water truck for
dust control
- Acquire new excavator
- City Hall renovation
- Placement of streetlights
- Relocation of Landfill
- Qerngughvik



Gambell's City Office Building

3.4.11 Tribal Buildings

- Community center used for Bingo gaming activities
- A building slated for teen center activities needs renovation
- Gambell Native Store (ANICA member)
- Native Village of Gambell leases Armory building from AK National Guard for office space



3.4.12 Public Safety

Gambell's Fire Department, Police Department, and Search & Rescue operate out of the same Public Safety Building.

The Fire Department is operated by volunteers. Troy Apatiki, the Chief, is responsible for all actions of the volunteers while on duty, fire-ground & workplace safety, equipment maintenance, equipment use, volunteer training, and reports. Fire protection is a municipal service. Gambell employs Village Police Officer (VPO), Eric Booshu, and Chief of Police, Robert Apatiki, to maintain the peace. The VPO's wages are paid with local funds. The mayor is the chief law enforcement officer. Ultimate responsibility for maintaining the peace remains with the mayor.

Top Public Safety Priorities

- Renovate Safety Building.
- Get citation papers so laws can be regulated.
- Get new fire equipment like hose and generator

3.4.13 Libraries and Museums, Cultural Buildings, and Social Events and Programs

Community members gather for traditional Native dancing on Saturday nights. The Village Library and the Teen Center are not currently operative.



3.4.14 Cemeteries and Graves

Gambell's cemetery is on the mountain top. The site used to be for polar-bear and whale-related death. Others were buried in the mountainside.

3.4.15 Public buildings, lands, churches, parks, camps, and recreational areas

- All land, water, and beach areas of St. Lawrence Island are important for hunting and harvesting the plants and animals that grow there.
- Presbyterian Church, 907-985-5432
- Seventh-Day Adventist Church, 907-985-5628

4.0 Population and Growth Trends

4.1 Gambell Census Data

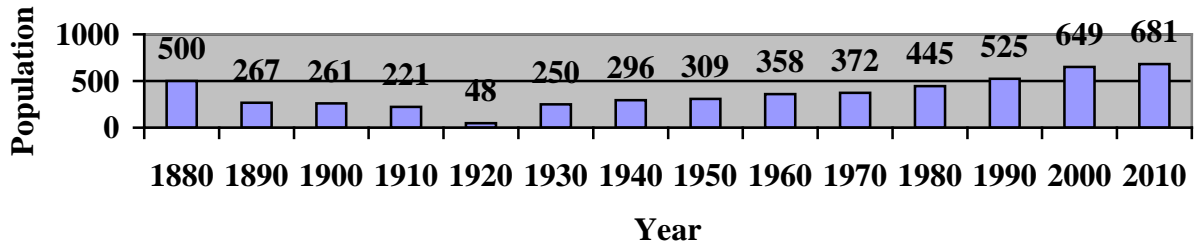
The following population data is from the 2010 U.S. Census, unless otherwise stated. Additional detail is available from the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Census and Geographic Information Network and the U.S. Census Bureau's American Fact Finder.

Population by Race:

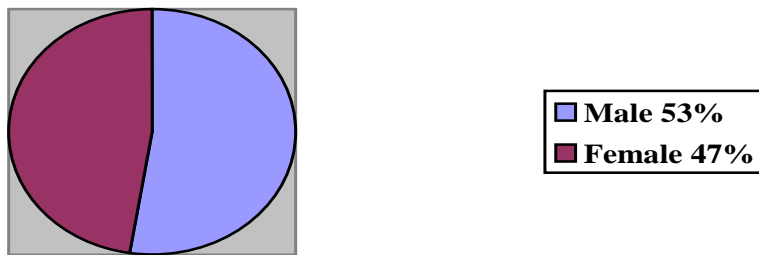
Population in 2011:	677
White:	26 (3.8%)
Alaska Native or Amer. Indian:	651 (95.6%)
Black:	0
Asian:	1 (0.2%)
Hawaiian Native:	0
Other Race:	0
Two or More Races:	3 (0.4%)
Percent Native*:	96.0%

(*Percent reporting Alaska Native alone or in combination with one or more races)

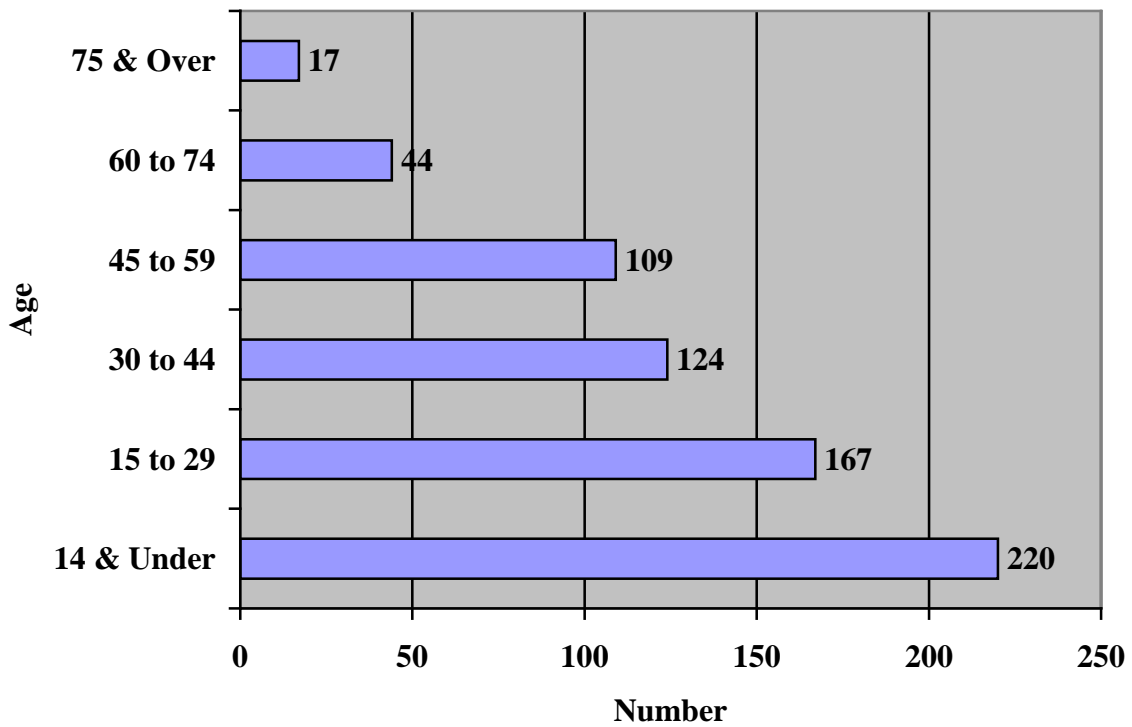
Census History



Population by Gender



Population by Age



4.2 Employment and the Economy

The economy in Gambell is largely based upon subsistence harvests from the sea that include seal, walrus, fish and whales (bowhead and gray). Supplemented income by part-time wage earnings is provided through the city, school, clinic, and store. Historically in the 1960's (although not common today), foxes were trapped as a secondary source of cash income. Some reindeer roam free on the island, but most harvesting occurs out of Savoonga. The abundant number of sea and land bird colonies provides an opportunity for tourism by bird-watchers, particularly during the spring and fall migrations. The sale or importation of alcohol is banned in the village.

Residents maintain a subsistence lifestyle. Important staple foods include whale, walrus, polar bear, clam, crab, a variety of birds, salmon, and other fish. Eggs and berries are also gathered and seal oil is used for storing greens, roots, and meat as well as being a nutritional staple in the Native diet.

Many residents sell artwork crafted from the subsistence resources. Ivory tusks and teeth are used by the local artists who carve the ivory into figurines, sculptures, tools, and jewelry. Seal, bear and fox skins are used to make hats, mittens, parkas and slippers.

The 2006-2010 American Community Survey (ACS) estimated 183¹ residents as employed. The public sector employed 19.7%¹ of all workers. The



Carved walrus tusks

local unemployment rate was 28.5%¹. The percentage of workers not in labor force was 41.6%¹. The ACS surveys established that average median household income (in 2010 inflation-adjusted dollars) was \$23,958 (MOE +/- \$12,098)¹. The per capita income (in 2010 inflation-adjusted dollars) was \$11,022 (MOE +/- \$2,432)¹. About 42.4%¹ of all residents had incomes below the poverty level.

¹ All ACS statistics are published with their respective margin of error (MOE). Some of the statistics here are calculated from the original ACS data. The MOE was unable to be carried through the calculations.

The following Income and Employment data is from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2005-2009 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Additional detail is available through the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development pages.

		Estimate	Percent
Population 16 years and over		438	
In Labor Force		256	58.4%
	Civilian Labor Force	256	58.4%
	Employed	71.5%	183
	Unemployed	28.5%	73
	Military Employment:	0	0.0%
Not in Labor Force		182	41.6%

Employed Workers:

Private Wage & Salary Workers:	121	66.1%
Government Workers (City, Borough, State, Federal):	36	19.7%
Self-Employed Workers (in own not incorporated business):	0	0.0%
Unpaid Family Workers:	78	42.6%

Income:

Per Capita Income:	\$11,022
Median Household Income:	\$23,958
Median Family Income:	\$33,750

Poverty:

Persons in Poverty:	260
Percent Below Poverty:	42.4%

Business Licenses in Gambell

The following records reflect current business licenses on file with the Department of Community and Economic Development, Division of Occupational Licensing, Business Licensing Section. These licenses may not represent actual business activity. For more information on a specific business, use Commerce's Business License Search website.

License Number	Business Name
922062	G & E Enterprises
298114	Gambell Airport Maintenance
292267	Gambell Native Store
905152	Sivuqaq Lodge
15543	Yupik Translation Project



Gambell Native Store (ANICA)

Community Capital Projects in Gambell, AK

The following table was acquired from Alaska Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development's Capital Projects Database showing funding, status, and lead agency of capital projects relating to infrastructure, public facilities, and publicly owned equipment where costs totaled \$10,000 or more.

For more information on a specific project, contact the [Lead Agency](#).

Agency	Year	Status	Description	Stage	Cost	Schedule	Contractor
BIA	2009	Funded	Construct Gambell Community Streets (Reconstruction)	Construction	\$6,747,361	6-1-11 - 9-30-11	Kawerak, Inc.
BIA	2009	Funded	Construct Gambell Community Streets (Reconstruction)	Construction	\$1,000,000	6-1-10 - 9-30-11	Kawerak, Inc.
DEC/VSW	2010	Funded	Water Storage System and Sewer System Improvements - Comments: Design and construction of a water storage tank and water and sewer system improvements.	Preliminary	\$35,628	Beg Date: 7/1/09, End Date: 6/30/14	City of Gambell
ANTHC	2010	Funded	Design and construct water treatment plant pressure filters in Gambell, Alaska.	Preliminary	\$204,594		Participant Managed
ANTHC	2009	Funded	Upgrade water treatment plant in Gambell, Alaska.	Preliminary	\$928,125		Participant Managed
DEC/VSW	2009	Funded	Design and Construction of Water and Sewer Facilities	Preliminary	\$1,203,918	Appropriation Date 7/1/08, Lapse Date 6/30/13	
DEC/VSW	2009	Funded	Upgrade water treatment plant.	Preliminary	\$928,125		

ANTHC	2008	Funded	Water and sewer service to two homes in Gambell, Alaska.	Preliminary	\$120,000		Participant Managed
DEC/VSW	2008	Funded	Water and sewer service to two homes.	Preliminary	\$120,000		
HUD	2009	Funded	Indian Housing Block Grant - Comments: NAHASDA administration, operating & construction funds	Contract	\$393,866		Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority
DCRA	2009	Funded	Front End Loader - Comments: Legislative Grant	Contract	\$290,300	Appropriation Date 4/13/08, Lapse Date 6/30/13	City of Gambell
HUD	2008	Funded	Indian Housing Block Grant - Comments: NAHASDA administration, operating & construction funds	Design	\$352,030		Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority
DOT&PF	2010	Funded	Evacuation Road Repairs and Extension - Comments: Repair and extend evacuation road	Construction	\$7,198,000	2010	N/A
Denali	2010	Funded	Gambell Community Streets - Comments: Construct 6.4 miles of new roads within the community of Gambell and treat with dust palliative Gambell Community Streets	Construction Complete	\$8,747,361		Kawerak, Inc.
DCRA	2009	Funded	Fire Hall Water Tank and Sewer Hook-up - Comments: Legislative Grant	Construction	\$60,000	Appropriation Date 4/13/08, Lapse Date 6/30/13	City of Gambell
HUD	2007	Funded	Indian Housing Block Grant - Comments: NAHASDA administration, operating &	Construction	\$409,925		Bering Straits Regional Housing

construction funds					Authority	
Denali	2009	Funded	Power Plant Completion - Comments: The project will complete an eight-module, diesel-fuel-fired electric power plant to serve residents in Gambell, Alaska. Six of the modules are new, two are reused. Three of the eight modules will each contain a diesel engine generator set; the three generator sets combined have a total installed nameplate generation capacity of 1,526 kilowatts.	Project Close-out Complete	\$102,622	Alaska Village Electric Cooperative
DOT&PF	2008	Funded	Evacuation Road Repairs and Extension - Comments: Legislative Grant	Completed	\$4,800,000	

5.0 Environmental Scan

5.1 Soils and Topography

Gambell is at the tip of the large peninsula on the north side of the Island. The terrain is comprised of flat tundra with numerous small lakes and a few large saltwater lagoons. The community is located on a gravel spit composed of loose, well-rounded, medium coarse granular sand and gravel. Some coarse organic soils are found in low areas to the east and west of the village. Discontinuous permafrost underlies most areas of Gambell at depths of 4 to 7 feet.

5.2 Vegetation

Tundra of Gambell consists of:

- Forbs
- Grasses
- Sedges
- Moss
- lichen

Local residents harvest a variety plants from the land including roots, rose, greens, leaves, willow leaves, and fireweed.

5.3 Climate

Gambell has a cool, moist maritime climate with some continental characteristics in winter, when much of the Bering Sea freezes. Winds and fog are common and precipitation occurs 300 days per year, primarily as very light rain, mist, or snow. Winter temperatures average between 10° and -10° Fahrenheit, with an extreme low of -30° Fahrenheit. Summer temperatures average between 48° and 34° Fahrenheit, with a record high of 65° Fahrenheit.

5.4 Wildlife

There are over 150 bird species that migrate through Gambell. Animals of St. Lawrence Island include Polar Bear, seal, whale, and walrus.

5.5 Historic Preservation

There are entries in the National Park Service National Register of Historic Places. Three ancient settlements exist just outside of town. To the west is the Seklowagh archaeological site. To the east are the Levogiyog and Miyowagh archaeological sites. It is not presently known whether these sites will impose any restrictions on future development projects. Given the rich history of the area, recognition and communication of Gambell's history might serve to augment tourism.

5.6 Seismic, Flood, and Wetland Information

Gambell is subject to flooding from the Bering Sea, caused primarily by wind-driven waves. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers identified much of the older developed area to be within the 100-year flood hazard area and rates hazard potential as average. The isthmus (a narrow strip of land that borders water on both sides) between Troutman Lake and the sea has been breached by severe storms in the past. St. Lawrence Island lies in a seismic risk zone of three, which means Gambell is subject to earthquakes/tsunamis. Erosion occurs along the west beach.

During flooding events residents must evacuate to higher ground. There were several evacuations from high seas in the past decades, both in winter and in summer, when strong south and southwest winds occur. During these evacuations residents set up tents on higher ground to wait out the storm. There have also been evacuations during the AVEC tank farm fires and during “A” bomb testing between the USA and Russia (USSR at the time).

Alaska's wetlands occupy 43.3 % of its 403,247,700 acres. This contrasts to the contiguous US where they occupy only 5.2 % of the land surface. Wetlands in Alaska include: bogs, fens, wet and moist tundra, ponds, forests, mud flats, fresh and salt marshes. Most regions in Alaska have a land surface with extensive areas of wetlands. Expanses of moist and wet tundra underlain by permafrost occur in the northern and western regions. Some of the Nation's most extensive complexes of salt marshes and mud flats occur along the coasts of the Bering Sea.

**Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (ANCSA)
Land Status**

ANCSA Land Entitlement:

Village Corporation:	Sivuqaq, Incorporated
12(a) Land Entitlement:	0 acres (see note 1)
12(b) Land Entitlement:	0 acres (see note 2)
Other Land Entitlements:	1,135,843.0 acres 19(b) to Gambell & Savoonga; Former Reserve

14(c)(3) Land Status:

14(c)(3) Status:	Not Required (see note 3)
14(c)(3) Comments:	No 14(c) obligation; lands jointly held with Savoonga; surface and subsurface rights to former St. Lawrence Island reserve lands.
14(c)(3) Agreement Signed:	N/A
Map of Boundaries done:	N/A
Date Plat Filed:	
Plat Number:	
Recording District:	
Municipal Land Trust:	No
Appropriate Village Entity:	n/a (see note 4)

Notes:

1. ANCSA 12(a) land entitlement to village corporation from federal government.
2. ANCSA 12(b) land reallocated to village corporation from Regional Native Corporation.
3. Under ANCSA 14(c)(3), village corporations must reconvey certain land to the local city government or the state in trust to provide for community use and expansion.
4. Recognized village group which represents the views of residents on municipal trust land acquisition and management in accordance with AS 44.33.755(b) and 3 AAC 190.110 - 150.

5.8 Designated Land Status and Management Issues

Military equipment that was stored on the mountaintop has mostly been removed. There is still concern over residual pollution seeping into the water source when the permafrost melts.

5.9 Land Use Potential

There are existing lands within the community with potential for development. Land management issues are dealt with on a case by case basis.

6.0 Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT)

6.1 Development Opportunities, Trends, and Strengths

What are opportunities, current trends in Gambell, and community strengths and assets that will help us as we plan and complete projects in our community?

Potential opportunities (from outside) for development

- Grants available
- Higher education available

Strengths or local assets (from inside) for development

- Employment working to prevent erosion
- Good education
- Transportation improvements
- Unity
- Resources
- Organizations
- Able Leadership

6.2 Development Barriers, Threats, and Areas of Concern

What are development barriers, hazards, or areas of concern that we need to consider as we begin development projects?

Potential threats (from outside) to future development

- Too much outside influence
- Limited funding availability
- Erosion

Areas of concern (weaknesses) within the community

- Limited health care equipment, facility, and staff
- Projects not completed
- Limited self-government
- Limited facilities for guests and meetings
- No lobbyist
- Limited housing
- No all ages multi-purpose community center
- Limited office space for entities
- Limited transportation to and from Island
- Limited local access higher education
- No grant writer
- Limited traditional education in local school
- St. Lawrence Island Ivory Carving business closed.
- Drug & alcohol trade impacts community negatively.

7.0 Gambell's Vision, Goals, and Values

7.1 Gambell's Vision Statement

“We envision Gambell, as a community, to be by 2017:

- Able to employ a large number of local people
- Have locals trained & certified as union members qualified for any & all jobs in community
- High school graduates motivated to pursue higher education
- Able to address our own health issues
- Progressive
- Able to live our lives out here as capable as the outside world
- Developing our economic growth
- Self-governing
- Better facilities & accommodations for visitors with conference rooms
- Solid infrastructure
- Healthy bi-cultural & bi-lingual community with restoration of traditional customs & language that are applied to contemporary times”

7.2 Gambell's Development Goals and Areas of Focus

Goal 1: Have Economy Meet Needs of Growing Population

Areas of focus:

- Stronger Economy
- Mining Coal/Diamond/Gold
- Mining Mineral Research
- More Resource Development
- Recreation
- Harbor Staging Area
- New Clean Water Source
- Better Energy Efficiency for lighting, fuel, etc.
- New Workshop Buildings in Community
- Restaurants
- Sufficient Water Storage Tanks
- Apartments
- Tourism

Goal 2: Have Community Services/Affair Meet Needs of People

Areas of focus:

- Satisfactory Waste Management
- Better Transportation
- More Roads
- Recycling Facility and Transport
- Storage Facility Buildings
- More Frequent Freight
- More Frequent, Dependable, and Affordable Fuel Delivery
- Sufficient Water Storage Tanks

Goal 3: Have Infrastructure Meet Needs of Community

Areas of focus:

- More Housing
- Cultural Museum Buildings
- Emergency Shelters, Buildings for our Community
- Renovate First Housing.
- Establish Recreation Center.
- Establish Multi-Purpose Building.
- Renovate City Office Q-Building (new floor).
- Upgrade Public Safety
- Meat Processing Plant
- Renovate Privately Owned Homes
- Emergency Supplies Equipment
- Apartments
- State of the Art Elders Buildings
- Tannery
- Solar Panels
- Wind Turbines

Goal 4: Have Social Services Meet Needs of Community

Areas of focus:

- Continuing Education
- School Facilities to Teach Language & Culture
- School Bus
- More Law Enforcement
- More Educational Opportunities
- Social & Local Government
- Cultural & Traditional Gathering
- Better Health Care
- Traditional & Cultural Preservation
- Wellness & Safety Programs & Social Gathering
- More Powerful Boats for Towing in Whales
- Small Engine for Every Home
- Heavy Equipment Sufficiently Powerful to Pull Out Whales Caught
- Woodstove in Every Home

7.3 Gambell Community Values and Development

7.3.1 Gambell Values

What are the values we, as a community, feel are important to our way of life?

Subsistence Lifestyle

- Subsistence
- Elders' Knowledge & Wisdom
- Language
- Generosity
- Family
- Land
- The Sea & Environment
- Traditional Sharing of Subsistence Activities
- Food Preparation & Storage
- Closeness of Family & Community People
- Food Sources

Unity

- Generosity
- Closeness of Family, Community, & People
- Unity in Time of Emergencies

Traditional & Western Education

- To Pass on Our Tradition, Culture, and Modern Ways to Our Children and their Children, etc.
- I like it (Gambell) because it's my hometown & remote.
- All the Accomplishments that were made by our fore-fathers.
- Keep up with our traditional, modern, and Cultural Ways.
- Independent
- Language
- Subsistence
- Harvest
- Ivory & Sewing Arts

Spirituality

- Traditional Dancing & Get-Togethers Between the Two Villages
- Maintaining Our Ways
- Because It's My Hometown
- Traditional Hunting Ways
- Our Beliefs
- ATUQ
- Church

Leadership & Economy

- Develop Capacity of Local Governing Bodies & Facilitators.
- Develop Places for Gathering & Meeting.
- Develop a Multi-Purpose Building.
- Develop More Jobs for the Community.
- Develop Ways of Carrying Tradition into the Future.
- Develop Cultural Sites for the Community.
- Home Security as:
 - Working to Meet Needs Cooperatively
 - Food Sources
 - Some Traditions
 - Cooperation
 - Health Improvements
- Encourage the Community through Leadership.
- Organizations
- Homes & Utilities
- Stores
- Schools
- Education
- Consultants
- Church
- Foods
- Family
- Health Care
- Food Supplements
- Transportation

Respect for Elders

- Humility
- Sharing
- Helping Others
- Humanity
- Animals
- Life

Land

- Land Stewardship
- Camps & Camp Sites
- Land Ownership

7.3.2 Applying Values to Community Development

When we develop and plan important projects or programs, what are the things we must remember?

We should:

- Enhance/Stimulate:
 - Local Hire
 - Training
 - Personal Incentive
 - Incentive
 - Local Economy
 - Career Development
 - Integrity
- We must remember the impact (+ or -) on land, subsistence, and unity of the people.
- Consider long-term benefits for Community members.
- Weigh impact on public safety.
- Weigh impact on resources.
- Local Government
- Housing Needs
- Consider scope of work Plans for the Projects, Programs.
- “VALUES”
- Remember that leadership is representative of us.
- Provide a Good Big Carving Building for Our Carvers
- Proceed SOBERLY.

8.0 Development Priorities and Implementation

There were 11 priorities identified by the Gambell Planning Committee and approved by the City of Gambell, Sivuqaq, Inc., and the Native Village of Gambell in order to improve the economic development for the community. In order to provide a thorough understanding of each project, the following information is given for each priority:

Project Description
Background
Project Needs and Benefits
Potential Constraints to Project Development
Project Implementation
Plan of Action
Organizations Responsible and Contact Information
Funding Possibilities

Jointly Approved Top 11 Priorities for the Community of Gambell 2012 - 2017

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|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Housing & Renewable Energy | 7. Education |
| 2. Public Safety | 8. Economy |
| 3. Health Care | 9. Processing Plant |
| 4. Transportation | 10. Cultural Center |
| 5. Waste Management | 11. Storage & Workshop Facility |
| 6. Multi-purpose Building | |

8.1 PRIORITY # 1 – Housing & Renewable Energy

8.1.1 Project Description

Background

Gambell's housing is currently inadequate for its needs. The Alaska Housing Assessment defines overcrowding as less than 300 square feet per person in a home. Many multi-generational extended families living in homes make overcrowding common in Gambell. Medical practitioners often visit and need accommodations. Teachers require housing as well.

All Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority (BSRHA) rentals are low-income based. Rent varies from about \$100-\$200 per month depending on income. The renter eventually owns the home, but it might take as long as 35 years. BSRHA has 18 applications on file for housing in Gambell. There are six applications on file for two bedroom housing, nine for three bedroom housing, and three for four bedroom housing. BSRHA owns 33 homes in Gambell. All are occupied except the one that is being renovated.

Acquiring housing is challenging for middle-income people. They make too much money to qualify for low-cost housing programs. But they do not make enough money to purchase housing on their own.

Eligibility for the Village Purchase Homebuyer Program is also dependent on credit and criminal background checks. People with a history of being evicted or convicted have a hard time finding housing which adds to the pressure of the situation. People with certain convictions can be disqualified for life or for years depending on the offense. These regulations are in accordance with the Federal Housing Act and enforced by HUD. In some cases, people who seek and complete rehabilitation through Behavioral Health Services can be granted special consideration. But it does not guarantee that the Housing Authority can relax its regulations.

Project Needs and Benefits

Gambell needs more housing to decrease the problem of overcrowding.

Locals need to be consulted about how to build structures efficiently and safely on St. Lawrence Island. Gambell homes need doors on the west side to avoid prevailing winds that pile up snow and trap people inside. For some new homes, the only escape route is through the window directly over the furnace.

Simple housing design improvements would provide Gambell with significant benefits. Some houses only have 4" walls. More energy-efficient insulation and heated flooring would be beneficial. Elevated construction helps prevent snow from piling up on buildings up because the wind blows it under. But older homes that were built directly on the ground are warmer, even with 4" walls, because the winds do not blow underneath and freeze the flooring.

Homes recently built by BRSOA have heaters that run on diesel and have battery-powered backup systems for increased safety. Residents want to incorporate natural gas, propane, wind,

and solar power into individual homes and campsites to eliminate or reduce dependence on costly fossil fuels.

The rate of new home construction needs to increase in order to meet the needs of Gambell's growing population. If more housing units were available to the tribe, more families and elders would remain in the community and contribute to the culture.

There is a need for the education and preparation necessary to take advantage of existing programs for acquiring new housing.

Building new housing will:

- Alleviate over-crowding of households with multi-generational extended families. The Alaska Housing Assessment defines overcrowding as less than 300 square feet per person in a home.
- Projects will provide locals, especially youth, with on-the-job training (OJT).
- Generate jobs and income from the construction of new homes and the renovation of existing housing
- Small businesses might be started in some homes to create and supplement incomes.

Potential Constraints to Project Development

Constraints to new housing development include material & labor costs and the short building season.

Gambell IRA gets money from HUD for housing projects. Money is pooled with other villages for mutual benefit. But the waiting list for projects can take as long as ten years to go through a rotation. Gambell needs a full-time grant writer to explore and apply for alternative funding possibilities.

Funding for housing projects is decreasing while construction costs are rising. Material costs in the Bering Straits Region have increased an average of 10-15% every year over the last decade. Ten years ago residential construction cost about \$375 per square foot. Now the cost is \$500-\$550 per square foot and sometimes as high as \$600 per square foot.

Potential costs include: materials, shipping, liabilities, insurance, labor, management, plumbing, water, sewer, codes, roads, permitting, fuel, electricity, training, land-lot, turn-over, time-line, administrative, soil tests (up to \$5,000 per site for engineer to travel to Village), and surveys.

Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority (BSRHA) does credit and criminal background checks on everyone who applies to the Village Purchase Homebuyer Program. People with certain convictions can be disqualified for life or for years depending on the offense. These regulations are in accordance with the Federal Housing Act and enforced by HUD. In some cases, people who seek and complete rehabilitation through Behavioral Health Services can be granted special consideration. But it does not guarantee that the Housing Authority can relax its

regulations.

8.1.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

- Create a village planning committee consisting of five to seven key people from major entities in the Village (IRA, Corporation, City, School, Clinic, Utilities, etc.). Meet quarterly to discuss housing issues. The committee can arrange to have a representative from the Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority (BSRHA) present at each meeting to address the plan of action step-by-step as it develops.
- Conduct a local survey to determine the housing needs and number of units needed.
- Look into proven and affordable alternative methods and designs for construction and renovation.
- Incorporate traditional local input into planning and designing.
- Clearly define administrative duties.
- Develop a local skilled overseer/project manager.
- Contact BSRHA to arrange Housing Authority representation at village planning committee meetings.
- Outsource duties to outside administrator, if necessary while developing a local skilled overseer/manager.
- Hold joint meetings with the city, corporation, utilities, etc. to plan where to build.
- Select potential sites for the new homes and look into easement and environmental issues as well as access issues to utilities.
- Test soil to make sure it is not too soft.
- File paperwork with the City for making the new lots.
- Write management and maintenance policies for the potential rental units. Develop application forms and lease agreement forms.
- A grant-writer will establish & cultivate relationships with existing and potential project partners and secure funding & other forms of project assistance.
- Submit grant applications.
 - Kawerak's Regional Grant Specialist, (907-443-4254) may be able to assist in identifying possible funding sources.
- The Tribe can apply for the ICDBG grant or they can look into the leveraging options listed below:
 - Title VI options – The Tribe may borrow against future block grant allocations.
 - Partnering – There are USDA programs for low interest loans to build houses for eligible families.
 - Section 184 – There is a program where the Tribe can use a commercial bank to obtain funds for new housing.
- Get locals trained and certified for construction work. Provide as much on-the-job (OJT) training as possible.
- Clear & ready lots, build foundations, and get gravel.
- Continue to work with the Tribe, City, Corporation, and private owners to expand all housing opportunities in the community. Add to agenda for tri-council meetings.
- Continue to seek funding to assist community members in renovations.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. City of Gambell, P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742
3. Sivuqaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742
4. Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority, PO Box 995, Nome, AK 99762
5. Bureau of Land Management (BLM), 222 West Seventh Avenue, Anchorage, AK 99513-7504, <http://www.blm.gov/ak/st/en.html>

Funding Possibilities and Other Contact Information

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)

- Colleen Bickford, Alaska Field Office Director,
- Phone (907)-677-9830, (877)-302-9800, 907-677-9800, Cell (907)-223-1126
- Fax (907)-677-9805,
- Email: colleen_bickford@hud.gov
- Anchorage Field Office, 3000 C Street, Suite 401, Anchorage, AK 99503
- www.Hud.gov

Indian Community Development Block Grants (ICDBG)

- Wants to see matching funds
- Application may be available in October and will include due date.
- Maximum grant award: \$600,000
- Key Contact: Elaine Hammes, Grants Management Specialist, (907)-677-9884
- <http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/grants/icdbg.cfm>

Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority

- Vice President/Contracting Officer: Paul Whipple
- **Phone:** 443-5256 or 5257
- Fax (907) 443-8652
- Toll Free: 1-800-478-5255
- **Physical Address**
415 E. 3rd & Campbell
Nome, Alaska 99762
- **Mailing Address**
P.O. Box 995
Nome, Alaska 9976
- <http://bsrha.org/>

Rasmuson Foundation

- Tier 1 (\$25,000 or less), 60-90 day approval, Jeff Baird, Program Associate, 907-297-2831, jbaird@rasmuson.org or Aleesha Towns-Bain, Senior Program Associate, 907-297-2875, atowns-bain@rasmuson.org
- Tier 2 (over \$25,000), Approval by Board in June and December meetings annually, Sammye Pokryfki, Senior Program Officer, 907-297-2881, spokryfki@rasmuson.org
- <http://www.rasmuson.org/>

M. J. Murdock Trust

- No application deadline
- Average grant amounts \$100,000 - \$200,000
- Typically not interested in granting funds less than \$50,000
- <http://www.murdock-trust.org/>

Private Foundations and Local Donations

State of Alaska Legislature

- Request assistance for a capital project.
- Representative Neal Foster
- Senator Donald Olson
- w3.legis.state.ak.us/index.php

United States Legislature

- Request assistance for a capital project.
- Senator Mark Begich: <http://begich.senate.gov/public/>
- Senator Lisa Murkowski: <http://murkowski.senate.gov/public/>

United States House of Representatives

- Request assistance for a capital project.
- Representative Don Young: <http://donyoung.house.gov/>

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC)

- Teacher/senior/public safety housing programs, Mark Romick, Director of Planning, 907-330-8274
- Provides grants to Regional Housing Authority and Rural Cap for free (income-based) weatherization, etc.
- AHFC has other programs too.
- <http://www.ahfc.state.ak.us/home/index.cfm>

USDA Rural Development Housing and Community Facilities Program

- No grant application deadline
- Multiple programs
- Contact: James Nordland, State Director, 907-761-7707, james.nordlund@ak.usda.gov
- <http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>

USDA Rural Housing Preservation Grants

- Max award: \$50,000
- Application Deadline: June 25, 2012
- Contact: James Nordland, State Director, 907-761-7707, james.nordlund@ak.usda.gov
- http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/HAD-HPG_Grants.html

State Farm Company Grants Program

- Applications deadline for 2013 grants: May 31st, 2012

- Programs for government entities and 501(C)(3)
- Minimum Grant Amount: \$5,000
- Maximum Grant Amount: Based on community population
- Regional contact: Carolyn Fujioka, (808)-951-1160
- <http://www.statefarm.com/aboutus/community/grants/company/company.asp>

Housing Assistance Council

- Occasionally has grants
- Currently has loans for new construction and renovation projects up to \$750,000 for unit construction per project (Unit could mean a subdivision with multiple structures.)
- Primary Contact: Dierdra Pressley, (202)-842-8600 ext. 154, hac@ruralhome.org
<http://www.ruralhome.org/>

The Hearst Foundations

- No application deadline
- \$50,000 grant minimum
- The Foundation works with 501(C)(3)s that have at least \$1million budget
- Primary contact: Mr. Paul Dinovitz, (415)-908-4500, hearst.sf@hearstfdn.org
- <http://hearstfdn.org/>

American Seafoods Corporate Giving Program

- Grant deadlines: Approximately January 15, April 15, and November 15, annually
- Grant amounts: Usually under \$5,000
- Primary contact: Ms. Kimberly Lynch, (206)-256-2659
<http://www.americanseafoods.com/>

8.2 PRIORITY # 2 – Public Safety

8.2.1 Project Description

Background

Gambell seeks to improve the effectiveness of its police, fire department, emergency protocol in case of natural disaster, and the equipment used for all public safety programs.

Law enforcement response is limited by the equipment available. Officers use personal equipment for community needs and they work for low pay without fringe benefits, retirement plans, or insurance.

The National Guard presence in Gambell had a good emergency response system. In case of tsunami or other disaster, snow-machines and even ropes could be used to help people to safety on the mountain-top. There were shelters on the higher ground for emergency use. The National Guard presence in Gambell dissolved.

Currently, the community seeks shelter at the school in case of flooding. If flooding reaches the school, there is no way up the mountain to the safety of higher ground.

Project Needs and Benefits

Gambell's law enforcement needs equipment dedicated to its use. Officers need benefits that adequately compensate them for their service. Improvement in both these areas will increase public safety and increase incentive for working in this necessary field.

Gambell's emergency planning template needs to be completed. It will give all local entities a plan to follow and qualify Gambell for emergency funds for equipment through Homeland Security and FEMA.

Gambell needs emergency shelters and equipment on top of Sivuqaq Mountain where elevation is 600'. Roads need to be built to the camps. Snow-machines, rope, and other equipment is needed so the community can reach safety during emergencies such as flooding.

Potential Constraints to Project Development

- Time, expertise, and cooperation required to complete emergency template
- Resources for necessary emergency equipment, for emergency/police/fire training, and for compensating officers for their service

8.2.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

- Complete emergency template.
- Develop a list and research all of the new equipment and vehicle needs of the police, fire, and emergency response teams. Develop a resource list and prices including freight.
- Review policies and procedures that exist or need to be developed for the new equipment and facilities.
- Use Kawerak's Grant Writer Assistance program or hire a grant writer to apply for assistance to acquire all the equipment and training needed.
- Consult other villages to explore possible solutions.
- Use emergency funds from Homeland Security & FEMA and other sources to acquire emergency response equipment for all public safety needs.
- Use and maintain equipment for the benefit of the community.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. City of Gambell, P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742
3. Sivuaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742

Funding Possibilities and Other Contact Information

Department of Homeland Security – FEMA

<http://www.fema.gov/firegrants/>
1-866-274-0960

FireGrants@fema.dhs.gov

FireFighters Charitable Foundation

One West Street
Farmingdale, NY 11735
Phone: 516-249-0332
Fax: 516-249-0338
Email: ffcf@ffcf.org
Url: <http://www.ffcf.org/>

Toll-free number: 800-837-3473
Total Annual Giving: \$432,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations and
individuals

Application Deadlines: None

- supporting educational programs on fire safety and burn prevention;
- providing direct aid or funds for victims and families;
- offering assistance to volunteer fire departments in the form of direct financial aid and equipment donations; and,
- assisting other charitable organizations to pursue these causes.

Fireman's Fund Heritage Program

777 San Marin Drive
Novato, CA 94998
Phone: 866-440-8716
Email: heritage@ffic.com

Url:
<http://www.firemansfund.com/heritage/>
Application Deadlines: None

Federal Surplus Personal Property Donation Program - U. S. General Services Administration (GSA)

<http://gsaccess.gov>

The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation

505 5th Avenue South
Suite 900
Seattle, WA 98104
Phone: 206-342-2030
Fax: 206-342-3030
Email:
info@pgafamilyfoundation.org

Url:
<http://www.pgafamilyfoundation.org/>
Total Annual Giving: \$14,693,000
Application Deadlines: Inquiries:
none

8.3 PRIORITY # 3 – Health Care

8.3.1 Project Description

Background

Gambell is isolated from Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC), the region's main health care provider. When weather is bad, patients cannot get off the island for emergency help and help cannot be flown in. Prescriptions have to be shipped from Nome.

Gambell's health care practitioners work around the clock. Health Aides do not receive benefits. There is a lot of turnover because most clinic workers burn out and quit.

The clinic is old and small. It had a mold problem and was shut down for a couple weeks last year. The size of the clinic creates a challenge for health care providers to abide by the requirements for privacy established in the 2003 Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA), especially when multiple patients are waiting to be seen.

There is no ambulance. Privately owned 4-wheelers with trailers are used for patient transport.

Visiting practitioners are not frequent and do not stay long.

Blueprints for a new clinic in Gambell exist and were submitted to Denali Commission.

Project Needs and Benefits

- Mobile emergency clinic that can get around in winter conditions and provide adequate emergency response
- Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) to efficiently and safely operate the mobile emergency clinic
- Storage facilities to protect the mobile emergency clinic from the elements and from vandalism
- Resources, including a qualified mechanic, to maintain the mobile emergency clinic
- Benefits for practitioners working extreme hours in extreme conditions
- Bigger clinic - 10,000 square feet minimum – A new larger clinic will improve the ease of compliance with HIPAA laws.
- Oxygen generator and a qualified technician to operate it
- Housing for visiting practitioners – Optometrists, audiologists, dentists, and other practitioners visit.
- Long-term care facilities similar to Nome's Qu yana Care Center (QCC)
- Telemedicine – Satellite video imaging so Dr.s can see what's needed
- Safe holding for intoxicated people

Potential Constraints to Project Development

- Short building season
- Decreases in funding delay progress.

8.3.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

Mobile Emergency Clinic

- Substantiate the need. Compile information about how many patients need ambulance service. The IRA gets a report of the number of patients transported at every monthly meeting.
- Estimate costs and get freight quotes.
- Establish and maintain open & honest communication with the people planning ambulance service implementation. Louis Murphy is the current contact at EMS.
- Establish maintenance plan. A heated garage dedicated to ambulance storage and maintenance is necessary. It cannot be used for other business (ie. Freight pickup, logging, etc.).
- Review policies and procedures that exist or need to be developed for the new equipment and facilities.
- Use Kawerak's Grant Writer Assistance program or hire a grant writer to apply for assistance to acquire all the equipment and training needed.
- Hire an EMS Tech Certified driver.
- Maintain accurate inventory of contents/supplies needed for ambulance use.

New Clinic

- Investigate any easement or environmental issues.
- Determine the availability or access to utilities.
- Obtain gravel or backfill to prepare the site for construction using local resources if possible.
- Identify possible funding sources and partners.
- Use Kawerak's grant writer assistance program to hire a grant writer to contact funding sources, seek matching funds from the community, and apply for funds for the various stages of the project.

Long Term Care Facilities

- Conduct all activities with consistent input and cooperation among partner villages, NSHC, and NVU.
- Develop unbiased, comprehensive market research which will: advise the design development of the facility; workforce planning and implementation; fund development planning for sustainability.
- Raise funds to complete all pre-development activities including bid documents.
- Issue RFPs with bid documents.
- Develop final costs.
- Raise funds to build.
- Build.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. City of Gambell, P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742
3. Sivuqaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742

Funding Possibilities and Other Contact Information

Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC)

<http://nortonsoundhealth.org/>

US Department of Health and Human Services

<http://www.hhs.gov/>

CDBG

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/>

ICDBG

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/grants/icdbg.cfm>

USDA Rural Development Housing and Community Facilities Program

<http://www.rurdev.usda.gov>

Stephen and Mary Birch Foundation

103 Foulk Road
Suite 200
Wilmington, DE 19803
Phone: 888-372-6303
Primary Contact:
Ms. Rose B. Patek
President

Total Annual Giving: \$11,493,000
Grant Range: \$800 - \$5,372,000
Average Grant: \$1,000 - \$50,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations
Application Deadlines:
None

Areas of Interest:

Stephen and Mary Birch Foundation supports nonprofit organizations across the United States.

Types of support include general operating and project support.

Application Procedures:

Interested applicants should submit a written request that includes a description of the

organization and the purpose for which funds are being requested, along with a copy of tax exemption as issued by the IRS.

Allbritton Foundation

5615 Kirby Drive
Suite 650
Houston, TX
77005 -2460

Phone: 713-522-4921

Primary Contact:

Ms. Virginia L. White
Secretary

Total Annual Giving: \$1,500,000

Grant Range: \$100 - \$50,000

Grant Details:

Occasionally larger grants are provided.

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The Allbritton Foundation provides support to nonprofit organizations that address the following issues:

- civic affairs;
- arts and culture;
- education, including higher education; and,
- health, including hospitals.

General operating and project support are provided.

Application Procedures:

Interested applicants should submit a letter that describes the organization, the purpose for which funds are being requested, and the amount of the funding request. Include proof of 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status and financial data for the organization.

MGN Family Foundation

c/o Wells Fargo Bank, N.A., Trustee
MAC D3600-021
16 Broad Street
Charleston, SC
29401

Phone: 888-234-1999

Fax: 877-746-5889

Email:

grantadministration@wellsfargo.com

Url:

<https://www.wellsfargo.com/privatefoundationgrants/mgn>

Total Annual Giving: \$67,000

Grant Range: \$1,000 - \$5,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

February 15, annually

Areas of Interest:

The MGN Family Foundation goals are to make grants in fields of education, healthcare, medical research, children's programs, and to help those in the U.S. Military, including their families.

Application Procedures:

Application guidelines and forms are available on the website listed above.

The Gertrude E. Skelly Charitable Foundation

4600 North Ocean Boulevard
Suite 206
Boynton Beach, FL
33435

Phone: 561-276-1008

Fax: 561-272-2793

Email: skelly@hkh.com

Primary Contact:

Mr. Erik Edward, Esq., FAAN
Co Trustee

Total Annual Giving: \$948,000

Grant Range: \$2,000 - \$50,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

July 31, annually

Areas of Interest:

The mission of the Gertrude E. Skelly Charitable Foundation is to provide educational opportunities, primarily at colleges and universities, and needed medical care for those who cannot afford it. All grants must affect multiple individuals and meet an educational, medical, or emergency need. Support is rarely provided for endowments, or capital projects.

Application Procedures:

Application guidelines are available from the Foundation at the address listed above.

American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Foundation

Office of Grants Administration
601 E Street, NW
Washington, DC
20049

Phone: 888-687-2277

Email: foundationgrants@aarp.org

Url:

<http://www.aarp.org/foundationgrant>

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Total Annual Giving: \$76,351,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and educational institutions

Application Deadlines:

Varies by RFP

Areas of Interest:

The mission of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Foundation is to serve vulnerable people 50 and older by creating solutions that help them secure the essentials — food, housing, income, and personal connection — and achieve their best lives.

Application Procedures:

The Foundation's grant-making uses a Request For Proposals (RFP) process. Visit the Foundation's website for current RFP information.

First National Bank Alaska Corporate Giving Program

Marketing Department
101 West 36th Avenue, Suite 207
P.O. Box 100720
Anchorage, AK
99510 -0720

Phone: 907-777-4362

Url:

<http://www.fnbalaska.com/235.cfm>

Total Annual Giving: \$1,000,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

Requests to the Donations Committee are reviewed monthly. Requests should be received at least two months prior to the date the funds are needed.

Areas of Interest:

The First National Bank Alaska is committed to Alaska and Alaskans and to their economic and cultural growth. In addition to employee involvement, First National contributes funds to selected Alaska-based nonprofit organizations.

Application Procedures:

Application guidelines and forms are available on the company's website listed above.

May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust

c/o AdminiTrust LLC
2320 Marinship Way, Suite 150
Sausalito, CA
94965
Phone: 415-332-0166
Email:
grantsmanager@adminitrustllc.com
Url:
<http://www.adminitrustllc.com/foundations/mssct.htm>
Primary Contact:
Ms. Janet Ferraiolo

Grants Manager
Email:
jferraiolo@adminitrustllc.com
Total Annual Giving: \$10,729,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations
Application Deadlines:
None
Types of support include:
• general support;
• project support; and,
• capacity-building.

Application Procedures:

Application guidelines are available on the website listed above.

The Farris Foundation

P.O. Box 304
Lawrenceville, GA
30046 -0304
Phone: 770-962-4448
Fax: 770-962-4430
Email: info@farrisfoundation.org
Url:
<http://www.farrisfoundation.org/>
Primary Contact:
Mr. Otis Jones

President
Total Annual Giving: \$85,000
Grant Range: \$100 - \$20,000
Average Grant: \$1,000 - \$10,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations and
Christian ministries
Application Deadlines:
None. Requests are reviewed
quarterly.

Areas of Interest:

The Farris Foundation serves as a "seed ministry" to help others help themselves and acts as a catalyst in helping launch struggling ministries.

The Foundation's basic objectives are to:

- support activities that encourage people to better themselves;

- fund community projects that benefit the public at large, including projects that focus on children, seniors, and the physically and mentally challenged;
- sponsor gatherings to promote Christian ideals and mores; and,
- support Christian ministries and higher education throughout the world.

Application Procedures:

Application guidelines are available on the Foundation's website.

Frank M. Ewing Foundation

5610 Wisconsin Avenue
 PH20C
 Chevy Chase, MD
 20815 -4443
Phone: 301-656-7336
Primary Contact:
 Ms. Judith H. Ewing

Executive Vice President
Total Annual Giving: \$429,000
Grant Range: \$1,000 - \$100,000
Average Grant: \$5,000 - \$25,000
Eligibility Requirements:
 Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

The review process takes place each year in October. Requests should be received by the end of August to be considered.

The Foundation's areas of interest include:

- children and youth;
- the elderly;
- social services;
- hunger/homeless;
- education;
- health;
- environment;
- medical research; and,
- animal welfare.

General operating support and project support are provided.

Application Procedures:

Interested applicants should submit a letter that describes the organization and the purpose for which funds are being requested. Also include a copy of the IRS tax-exempt letter.

The Foster Foundation

13 Central Way
 Kirkland, WA
 98033
Phone: 206-726-1815
Email:
info@thefosterfoundation.org
Url:
<http://www.thefosterfoundation.org/>
Primary Contact:

Ms. Karen O. Rowe
 Foundation Administrator
Total Annual Giving: \$3,599,000
Grant Range: \$1,000 - \$125,000
Grant Details:
 Occasionally, larger grants are made.
Eligibility Requirements:
 Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

Applications are accepted from January 1 to August 31, annually.

Areas of Interest:

The Foster Foundation works to advance the quality of life for present and future Northwest generations. The Foundation supports nonprofit organizations in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington, with a focus on the city of Seattle and neighboring communities.

Application Procedures:

All interested applicants must submit a grant request using the Foundation's online application form.

The Hearst Foundations

300 West 57th Street
26th Floor
New York, NY
10019 -3741

Phone: 212-586-5404

Fax: 212-586-1917

Email: hearst.ny@hearstfdn.org

Url: <http://hearstfdn.org/>

Primary Contact:

Mr. Paul Dinovitz
Executive Director

Additional Contact Information:

Address for requests west of the Mississippi:

William Randolph Hearst
Foundations
90 New Montgomery Street
Suite 1212

San Francisco, CA 94105

415-908-4500

415-348-0887 (fax)

hearst.sf@hearstfdn.org

Total Annual Giving:

\$245,150,000

Grant Range: \$50,000 - \$100,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The Hearst Foundations are two legal entities: the William Randolph Hearst Foundation and The Hearst Foundation, Inc. The two foundations are administered as one.

The Hearst Foundations provide support to nonprofit organizations that reflect the philanthropic interests of William Randolph Hearst. The two Foundations are administered out of the headquarters in New York City, which reviews all proposals from organizations located east of the Mississippi River. Requests from organizations located west of the Mississippi are reviewed by the Foundation office in San Francisco. The charitable goals of the two Foundations are essentially the same.

Application Procedures:

Application guidelines are available on the Foundations' website or may be requested from the address listed above.

Organizations located east of the Mississippi River should send requests to the New York office. Organizations located west of the Mississippi River should send requests to the San Francisco office.

8.4 PRIORITY # 4 - Transportation

8.4.1 Project Description

Background

School Bus

Gambell has no school bus. Students walk or find rides on 4-wheelers & snow-machines in all weather including blizzards.

Roads

An Evacuation Road Project is in progress that will provide access to higher ground in emergencies such as flooding and tsunamis. Some work on it is planned for the summer of 2012. It goes to the cemetery & campsites on top of Sivuqaq Mountain 600' above sea level and connects Gambell with Savoonga.

Harbor Staging Area

Barges cannot land on the north side of St. Lawrence Island when wind, waves, and current interfere. They will try to land on the west side. If that does not work, they have to wait for conditions to change. Sometimes the barge just leaves with its freight, oil, etc. In extreme cases, Gambell has to ship supplies in by air. Gambell wants a breakwater causeway similar to Nome's.

Project Needs and Benefits

School Bus

Students and elders need a way to get around town in blizzard conditions. A bus with tracks will transport them to and from places like school in blizzard conditions when the roads are covered in snow and protect them from the elements. A bus will need a storage unit for security, protection from the elements, and maintenance. A storage unit will also provide means of plugging battery in to keep it charged in extreme winter conditions.

Roads

There is a need to get to higher ground in emergencies like floods and tsunamis. Completing the Evacuation Road Project will provide access to the camps on top of Sivuqaq Mountain at 600' above sea level. A marked and maintained route from the City of Gambell to the City of Savoonga is needed for safe travel. Completing the new roads will provide that too.

Harbor Staging Area

Gambell needs a place for barges to land during all weather and current conditions so it can receive freight and oil deliveries in a timely, affordable, and safe way possible. Shipping supplies in by air is a last resort and needs to be avoided as much as possible because of the high cost. Building a harbor staging area for barges to land and deliver goods to Gambell will provide the needed safety, reliability, and greatest affordability.

A road to the harbor staging area from Gambell is necessary for transporting goods to and from it.

The project will require heavy equipment and storage facilities for security and performing maintenance.

The facility may serve to enhance the community's tourism industry.

Potential Constraints to Project Development

The short construction season and the challenge of matching resources present the most potential constraints to progress on Gambell's priority transportation projects.

8.4.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

School Bus

- Get a letter of support from BSSD Business Manager, Mark Vink or the Superintendent.
- Find out how Teller acquired their school bus since it is the only one in the region.
- The operator of the bus will have to meet the State's requirements. A regular Commercial Driver's License (CDL) is not enough. The necessary testing and licensing is available in Nome.

Roads

- Add roads to next tri-council meeting agenda.
- Inventory more Indian Reservation Roads (IRR).
- Review STIP score on website and research ways to raise it.
- Document impacts of roadwork on community well-being to influence STIP score.
- Provide match to DOT (at least 10%). The match amount greatly influences the project's ranking in the order that transportation projects are completed.
- Provide gravel and equipment for DOT projects in Gambell and elsewhere. This also significantly impacts how soon the project will be completed.
- Document roads at high dust, traffic-accident, wash-out times, and other hazards due to road conditions. This helps the project's ranking too.
- Keep communication lines open with the Kawerak Transportation Program and inform the tribal members of all planned road improvement projects.
- Determine who owns all of the land for the potential road projects and begin meetings to solve the land issues for the future road project.
- Work with agencies to prioritize future road project ideas to be written into the Long Range Transportation Planning (LRTP) documents, so they can be recommended and approved.
- Monitor gravel sources for the projects based on projected gravel needs for all community projects. Work to develop new gravel sources as needed.
- Use Kawerak's grant writer assistance program to hire a grant writer to explore funding sources, seek matching funds and apply for project funds.
- Acquire and repair heavy equipment for road maintenance, etc.
- Enlist local and regional volunteers and donations for trail staking projects.

- Write policies that identify how the community will mark and maintain the trails and roads.

Harbor Staging Area

- Do an initial inventory of how many vessels are in Gambell, and how many boats visit Gambell each year from other places.
- Contact the Corps of Engineers to see if there is federal interest in navigation improvements in Gambell, given the existing and anticipated future conditions.
- Develop a project description including dimensions of the Harbor Staging Area and what size & how many vessels it will accommodate.
- Develop a pre-project plan and local feasibility study. Harbor projects are usually conducted in multiple phases by the Corps. Initial phases may be able to be streamlined depending on the depth of a local independent feasibility study.
- The City is usually designated as the local sponsor of this type of project and the Tribal Government provides supporting letters and resolutions.
- Begin the process of developing a feasibility study agreement with the Corps. The state most likely will not fund 100% of the matching fund requirement. Gambell will have a better chance of getting an appropriation if it can come up with half of their matching fund requirement before making the funding request.
- The City and the IRA should begin developing grants and contacting agencies for the 50-50 match. Both Councils need to coordinate efforts in searching for and acquiring both federal and state funding required for the 50% match.
- NSEDC has participated in small boat harbor studies and projects related to fisheries. Entities involved should coordinate in submitting a proposal to NSEDC for funding. Proposals are reviewed by the NSEDC Board biannually at their April and October quarterly meetings.
- Keep good communications with DOT, Kawerak, and other agencies on issues in Gambell. Keep the community aware of the project through posters, radio announcements, and public meetings.
- Work with USACE on planning.
- Continue to seek funding for all stages of the project. Work with the Tribe to possibly use Kawerak's grant writer assistance program to hire a grant writer to explore funding sources, seek matching funds from the community, and apply for funds for the various stages of planning and construction: easements, environmental studies, gravel, permits, constructions, business plan, inspections, and policies & procedures for center operations.
- Find out how Diomedes and other communities got their staging areas. Keep in close contact with other communities dealing with similar issues. Form a planning committee to set achievable goals for obtaining resources and looking into other options for accomplishing objectives.
- Use the Island's materials like gravel and boulders.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. City of Gambell, P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742
3. Sivuqaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742
4. Bering Straits School District (BSSD), Business Manager, Mark Vink, mvink@bssd.org, 907-624-4256
5. United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)
6. Kawerak's Transportation Dept. (KTP), Denise Michels, Program Director, 907-443-4251, dmichels@kawerak.org

Funding Possibilities and Other Contact Information

Kawerak Transportation Program (KTP)

<http://www.kawerak.org>

U.S. Army Engineer District, Alaska

<http://www.poa.usace.army.mil/hm/default.htm>

State of Alaska Harbor Engineer (DOT&PF)

Harbor Staging Area

<http://www.dot.state.ak.us/stwddes/desports/>

State of Alaska – Department of Transportation (DOT)

STIP score info is on this website:

<http://www.dot.state.ak.us/stwdplng/cip/stip/index.shtml>

Alaska State Parks: Recreational Trails Program

<http://www.alaskastatetrails.org/>

Alaska Department of Natural Resources: Snowmobile Trails Grants Program

<http://www.alaskastatetrails.org/>

Bureau of Land Management

<http://www.blm.gov/ak/st/en/fo/ado/afo.html>

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC)

<http://www.nsedc.com>

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA)

Denali Commission

<http://www.denali.gov>

National Park Service Historic Preservation

www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tribal

US Dept. of Health & Human Services

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/>

Indian Reservation Roads (IRR)

Snow removal, guard rails, etc.

<http://flh.fhwa.dot.gov/programs/irr/>

State of Alaska Legislature – Appropriations

Request assistance for a capital project

Representative Neal Foster

Senator Donald Olson

<http://senate.legis.state.ak.us/>

Private Foundations and Local Donations

8.5 PRIORITY # 5 – Waste Management

8.5.1 Project Description

Background

Gambell's dumpsites are full beyond both EPA and DEC standards. They are overflowing. Winds blow trash into the village even when it has been burned. The situation is not sanitary. Flies are everywhere in the summer.

Stores and schools dump large amounts of refuse, but construction companies contribute the most & do not have to pay fees. Oil is not disposed of properly. The dumps are overwhelmed with old batteries, snow-machines, computers, refrigerators, and other prohibited items.

Old tank farm tanks in Gambell are rotting because they did not get disassembled and removed like they were supposed to have been. The metal is flaking off, spreading, and contaminating the land and sea. There is no local IGAP program to take care of the problem.

Project Needs and Benefits

- Facility for ATVs to change and recycle oil so it does not get dumped at the landfill site
- Recycling facilities for plastic, aluminum, metal, etc. to limit how much refuse gets dumped
- A local IGAP program to assist with removal of large and hazardous equipment – IGAP is instrumental in protecting the health of the community and its environment.
- A new dumpsite so garbage does not overflow into the community and its surroundings - The health of the community and the environment will be protected.
- An incinerator station and operator to burn garbage without polluting the environment
- Dumpsite regulations and fees to limit misuse of site and generate revenue from the companies that contribute the most material to it

Potential Constraints to Project Development

- Regional technical engineers are limited to assist with new project designs.
- Delays in funding and administering services – Funding sources for landfill development projects are limited and not usually oriented toward new construction projects.
- The shipping and delivery costs are very high on all construction materials.
- Construction seasons in the region are very short.
- Land issues may need to be resolved and permits obtained.
- When a new landfill site is built, a plan will be needed to close the old landfill site.

8.5.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

- Contact or visit other communities like Elim or Koyuk that are currently renovating landfills to get information and ideas and see the issues they are facing and the solutions they have identified.
- Obtain copies of existing maintenance and hazardous waste plans from other communities and complete Gambell's waste management and hazardous waste management plans.
- Write plans identifying the purpose, type of items needed, material and shipping costs, and construction costs for needed landfill improvements.
- Select a construction site and obtain site control. Investigate easement or environmental issues. Obtain permits.
- Work with the Tribe to possibly use Kawerak's grant writer assistance program to hire a grant writer to contact funding sources, seek matching funds from the community and outside agencies, and apply for funds needed to complete the projects.
- Find funding opportunities to train and hire workers to manage the renovations or construction in compliance with policies.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. City of Gambell, P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742
3. Sivuqaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742

Funding Possibilities and Other Contact Information

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Indian General Assistance Program

<http://www.epa.gov/indian/programs.htm>

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

Tribal Solid Waste Management Assistance Project

www.epa.gov/oswer/grants-funding.htm#EPA-OSWER-OSW-08-03

Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC)

<http://www.anthc.org/>

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation

<http://www.nsedc.com>

Rasmuson Foundation

www.rasmuson.org

Private Foundations and Local donations

Solid Waste Alaska Network (SWAN)

<http://www.ccthita-swan.org/funding/IGAP.cfm>

Yukon River Inter-Tribal Watershed Council Report

www.yritwc.com/Presentations/contamination_awareness.pdf

8.6 PRIORITY # 6 – Multi-Purpose Building

8.6.1 Project Description

Background

Gambell does not have a place designated for youth to gather. Youth loitering in public places, vandalizing, and not meeting curfew because they do not have healthy recreational options.

Locals & visitors do not have adequate meeting space. Local government entities have limited office facilities.

Project Needs and Benefits

Gambell needs a multi-purpose building that serves as a recreational center, public meeting place, and office-building for all entities. It will provide youth with a safe place to spend time engaged in positive activities & avoiding trouble. A basketball court and a swimming pool will provide and encourage healthy options for exercise. A centralized location for holding meetings, conferences, & local government administration will help unify and coordinate the community's efforts. Systems used for public announcements will improve communication and awareness of events and opportunities for everyone.

The well-being of Gambell's youth and public will be significantly enhanced, enabling strong current & future leadership in the community.

Potential Constraints to Project Development

Resources for paying AVEC for setting things up (solar panels, etc.), acquiring land, new construction &/or renovation, and program maintenance (fuel, labor, materials, etc.) must be acquired and developed. Funding sources are limited, competitive, or only focus on certain demographic groups or themes. Few funding sources will finance facilities or activities for extended periods of time so the programs of any tribe must constantly seek funding from a variety of sources and be creative in how programs are designed and implemented.

8.6.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

- Form a planning board and develop a plan for activities that do not require much funding and that can make the programs & facilities self-sustaining by generating revenue.
- Develop an official purpose or mission statement for the Center.
- Develop policies that will guide the facility's staff, use, and maintenance.
- Develop a community survey or committee-brainstormed list of activities, supplies, and equipment needs.
- Advertise the center and invite volunteers to contribute time and materials.
- Coordinate with volunteers, other tribes, and organizations to have joint activities.
- Prioritize a list of activities which require outside funding. Use Kawerak's grant writer assistance program to hire a grant writer to explore funding sources, seek matching funds from the community, and apply for funds for various cultural activities.

- Develop a preliminary plan on possible sites for the building, the size, cost, and possible funding sources & partners.
- Include Gambell's Elders in building design process.
- Incorporate alternative energy technology like solar paneling to reduce operating costs.
- Use energy & resource-efficient technology like composting toilets, solar panels, and waste heat piped from the power plant & washateria to reduce operation costs and set precedence for more of Gambell's future community development strategies.
- Use Kawerak's grant writer assistance program to hire a grant writer to explore funding sources, seek matching funds from the community, and apply for funds for the various planning and construction stages of the project.
- Plan any necessary site preparation, gravel, and backfill. Explore easement & environmental issues and access to utilities.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. City of Gambell, P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742
3. Sivuvaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742

Funding Possibilities and Other Contact Information

Revenue Generated by the Center

- Rent from ICWA (if ICWA activities are on the site)

Like-funds from Gambell's Governing Entities

Elders/children/teens/volunteers

Private Foundations and Local Donations

Indian Community Development Block Grants (ICDBG)

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/grants/icdbg.cfm>

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC)

Small Business Initiative Grant

Community Benefits Fund

<http://www.nsedc.com>

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (CDBG)

<http://www.dced.state.ak.us/dca/grt/blockgrants.htm>

Kawerak – After School Funds

Phone: (907) 443-9073 or 1-(866) 283-2273

Rasmuson Foundation

<http://www.rasmuson.org/>

National Park Service Historic Preservation

www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tribal

National Park Service: Tribal Preservation Program

Historic Preservation Grants Division
1201 Eye Street, NW, 6th Floor
Washington, DC
20005

Phone: 202-354-1837

Fax: 202-371-1794

Email: NPS_Tribal_Grants@nps.gov

Url:

<http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/hpg/tribal/application.html>

Primary Contact:

Mr. James Bird

Email: james_bird@nps.gov

Total Annual Giving: \$899,000

Grant Range: \$7,500 - \$60,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Indian tribes, Alaskan Native groups,
and Native Hawaiian organizations

Application Deadlines:

March 4, 2011

(The 2012 deadline will be available in
late 2011.)

Areas of Interest:

The Tribal Preservation Program, administered by the National Park Service, is dedicated to working with Indian tribes, Alaska Native groups, Native Hawaiians, and national organizations to preserve and protect resources and traditions that are of importance to Native Americans.

Norton Sound Heath Corporation (NSHC)

<http://nortonsoundhealth.org/>

NSHC Camp Department Nome Community Fund

Phone: (907) 443-3480

US Dept. of Health and Human Services, Administration for Native Americans (ANA)

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/>

Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority

<http://bsrha.org/>

M. J. Murdock Trust

<http://www.murdock-trust.org/>

Americorps/BIRCH

<http://www.ruralcap.com/cod/BIRCH/index.cfm>

Boys and Girls Club

<http://www.bgcalaska.org/>

University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) - Northwest Campus (NWC) - Cooperative Extension Program

<http://www.nwc.uaf.edu>

Partner programs (AEWC, NSHC, BSSD, clubs, church)

Stephen and Mary Birch Foundation

103 Foulk Road
Suite 200
Wilmington, DE 19803
Phone: 888-372-6303
Primary Contact:
Ms. Rose B. Patek
President
Total Annual Giving: \$11,493,000
Grant Range: \$800 - \$5,372,000

Average Grant: \$1,000 - \$50,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations
Application Deadlines:
None
Areas of Interest:
Stephen and Mary Birch Foundation supports nonprofit organizations across the United States.

Kalliopeia Foundation

P.O. Box 151020
San Rafael, CA 94915
Email: info@kalliopeia.org
Url: <http://www.kalliopeia.org/>
Primary Contact:
Ms. Barbara Cushing
Director of Grantmaking
Total Annual Giving: \$3,775,000
Average Grant: \$5,000 - \$25,000
Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations
Application Deadlines:
Letters of inquiry: none
Areas of Interest:
The mission of the Kalliopeia Foundation is to contribute to the evolution of communities and cultures that honor the unity at the heart of life's rich diversity.

CACFP - USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program

www.fns.usda.gov/fns
<http://www.eed.state.ak.us/tls/cns/>

Alaska Summit Enterprise, Inc.

<http://www.anaalaska.org>

The Foster Foundation

<http://www.thefosterfoundation.org>

The Hearst Foundations

<http://hearstfdn.org/>

Johnson O'Malley Funds

Phone: 907-443-4256

The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority

<http://www.mhtrust.org>

Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration

<http://www.samhsa.gov>

ACF Assets for Independence Demonstration Program

Phone: (206) 615-3660

George H. and Jane A. Mifflin Memorial Fund

Phone: 617-622-2355

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) – Rural Development - Community Facilities Program

Who is Eligible To Apply? Political subdivisions of the State such as Boroughs, Cities, Port Authorities, etc., community based Non-Profits, and federally recognized Alaska Native Tribes.

Examples of Eligible Projects: Clinics, Public Safety Buildings, Roads, Alcohol and Substance Abuse Centers, Student Living Centers, Animal Shelters, Fire Stations, Fire Trucks, Ambulances, Computers, Mental Health facilities, Libraries and other essential facilities. The key is that it provides essential community services and be a facility that is typically provided by local government or a community based organization for the benefit of the community.

800 West Evergreen, Suite 201

Palmer, AK 99645

Phone: (907) 761-7705

E-mail: erin.sturdivant@ak.usda.gov

Garfield Foundation

89 North Water Street

New Bedford, MA 02740

Email: inquiry@garfieldfoundation.org

Url: <http://www.garfieldfoundation.org/>

Primary Contact:

Ms. Jennie Curtis

Total Annual Giving: \$4,200,000

Grant Range: \$10,000 - \$100,000

Grant Details:

Occasionally, larger grants are provided.

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The Garfield Foundation addresses some of the most significant ecological and social justice issues of the 21st century.

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

Office of Grants Management

140 South Dearborn Street

Chicago, IL 60603 -5285

Phone: 312-726-8000

Fax: 312-920-6258

Email: 4answers@macfound.org

Url: <http://www.macfound.org/>

Primary Contact:

Mr. Robert L. Gallucci

President

Additional Contact Information:

TDD Number: 312-920-6285

Total Annual Giving: \$298,500,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation supports creative people and effective institutions committed to building a more just, verdant, and peaceful world.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development Grant Programs

United States Conference of Catholic
Bishops

3211 Fourth Street NE
Washington, DC 20017 -1194

Phone: 202-541-3210

Fax: 202-541-3329

Email: cchdgrants@usccb.org

Url:

[http://www.usccb.org/cchd/grants/index.](http://www.usccb.org/cchd/grants/index.shtml)

[shtml](#)

Primary Contact:

Grants Administrator

Phone: 202-541-3210

Grant Range: \$25,000 - \$75,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations and Economic
Development Institutions (EDIs)

Application Deadlines:

The Pre-application Eligibility Quiz is accepted from September 1 through November 1, annually.

Online applications for current grantees: December 1, annually

Online applications for eligible prospective grantees: December 31, annually

Areas of Interest:

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the domestic anti-poverty, social justice program of the U.S. Catholic bishops. Its mission is to address the root causes of poverty in the United States through promotion and support of community-controlled, self-help organizations and through transformative education. CCHD is committed to supporting groups of low-income individuals as they work to break the cycle of poverty and improve their communities.

Seventh Generation Fund for Indian Development

P.O. Box 4569

Arcata, CA 95518

Phone: 707-825-7640

Fax: 707-825-7639

Email: tia@7genfund.org

Url: <http://www.7genfund.org/>

Primary Contact:

Ms. Tia Oros Peters

Executive Director

Total Annual Giving: \$383,000

Grant Range: \$100 - \$5,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

February 1, June 1, and October 1,
annually

Note: The Fund accepts mini-grant
proposals for amounts of \$500 or less at
any time.

Areas of Interest:

The Seventh Generation Fund for Indian
Development is dedicated to promoting
and maintaining the uniqueness of
Native peoples throughout the Americas.

Indian Land Tenure Foundation

151 East County Road B2

Little Canada, MN

55117 -1523

Phone: 651-766-8999

Fax: 651-766-0012

Email: info@iltf.org

Url: <http://www.iltf.org/>

Primary Contact:

Ms. Pat Chase

Grants Manager

Total Annual Giving: \$57,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations, tribal governments, government agencies, and educational institutions

Application Deadlines:

Visit the Foundation website or contact the Foundation office for current RFP deadlines.

Areas of Interest:

The mission of the Indian Land Tenure Foundation is to ensure that land within the original boundaries of every reservation and other areas of high significance where tribes retain aboriginal interest are in Indian ownership and management.

Alaska Children's Trust

P.O. Box 92155
161 Klevin Street, Suite 101
Anchorage, AK
99509
Phone: 907-248-7676
Fax: 907-248-7668
Email: akchildrenstrust@alaska.net
Url:
<http://www.alaskachildrenstrust.org/>
Primary Contact:
Panu Lucier

Executive Director
Total Annual Giving: \$485,000
Grant Range: \$5,000 - \$50,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations, traditional councils, city or borough governments, unified municipalities, school districts, and regional Native health corporations
Application Deadlines:
RFPs are generally issued in the spring of each year.

Areas of Interest:

The Alaska Children's Trust was created by the state legislature in 1988. The mission of the Trust is to improve the status of children in Alaska by generating funds and committing resources to promote healthy families and to assist in developing healthy communities.

The NRA Foundation: State Fund Grants

11250 Waples Mill Road
Fairfax, VA
22030
Phone: 800-554-9498
Fax: 703-267-3985
Email: grantprogram@nrahq.org
Url:
<http://www.nrafoundation.org/grants/statefund.asp>
Primary Contact:
Ms. Sandy Elkin
Grants Manager
Phone: 703-267-1131

Email: selkin@nrahq.org
Additional Contact Information:
Toll-free number: 800-423-6894
Total Annual Giving: \$17,726,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Organizations, associations, and other groups
Application Deadlines:
Varies by state
Areas of Interest:
The NRA Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations throughout the U.S. in support of the shooting sports.

First National Bank Alaska Corporate Giving Program

Marketing Department
101 West 36th Avenue, Suite 207
P.O. Box 100720
Anchorage, AK
99510 -0720
Phone: 907-777-4362
Url: <http://www.fnbalaska.com/235.cfm>
Total Annual Giving: \$1,000,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

Requests to the Donations Committee are reviewed monthly. Requests should be received at least two months prior to the date the funds are needed.

Areas of Interest:

The First National Bank Alaska is committed to Alaska and Alaskans and to their economic and cultural growth. In addition to employee involvement, First National contributes funds to selected Alaska-based nonprofit organizations.

Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation

50 California Street
Suite 2925
San Francisco, CA
94111
Phone: 415-616-4050
Fax: 415-616-4060
Email: info@draperrichards.org
Url: <http://www.draperrichards.org/>
Primary Contact:
Ms. Jenny Shilling Stein

Executive Director

Total Annual Giving: \$1,200,000

Grant Details:

Grants range up to \$100,000 annually for three years.

Eligibility Requirements:

Social entrepreneurs

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation provides selected social entrepreneurs with funding to start new nonprofit organizations. The projects selected will demonstrate innovative ways to solve existing social problems. By delivering support at the critical start-up phase, the Foundation helps outstanding people create wide-reaching social change. Funded projects must have national or global reach.

The N7 Fund

c/o Nike Community Affairs
P.O. Box 4027
Beaverton, OR 97076
Email: N7.Fund@nike.com
Url: <http://niken7.com/n7-fund/>
Grant Details:
Grants of up to \$75,000 and product donations are provided.
Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

The 2012 deadline will be available in the summer.

Areas of Interest:

Nike N7 is committed to inspiring and enabling participation in sport for Native American and Aboriginal populations in the U.S. and Canada.

National 4-H Council Grant Programs

7100 Connecticut Avenue
Chevy Chase, MD
20815 -4999
Phone: 301-961-2800
Fax: 301-961-2894
Email: 4HGrants@fourhcouncil.edu
Url: <http://4-h.org/grants.html>
Primary Contact:

Mr. Gregg Tabachow
Phone: 301-961-2869
Email: gtabachow@fourhcouncil.edu
Eligibility Requirements:
4-H Extension groups
Application Deadlines:
Varies by program

Areas of Interest:

The National 4-H Council offers grants to 4-H Extension groups in local communities, in counties, and on the state level. These grants provide opportunities for young people and adults to take action on issues critical to their lives, their families, and communities. Youth and adults work in partnership in the design of the project, the proposal writing process, the implementation, and the evaluation of funded projects.

National Geographic Society: Conservation Trust

1145 17th Street NW
Washington, DC
20090 -8249
Email: conservationtrust@ngs.org
Url:
<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/fiel>
[d/grants-programs/conservation-trust/](http://www.nationalgeographic.com/field/grants-programs/conservation-trust/)

Average Grant: \$15,000 - \$20,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Individual researchers and research teams
Application Deadlines:
None

Areas of Interest:

The objective of the Conservation Trust is to support conservation activities around the world as they fit within the mission of the National Geographic Society. The Trust will fund projects that contribute significantly to the preservation and sustainable use of the Earth's biological, cultural, and historical resources.

Dale and Edna Walsh Foundation

6461 Valley Wood Drive
Reno, NV
89523
Phone: 775-200-3446
Fax: 775-787-3069
Email: info@dewfoundation.org
Url: <http://www.dewfoundation.org/>
Primary Contact:
Ms. Shai Edberg
Director and Program Officer
Total Annual Giving: \$632,000
Grant Range: \$500 - \$75,000

Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations
Application Deadlines:
Letters of inquiry: August 31, annually
Invited proposals: October 1, annually
Areas of Interest:
The Dale and Edna Walsh (DEW) Foundation joins hands with effective nonprofit organizations to meet human need and promote the common good worldwide.

National Geographic Expeditions Council

1145 17th Street NW

Washington, DC

20036

Email: ecouncil@ngs.org

Url:

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/council/index.html>

Grant Range: \$5,000 - \$35,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Individuals

Application Deadlines:

None. Pre-applications should be submitted at least six months before anticipated project dates.

Areas of Interest:

The National Geographic Expeditions Council (EC) is a grant program that funds exploration and adventure around the world. Grants support a wide range of projects, including projects involving adventure, culture, mountains and volcanoes, marine research, natural history and conservation, and more.

Charlotte Martin Foundation

c/o Bank of America

701 5th Avenue, Suite 4700

Seattle, WA

98104

Email: info@charlottesmartin.org

Url: <http://www.charlottesmartin.org/>

Total Annual Giving: \$1,466,000

Grant Range: \$1,000 - \$20,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

January 31, April 30, and September 30, 2012

(The 2013 deadlines will be available in late 2012.)

Areas of Interest:

The Charlotte Martin Foundation is dedicated to enriching the lives of youth in the areas of athletics, culture, and education and also to preserving and protecting wildlife and habitat.

Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation

2233 Wisconsin Avenue, NW

Suite 414

Washington, DC

20007 -4122

Phone: 202-337-3300

Email: info@mvdreyfusfoundation.org

Primary Contact:

Mr. John Hager

Chief Operating Officer

Total Annual Giving: \$2,912,000

Grant Range: \$2,000 - \$30,000

Grant Details:

Occasionally larger grants are provided.

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

Grants are issued in March, June, and October of each year.

For March grants, submit between July 16 and November 10.

For June grants, submit between November 16 and March 10.

For October grants, submit between March 16 and July 10.

Areas of Interest:

The Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation primarily provides support in the following areas of interest:

- museums;
- cultural, performing, and visual arts programs;
- schools;
- hospitals;
- educational and skills training projects; and,
- programs for youth, seniors, and the handicapped.

The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation

505 5th Avenue South
Suite 900
Seattle, WA
98104

Phone: 206-342-2030

Fax: 206-342-3030

Email: info@pgafamilyfoundation.org

Url:

<http://www.pgafamilyfoundation.org/>

Total Annual Giving: \$14,693,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

Inquiries: none

Areas of Interest:

The mission of the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation, created through the consolidation of Allen's six previous foundations, is to transform lives and strengthen communities by fostering innovation, creating knowledge, and promoting social progress. The Foundation supports nonprofit organizations located in, or serving populations of, the Pacific Northwest (Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington).

Blockbuster Inc. Corporate Giving Program

c/o Office of Corporation Contributions
3000 Redbud Boulevard
McKinney, TX
75069

Url:

<http://www.blockbuster.com/corporate/c>

[Community Relations](#)

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None. Requests are reviewed monthly.

Areas of Interest:

The Blockbuster Corporate Giving Program supports nonprofit organizations at both the national and local level. The company will consider requests from organizations that meet one or more of the following requirements:

- project has film/video industry focus;
- project impacts children and families;
- project supports a particular Blockbuster business objective, i.e., diversity or employment; and,
- project has clearly defined and measurable goals.

May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust

c/o AdminiTrust LLC
2320 Marinship Way, Suite 150
Sausalito, CA
94965
Phone: 415-332-0166
Email:
grantsmanager@adminitrustllc.com
Url:
<http://www.adminitrustllc.com/foundations/mssct.htm>

Primary Contact:

Ms. Janet Ferraiolo
Grants Manager

Email: jferraiolo@adminitrustllc.com

Total Annual Giving: \$10,729,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust supports nonprofit organizations throughout the world, with emphasis on Australia, the Bahamas, Canada, Hong Kong, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

Bering Straits Foundation

P.O. Box 1008
Nome, AK
99762 -1008
Phone: 907-443-5252
Fax: 907-443-2985
Email: foundation@beringstraits.com
Url:
<http://www.beringstraits.com/northriver/wb/pages/foundation.php>

[wb/pages/foundation.php](http://www.beringstraits.com/northriver/wb/pages/foundation.php)

Primary Contact:

Ms. Kirsten Timbers

Total Annual Giving: \$170,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Individuals

Application Deadlines:

Varies by program

Areas of Interest:

The mission of the Bering Straits Foundation is to enrich the lives of the people of the Bering Straits community and strengthen self-sufficiency by supporting educational goals, cultural heritage, and traditional values.

Lannan Foundation

313 Read Street
Santa Fe, NM
87501 -2628
Phone: 505-986-8160
Fax: 505-986-8195
Email: info@lannan.org
Url: <http://www.lannan.org>
Primary Contact:

Ms. Laurie Betlach

Program Director

Total Annual Giving: \$5,525,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The Lannan Foundation is dedicated to cultural freedom, creativity, and diversity through projects that support exceptional contemporary artists and writers, as well as inspired Native activists in rural indigenous communities.

Surdna Foundation

330 Madison Avenue, 30th Floor
New York, NY
10017

Phone: 212-557-0010

Email: questions@surdna.org

Url: <http://www.surdna.org/>

Primary Contact:

Mr. Phillip Henderson

President

Total Annual Giving: \$38,780,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The Surdna Foundation seeks to foster just and sustainable communities in the United States -- communities guided by principles of social justice and distinguished by healthy environments, strong local economies, and thriving cultures.

8.7 PRIORITY #7 - Education

8.7.1 Project Description

Background

Non-locals with training and certification get jobs in Gambell that locals without training and certification are not eligible for. The community of Gambell wants to change that trend so more locals are trained, certified, and employed.

The remoteness of Gambell leads to social problems when youth do well locally but are not prepared to adjust well to city life when they leave their rural homes to attend college. There are not programs in their school district to prepare them for college or city life. Some youth are not motivated to avail themselves of training, college, and the certification required for certain local jobs.

Job fairs are representative of opportunities outside of their community.

The IRA has a program called Alaska State Tech Center (ASTEC) that job seekers attend in Seward and Kotzebue for training.

Project Needs and Benefits

- Youth need motivation to avail themselves of training, college, and certification opportunities so they can qualify for more of the jobs in Gambell.
- Gambell needs to have job fairs representative of local opportunities to help motivate the youth to get training and go to college.
- Increasing opportunities and helping more people take advantage of them will improve the social and economic well-being of the entire Tribe and provide a more skilled workforce for Tribal organizations within the community. More locals completing college, training, & certification and acquiring key positions in Gambell will add to the Tribe's self-sufficiency.

Potential Constraints to Project Development

- Job fairs are not focused on opportunities in Gambell.
- Youth are not motivated to seek college, training, or certification needed to qualify for local jobs.
- Gambell youth are successful in school locally by not well adjusted when they go to cities to attend college.
- Funding sources are limited and competitive or only focus on certain demographic groups.
- Opportunities are competitive even for people with college education, training, and certification.

8.7.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

- Hold job fairs focused on opportunities in Gambell.
- Develop ways of preparing students for college life in the cities.
- The Tribe will use Tribal enrollment records and Tribal surveys to work with families to track the ages and educational progress of Tribal students. The Tribe will publish or distribute all information available about education assistance, opportunities, and funding opportunities.
- The Tribe will work with existing organizations in the community to encourage Tribal members toward continued education.
- The Tribe will set funds aside, do fundraisers, and diligently seek outside assistance in areas related to education, technical training, and college.
- The Tribe will assist successful students by providing opportunities for internships or work-study opportunities to work for the Tribe. The Tribe will also give serious consideration to employ graduates when positions become available.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

- Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742

Funding Possibilities and Other Contact Information

UAF Northwest Campus

<http://www.nwc.uaf.edu/>

America's Job Bank

<http://www.ajb.org/employer/>

WIA Program

<http://www.doleta.gov/usworkforce/wia/>

AmeriCorps/VISTA Program

http://www.ruralcap.com/cod/AmeriCorps_vista/

AVTEC

<http://avtec.labor.state.ak.us/>

Alaska's Job Bank (ALEXsys)

<http://alexsys.labor.state.ak.us/>

NACTEC

<http://nactec.bssd.org/>

NSHC – Health Aid training

<http://www.nortonsoundhealth.org/>

U.S. Job Corps

<http://jobcorps.dol.gov/>

Kawerak's Education, Employment, and Training Division

phone: 907-443-4367

Kawerak's Vocational Rehabilitation Program

phone: 907-443-4362

Kawerak's Vocational Training Assistance Program

<http://www.kawerak.org/servicedivisions/eet/vta/index.html>

Federal Pell Grants

<http://www.ed.gov/programs/fpg/index.html>

Indian Health Services Scholarships

<http://www.ihs.com>

or call Michael Jerue or Krista Hepworth at 1-800-684-8361

or email mjerue@anthc.org

Health Resources and Services Administration Grants

<http://www.bhpr.hrsa.gov/nursing/scholarship/>

or call 1-877-464-4772

Some Scholarship Programs available to Bering Straits students

GCI

- TelAlaska
- Kawerak Direct Employment
- Kawerak Higher Education
- Bering Straits Native Corporation
- Sitnasuak Native Corporation
- JROTC
- NSEDC
- Alaska State Employee
- Lindsay Reader Memorial Fund
- Wells Fargo
- NSHC

Bering Sea Lions Club

The following Scholarships are available through UAF

- Charles and Hortense Lewis Fund
- Mike Saclamana Northwest Campus Scholarship
- Bon V. and Bernice Davis Scholarship
- Horning Memorial Scholarship

8.8 PRIORITY # 8 - Economy

8.8.1 Project Description

Background

The Gambell Native Corporation only has tourism scheduled for the summertime when cruise ships arrive. Gambell does not have its own tour-guides. Tour-guides, cooks, etc. who provide services for tourists who come to bird-watch are from outside the community. The Corporation wants more capital, planning, and business training/experience to boost its efforts. It had a restaurant, but had to close it down because of operating costs.

Project Needs and Benefits

- Hold job fair focusing on careers and employment that are available within the community. Help youth become aware of ways they can lead their own community.
- Gambell needs its own people to provide services like guiding and cooking for tourists in order to help boost the economy. Tour-guides will have to meet safety requirements necessary for transporting tourists.
- Gambell needs to access capital to jump-start economic activity.
- Gambell's entrepreneurs need more training in business skills to increase their success.
- Gambell needs to develop resources like its whaling festival, guiding, performance arts, cooking, boat-building, carving, traditional summer-igloo building, etc. into tourist attractions that will strengthen its economy.
- Gambell needs to take appropriate measures to protect its traditional intellectual property rights.
- Gambell needs to establish and maintain services like a restaurant, pool hall, public restrooms, computer/arcade center, etc. for the benefit of locals, tourists, and the local economy.

Potential Constraints to Project Development

- Determining what kinds of training residents or tribal members are interested in and then working with partner agencies to plan and schedule the training.
- Tuition is costly and assistance may be necessary.
- Sources of start-up capital have to be identified for businesses like restaurants to be established. Keeping the business open in non-tourist season is challenging and may not be feasible. Careful planning and flexibility will be required.

8.8.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

- Consult with leadership from other communities in the Region about how they have succeeded in similar projects and what problems to be aware of.
- Hold job fairs focusing on local employment opportunities and ways of leading the community.
- Develop a survey to determine which kinds of training or education needs people in the community and tribe are interested in obtaining.
- Work with existing agencies to encourage program development in the areas identified.
- Determine if the tribe should host any training that is not available in the region.
- Use Kawerak's grant writer assistance program or hire a grant writer to explore funding sources for education of training projects, seek matching funds, and apply for project funding.
- Work with Kawerak's Business Planning Specialist on developing planning documents, identifying sources of start-up capital, acquiring start-up capital, and establishing & maintaining successful business operations.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. Sivuqaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742
3. Kawerak, Inc., Business Planning Specialist, 907-443-4390, abioff@kawerak.org

Funding Possibilities and Other Contact Information

NACTEC

<http://nactec.bssd.org>

UAF - NWC

<http://www.nwc.uaf.edu/>

Cooperative Extension

http://www.nwc.uaf.edu/index.php?option=com_content&task=category§ionid=5&id=53&Itemid=33

Kawerak Community Education Program, Village Based Training, and Community Planning and Development Program

<http://www.kawerak.org>

Norton Sound Health Corporation

<http://www.nshcorp.org>

NSEDC – Small Business Initiative Grant

<http://www.nsedc.com>

Also see the funding possibilities listed under Priority # 6, Multi-Purpose Building.

8.9 PRIORITY # 9 – Processing Plant

8.9.1 Project Description

Background

The Marine Mammal Protection Act gives Natives the right to harvest marine mammals for personal use but prohibits their sale. Salmon, halibut, and reindeer are probably allowed to be sold under the regulations. Gambell had a processing plant with storage facilities for Native foods in the 1970s and 1980s.

Project Needs and Benefits

Gambell needs a community facility for processing and storing meat and tanning hides. It will give the community the means of processing seal, red fox, polar bear, reindeer, wolf, walrus, squirrel, and whale for commercial and personal uses.

A meat processing plant/tannery could create employment for locals. It would save time for local people because they could have their harvests processed at the plant. The plant would use local talent & resources and could get youth involved in hunting sea & land mammals. It could bring income to the community from other areas through sales and processing fees. Locals might be able to make money by selling skins to the tannery.

Potential Constraints to Project Development

- Commercial regulations (Marine Mammal Protection Act)
- Planning design, location, and policies
- Maintenance and start-up costs
- Salary/benefits costs for a full-time operator

8.9.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

- Discuss at public planning meetings.
- Consult with other communities like Savoonga, Unalakleet, and Shishmaref that have similar facilities already. Learn strategies that may help establish & maintain them and avoid problems associated with them.
- Plan and design operating & personnel policies, location, and construction.
- Seek funding.
- Order materials, hire workers, and build.
- Train and hire tannery manager & workers.
- Begin marketing.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. Sivuqaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742
3. City of Gambell, P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742

Funding Possibilities and Other Contact Information

- Business grants and loans
- Private foundations
- Local fund raisers
- ANA
- Local land, equipment, and gravel
- Local labor
- Local fur resources
- See funding possibilities for Priority #6, Multi-Purpose Building

8.10 PRIORITY # 10 – Cultural Center

8.10.1 Project Description

Background

Gambell's youth are losing the ability to speak their Native Yupik language. They still understand it, but not as many can speak it anymore. They are learning English instead. The schools have bi-lingual programs, which help but do not thoroughly teach all Yupik words.

There are no facilities for housing & displaying local artifacts for tourists and locals to view. The Smithsonian Institute will return all artifacts from Bearing Straits Tribes through the "Repatriation Act." But the Region's Tribes need to prepare facilities for their safe storage and display. Ceremonial ritual animal skeletal artifacts from gravesites are being returned to Tribal families already.

Traditionally, the people of Gambell had a gathering place for teaching, learning, and sharing among youth, adults, and elders. Gambell's residents bead, carve, sew, skin, hunt, prepare & store food, sing, dance, drum, tell stories, speak & teach the Yupik language, make boats & sleds, repair motors, run businesses, care for & heal the sick & wounded, counsel the suffering, and lead & govern the community. Currently, there is no place for gathering to teach these life-skills in Gambell.

Project Needs and Benefits

Gambell needs a self-sustaining center to continue its tradition of sharing and teaching what it has to offer with its youth and its visitors. It will be a cultural heritage learning center where local traditions are preserved. It will be equipped with temperature control for storage, preservation, and display of artifacts. Youth need to identify with their culture, be proud of it, and feel like they are part-owners of what is theirs. Visitors should be able to see what local culture & identity is.

The community needs a small-engine repair shop, an e-commerce center, carving facilities, and a location for selling locally-made crafts. The Cultural Center will provide these facilities.

The well-being of Gambell's youth and the continuity of the teachings & wisdom of its Elder's will be significantly enhanced enabling strong current & future leadership in the community. The example will help serve similar efforts and needs elsewhere in the Bering Straits Region.

Potential Constraints to Project Development

Resources for FDA certifications, paying AVEC for setting things up (solar panels, etc.), acquiring land, new construction & or renovation, and program maintenance (fuel, labor, materials, etc.) must be acquired and developed. Funding sources are limited, competitive, or only focus on certain demographic groups or themes. Few funding sources will finance facilities or activities for extended periods of time so the programs of any tribe must constantly seek funding from a variety of sources and be creative in how programs are designed and implemented.

8.10.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

- Form a Gambell Cultural Center Opportunity Planning Board and develop a plan for activities that do not require much funding and that can make the programs & facilities self-sustaining by generating revenue.
- Develop an official purpose or mission statement for the Cultural Center.
- Develop policies that will guide the facility's staff, use, and maintenance.
- Develop a community survey or committee-brainstormed list of activities, supplies, and equipment needs.
- Advertise the center and invite volunteers to contribute time and materials.
- Coordinate with volunteers, other tribes, and organizations to have joint activities.
- Prioritize a list of activities which require outside funding. Use Kawerak's grant writer assistance program to hire a grant writer to explore funding sources, seek matching funds from the community, and apply for funds for various cultural activities.
- Develop a preliminary plan on possible sites for the building, the size, cost, and possible funding sources & partners.
- Include Gambell's Elders in the building-design process.
- Incorporate alternative energy technology like solar paneling to reduce operating costs.
- Use energy & resource-efficient technology like composting toilets, solar panels, and waste heat piped from the power plant & washateria to reduce operation costs and set precedence for more of Gambell's future community development strategies.
- Use Kawerak's grant writer assistance program to hire a grant writer to explore funding sources, seek matching funds from the community, and apply for funds for the various planning and construction stages of the project.
- Plan any necessary site preparation, gravel, and backfill. Explore easement & environmental issues and access to utilities.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. City of Gambell, P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742
3. Sivuvaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742

Possible Resources and Other Contact Information

Revenue Generated by the Center

- Rent from ICWA (if ICWA activities are on the site)
- Online & onsite sales of youth/local crafts. Revenue can be split between artist and overhead costs.

Like-funds from Gambell's Governing Entities

Elders/children/teens/volunteers

Private Foundations and Local Donations

Indian Community Development Block Grants (ICDBG)

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/grants/icdbg.cfm>

Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation (NSEDC)

Small Business Initiative Grant

Community Benefits Fund

<http://www.nsedc.com>

Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (CDBG)

<http://www.dced.state.ak.us/dca/grt/blockgrants.htm>

Kawerak – After School Funds

Phone: (907) 443-9073 or 1-(866) 283-2273

Rasmuson Foundation

<http://www.rasmuson.org/>

National Park Service Historic Preservation

www.cr.nps.gov/hps/tribal

National Park Service: Tribal Preservation Program

Historic Preservation Grants

Division

1201 Eye Street, NW, 6th Floor

Washington, DC

20005

Phone: 202-354-1837

Fax: 202-371-1794

Email:

NPS_Tribal_Grants@nps.gov

Url:

<http://www.nps.gov/history/hps/hpg/tribal/application.html>

Primary Contact:

Mr. James Bird

Email: james_bird@nps.gov

Total Annual Giving: \$899,000

Grant Range: \$7,500 - \$60,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Indian tribes, Alaskan Native groups, and Native Hawaiian organizations

Application Deadlines:

March 4, 2011

(The 2012 deadline will be available in late 2011.)

Areas of Interest:

The Tribal Preservation Program, administered by the National Park Service, is dedicated to working with Indian tribes, Alaska Native groups, Native Hawaiians, and national organizations to preserve and protect resources and traditions that are of importance to Native Americans.

Norton Sound Health Corporation (NSHC)

<http://nortonsoundhealth.org/>

NSHC Camp Department Nome Community Fund

Phone: (907) 443-3480

US Dept. of Health and Human Services, Administration for Native Americans (ANA)

<http://www.acf.hhs.gov/programs/ana/>

Bering Straits Regional Housing Authority

<http://bsrha.org/>

M. J. Murdock Trust

<http://www.murdock-trust.org/>

Americorps/BIRCH

<http://www.ruralcap.com/cod/BIRCH/index.cfm>

Boys and Girls Club

<http://www.bgcalaska.org/>

University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF) - Northwest Campus (NWC) - Cooperative Extension Program

<http://www.nwc.uaf.edu>

Partner programs (AEWC, NSHC, BSSD, clubs, church)

Stephen and Mary Birch Foundation

103 Foulk Road
Suite 200
Wilmington, DE 19803

Phone: 888-372-6303

Primary Contact:

Ms. Rose B. Patek
President

Total Annual Giving: \$11,493,000

Grant Range: \$800 - \$5,372,000

Average Grant: \$1,000 - \$50,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

Stephen and Mary Birch Foundation supports nonprofit organizations across the United States.

Kalliopeia Foundation

P.O. Box 151020

San Rafael, CA 94915

Email: info@kalliopeia.org

Url: <http://www.kalliopeia.org/>

Primary Contact:

Ms. Barbara Cushing

Director of Grantmaking

Total Annual Giving: \$3,775,000

Average Grant: \$5,000 - \$25,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

Letters of inquiry: none

Areas of Interest:

The mission of the Kalliopeia Foundation is to contribute to the evolution of communities and cultures that honor the unity at the heart of life's rich diversity.

-CACFP - USDA Child and Adult Care Food Program

www.fns.usda.gov/fns

<http://www.eed.state.ak.us/tls/cns/>

-Alaska Summit Enterprise, Inc.

<http://www.anaalaska.org>

-The Foster Foundation

<http://www.thefosterfoundation.org>

-The Hearst Foundations

<http://hearstfdn.org/>

-Johnson O'Malley Funds

-Phone: 907-443-4256

-The Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority

<http://www.mhtrust.org>

-Substance Abuse & Mental Health Services Administration

<http://www.samhsa.gov>

-ACF Assets for Independence Demonstration Program

-Phone: (206) 615-3660

-George H. and Jane A. Mifflin Memorial Fund

-Phone: 617-622-2355

United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) – Rural Development - Community Facilities Program

Who is Eligible To Apply? Political subdivisions of the State such as Boroughs, Cities, Port Authorities, etc., community based Non-Profits, and federally recognized Alaska Native Tribes.

Examples of Eligible Projects: Clinics, Public Safety Buildings, Roads, Alcohol and Substance Abuse Centers, Student Living Centers, Animal Shelters, Fire Stations, Fire Trucks, Ambulances, Computers, Mental Health facilities, Libraries and other essential facilities. The key is that it provides essential community services and be a facility that is typically provided by local government or a community based organization for the benefit of the community.

800 West Evergreen, Suite 201

Palmer, AK 99645

Phone: (907) 761-7705

E-mail: erin.sturdivant@ak.usda.gov

Garfield Foundation

89 North Water Street
New Bedford, MA 02740

Email:

inquiry@garfieldfoundation.org

Url:

<http://www.garfieldfoundation.org/>

Primary Contact:

Ms. Jennie Curtis

Total Annual Giving: \$4,200,000

Grant Range: \$10,000 - \$100,000

Grant Details:

Occasionally, larger grants are provided.

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The Garfield Foundation addresses some of the most significant ecological and social justice issues of the 21st century.

John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation

Office of Grants Management

140 South Dearborn Street

Chicago, IL 60603 -5285

Phone: 312-726-8000

Fax: 312-920-6258

Email: 4answers@macfound.org

Url: <http://www.macfound.org/>

Primary Contact:

Mr. Robert L. Gallucci

President

Additional Contact Information:

TDD Number: 312-920-6285

Total Annual Giving:

\$298,500,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation supports creative people and effective institutions committed to building a more just, verdant, and peaceful world.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development Grant Programs

United States Conference of Catholic
Bishops
3211 Fourth Street NE
Washington, DC 20017 -1194
Phone: 202-541-3210
Fax: 202-541-3329
Email: cchdgrants@usccb.org
Url:
<http://www.usccb.org/cchd/grants/in>

[dex.shtml](#)

Primary Contact:

Grants Administrator

Phone: 202-541-3210

Grant Range: \$25,000 - \$75,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations and
Economic Development Institutions
(EDIs)

Application Deadlines:

The Pre-application Eligibility Quiz is accepted from September 1 through November 1, annually.

Online applications for current grantees: December 1, annually

Online applications for eligible prospective grantees: December 31, annually

Areas of Interest:

The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the domestic anti-poverty, social justice program of the U.S. Catholic bishops. Its mission is to address the root causes of poverty in the United States through promotion and support of community-controlled, self-help organizations and through transformative education. CCHD is committed to supporting groups of low-income individuals as they work to break the cycle of poverty and improve their communities.

Seventh Generation Fund for Indian Development

P.O. Box 4569
Arcata, CA 95518
Phone: 707-825-7640
Fax: 707-825-7639
Email: tia@7genfund.org
Url: <http://www.7genfund.org/>
Primary Contact:
Ms. Tia Oros Peters
Executive Director
Total Annual Giving: \$383,000
Grant Range: \$100 - \$5,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

February 1, June 1, and October 1, annually

Note: The Fund accepts mini-grant proposals for amounts of \$500 or less at any time.

Areas of Interest:

The Seventh Generation Fund for Indian Development is dedicated to promoting and maintaining the uniqueness of Native peoples throughout the Americas.

Indian Land Tenure Foundation

151 East County Road B2
Little Canada, MN
55117 -1523
Phone: 651-766-8999
Fax: 651-766-0012
Email: info@iltf.org

Url: <http://www.iltf.org/>

Primary Contact:

Ms. Pat Chase

Grants Manager

Total Annual Giving: \$57,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations, tribal governments, government agencies, and educational institutions

Application Deadlines:

Visit the Foundation website or contact the Foundation office for current RFP deadlines.

Areas of Interest:

The mission of the Indian Land Tenure Foundation is to ensure that land within the original boundaries of every reservation and other areas of high significance where tribes retain aboriginal interest are in Indian ownership and management.

Alaska Children's Trust

P.O. Box 92155
161 Klevin Street, Suite 101
Anchorage, AK
99509
Phone: 907-248-7676
Fax: 907-248-7668
Email: akchildrenstrust@alaska.net
Url:
<http://www.alaskachildrenstrust.org/>
Primary Contact:
Panu Lucier
Executive Director

Total Annual Giving: \$485,000
Grant Range: \$5,000 - \$50,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations, traditional councils, city or borough governments, unified municipalities, school districts, and regional Native health corporations
Application Deadlines:
RFPs are generally issued in the spring of each year.

Areas of Interest:

The Alaska Children's Trust was created by the state legislature in 1988. The mission of the Trust is to improve the status of children in Alaska by generating funds and committing resources to promote healthy families and to assist in developing healthy communities.

The NRA Foundation: State Fund Grants

11250 Waples Mill Road
Fairfax, VA
22030
Phone: 800-554-9498
Fax: 703-267-3985
Email: grantprogram@nrahq.org
Url:
<http://www.nrafoundation.org/grants/statefund.asp>
Primary Contact:
Ms. Sandy Elkin
Grants Manager
Phone: 703-267-1131
Email: selkin@nrahq.org

Additional Contact Information:
Toll-free number: 800-423-6894
Total Annual Giving: \$17,726,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Organizations, associations, and other groups
Application Deadlines:
Varies by state
Areas of Interest:
The NRA Foundation provides grants to nonprofit organizations throughout the U.S. in support of the shooting sports.

First National Bank Alaska Corporate Giving Program

Marketing Department
101 West 36th Avenue, Suite 207
P.O. Box 100720
Anchorage, AK
99510 -0720
Phone: 907-777-4362
Url:
<http://www.fnbalaska.com/235.cfm>
Total Annual Giving: \$1,000,000

Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations
Application Deadlines:
Requests to the Donations
Committee are reviewed monthly.
Requests should be received at least
two months prior to the date the
funds are needed.

Areas of Interest:

The First National Bank Alaska is committed to Alaska and Alaskans and to their economic and cultural growth. In addition to employee involvement, First National contributes funds to selected Alaska-based nonprofit organizations. Requests for funding are considered in the following four general categories:

- community and public service;
- health and education;
- arts and humanities; and,
- youth and senior citizens.

Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation

50 California Street
Suite 2925
San Francisco, CA
94111
Phone: 415-616-4050
Fax: 415-616-4060
Email: info@draperrichards.org
Url: <http://www.draperrichards.org/>
Primary Contact:
Ms. Jenny Shilling Stein

Executive Director
Total Annual Giving: \$1,200,000
Grant Details:
Grants range up to \$100,000
annually for three years.
Eligibility Requirements:
Social entrepreneurs
Application Deadlines:
None

Areas of Interest:

The Draper Richards Kaplan Foundation provides selected social entrepreneurs with funding to start new nonprofit organizations. The projects selected will demonstrate innovative ways to solve existing social problems. By delivering support at the critical start-up phase, the Foundation helps outstanding people create wide-reaching social change. Funded projects must have national or global reach.

The N7 Fund

c/o Nike Community Affairs
P.O. Box 4027
Beaverton, OR 97076
Email: N7.Fund@nike.com
Url: <http://niken7.com/n7-fund/>
Grant Details:
Grants of up to \$75,000 and product
donations are provided.

Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations
Application Deadlines:
The 2012 deadline will be available
in the summer.
Areas of Interest:
Nike N7 is committed to inspiring
and enabling participation in sport

for Native American and Aboriginal

populations in the U.S. and Canada.

National 4-H Council Grant Programs

7100 Connecticut Avenue

Chevy Chase, MD

20815 -4999

Phone: 301-961-2800

Fax: 301-961-2894

Email: 4HGrants@fourhcouncil.edu

Url: <http://4-h.org/grants.html>

Primary Contact:

Mr. Gregg Tabachow

Phone: 301-961-2869

Email:

gtabachow@fourhcouncil.edu

Eligibility Requirements:

4-H Extension groups

Application Deadlines:

Varies by program

Areas of Interest:

The National 4-H Council offers grants to 4-H Extension groups in local communities, in counties, and on the state level. These grants provide opportunities for young people and adults to take action on issues critical to their lives, their families, and communities.

Youth and adults work in partnership in the design of the project, the proposal writing process, the implementation, and the evaluation of funded projects.

National Geographic Society: Conservation Trust

1145 17th Street NW

Washington, DC

20090 -8249

Email: conservationtrust@ngs.org

Url:

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/field/grants-programs/conservation-trust/>

[trust/](#)

Average Grant: \$15,000 - \$20,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Individual researchers and research teams

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The objective of the Conservation Trust is to support conservation activities around the world as they fit within the mission of the National Geographic Society. The Trust will fund projects that contribute significantly to the preservation and sustainable use of the Earth's biological, cultural, and historical resources.

Dale and Edna Walsh Foundation

6461 Valley Wood Drive

Reno, NV

89523

Phone: 775-200-3446

Fax: 775-787-3069

Email: info@dewfoundation.org

Url: <http://www.dewfoundation.org/>

Primary Contact:

Ms. Shai Edberg

Director and Program Officer

Total Annual Giving: \$632,000

Grant Range: \$500 - \$75,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

Letters of inquiry: August 31, annually

Invited proposals: October 1, annually

Areas of Interest:

The Dale and Edna Walsh (DEW) Foundation joins hands with effective nonprofit organizations to meet human need and promote the common good worldwide.

National Geographic Expeditions Council

1145 17th Street NW
Washington, DC
20036

Email: ecouncil@ngs.org

Url:

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/council/index.html>

Grant Range: \$5,000 - \$35,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Individuals

Application Deadlines:

None. Pre-applications should be submitted at least six months before anticipated project dates.

Areas of Interest:

The National Geographic Expeditions Council (EC) is a grant program that funds exploration and adventure around the world. Grants support a wide range of projects, including projects involving adventure, culture, mountains and volcanoes, marine research, natural history and conservation, and more.

Charlotte Martin Foundation

c/o Bank of America
701 5th Avenue, Suite 4700
Seattle, WA
98104

Email: info@charlottesmartin.org

Url: <http://www.charlottesmartin.org/>

Total Annual Giving: \$1,466,000

Grant Range: \$1,000 - \$20,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

January 31, April 30, and September 30, 2012

(The 2013 deadlines will be available in late 2012.)

Areas of Interest:

The Charlotte Martin Foundation is dedicated to enriching the lives of youth in the areas of athletics, culture, and education and also to preserving and protecting wildlife and habitat.

Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation

2233 Wisconsin Avenue, NW
Suite 414
Washington, DC
20007 -4122

Phone: 202-337-3300

Email:

info@mvdreyfusfoundation.org

Primary Contact:

Mr. John Hager

Chief Operating Officer

Total Annual Giving: \$2,912,000

Grant Range: \$2,000 - \$30,000

Grant Details:

Occasionally larger grants are provided.

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

Grants are issued in March, June, and October of each year.
For March grants, submit between July 16 and November 10.
For June grants, submit between November 16 and March 10.
For October grants, submit between March 16 and July 10.

Areas of Interest:

The Max and Victoria Dreyfus Foundation primarily provides support in the following areas of interest:

- museums;
- cultural, performing, and visual arts programs;
- schools;
- hospitals;
- educational and skills training projects; and,
- programs for youth, seniors, and the handicapped.

The Paul G. Allen Family Foundation

505 5th Avenue South
Suite 900
Seattle, WA
98104

Phone: 206-342-2030

Fax: 206-342-3030

Email:
info@pgafamilyfoundation.org

Url:

<http://www.pgafamilyfoundation.org/>

Total Annual Giving: \$14,693,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

Inquiries: none

Areas of Interest:

The mission of the Paul G. Allen Family Foundation, created through the consolidation of Allen's six previous foundations, is to transform lives and strengthen communities by fostering innovation, creating knowledge, and promoting social progress. The Foundation supports nonprofit organizations located in, or serving populations of, the Pacific Northwest (Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington).

Blockbuster Inc. Corporate Giving Program

c/o Office of Corporation
Contributions
3000 Redbud Boulevard
McKinney, TX
75069

Url:
[http://www.blockbuster.com/corporate](http://www.blockbuster.com/corporate/communityRelations)

[te/communityRelations](http://www.blockbuster.com/corporate/communityRelations)

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None. Requests are reviewed monthly.

Areas of Interest:

The Blockbuster Corporate Giving Program supports nonprofit organizations at both the

national and local level. The company will consider requests from organizations that meet one or more of the following requirements:

- project has film/video industry focus;
- project impacts children and families;
- project supports a particular Blockbuster business objective, i.e., diversity or employment; and,
- project has clearly defined and measurable goals.

May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust

c/o AdminiTrust LLC
2320 Marinship Way, Suite 150
Sausalito, CA
94965
Phone: 415-332-0166
Email:
grantsmanager@adminitrustllc.com
Url:
<http://www.adminitrustllc.com/foundations/mssct.htm>

Primary Contact:

Ms. Janet Ferraiolo
Grants Manager

Email:

jferraiolo@adminitrustllc.com

Total Annual Giving: \$10,729,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Nonprofit organizations

Application Deadlines:

None

Areas of Interest:

The May and Stanley Smith Charitable Trust supports nonprofit organizations throughout the world, with emphasis on Australia, the Bahamas, Canada, Hong Kong, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

Bering Straits Foundation

P.O. Box 1008
Nome, AK
99762 -1008
Phone: 907-443-5252
Fax: 907-443-2985
Email:
foundation@beringstraits.com
Url:
<http://www.beringstraits.com/northri>

[http://www.beringstraits.com/northri](http://www.beringstraits.com/northriver/wb/pages/foundation.php)

Primary Contact:

Ms. Kirsten Timbers

Total Annual Giving: \$170,000

Eligibility Requirements:

Individuals

Application Deadlines:

Varies by program

Areas of Interest:

The mission of the Bering Straits Foundation is to enrich the lives of the people of the Bering Straits community and strengthen self-sufficiency by supporting educational goals, cultural heritage, and traditional values.

Lannan Foundation

313 Read Street
Santa Fe, NM
87501 -2628
Phone: 505-986-8160
Fax: 505-986-8195
Email: info@lannan.org
Url: <http://www.lannan.org>
Primary Contact:

Ms. Laurie Betlach
Program Director
Total Annual Giving: \$5,525,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations
Application Deadlines:
None

Areas of Interest:

The Lannan Foundation is dedicated to cultural freedom, creativity, and diversity through projects that support exceptional contemporary artists and writers, as well as inspired Native activists in rural indigenous communities.

Surdna Foundation

330 Madison Avenue, 30th Floor
New York, NY
10017
Phone: 212-557-0010
Email: questions@surdna.org
Url: <http://www.surdna.org/>
Primary Contact:

Mr. Phillip Henderson
President
Total Annual Giving: \$38,780,000
Eligibility Requirements:
Nonprofit organizations
Application Deadlines:
None

Areas of Interest:

The Surdna Foundation seeks to foster just and sustainable communities in the United States -- communities guided by principles of social justice and distinguished by healthy environments, strong local economies, and thriving cultures.

8.11 PRIORITY # 11 – Storage & Workshop Facility

8.11.1 Project Description

Background

Gambell does not have facilities for storing heavy equipment and other large items. Storage facilities are needed to protect equipment from the salt air and extreme sub-arctic environment. Outdoor conditions shorten the lifespan of equipment and result in the necessity of more frequent and costly repairs and replacement.

The community does not have a workshop/garage space for engine maintenance & skin-boat repair work. The harsh weather makes it difficult to do outdoor repairs.

Project Needs and Benefits

Gambell needs a heated garage/workshop for storage and maintenance/repair of heavy equipment, skin-boats, and other large items. Having a new adequate maintenance shop will provide a safe environment to repair, maintain, and store the equipment; it will also extend the life of the heavy equipment and protect it from being tampered with by unauthorized people. If a new shop were built, the City could consider renting space to the public for storage and repairs. This would generate some income for the City to help pay the maintenance costs of the new shop.

Potential Constraints to Project Development

Funding and site control are the main concerns for the project.

- Management & Usage Policies
- Funds
 - Construction
 - Tools
 - Manager salary
 - Utilities
 - Maintenance

8.11.2 Project Implementation

Plan of Action

- Make an inventory of the city equipment and prioritize which items are the most cost effective to have shop space allocated for it. Estimate the size of the land needed to house the new shop or shop extension.
- Do projections on possible income that could be generated by renting temporary space to the public to do repairs. Write policies for public usage that will assure safety and keep city property secure. Keep these matters in mind when the extension is being designed so the public work area has a separate entrance and is not connected to the city storage area.
- Site selection and site control. Solve easement and environmental issues.
- Secure funding for the design. Begin writing policies for maintenance and security.
- Begin to prepare the site for construction by bringing in gravel for the parcel.
- Secure funding for the various stages of construction.

Organizations Responsible and Contact Information

For information concerning the status of the project or to coordinate efforts on the project's completion, contact:

1. Native Village of Gambell, P.O. Box 90, Gambell, AK 99742
2. City of Gambell, P.O. Box 189, Gambell, AK 99742
3. Sivuqaq, Inc., P.O. Box 101, Gambell, AK 99742

Possible Resources and Other Contact Information

Denali Commission

www.denali.gov

Kathy Prentki or Rayna Swanson: 907-271-1414

ICDBG

(tribe could apply as a partner)

Barbara Gallegos 602-379-7215

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/pih/ih/grants/icdbg.cfm>

Economic Development Administration (EDA)

Bernhard Richert

907-271-2272

www.eda.gov

CDBG

<http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/communitydevelopment/programs/>

USDA Rural Development Housing and Community Facilities Program

http://www.rurdev.usda.gov/rhs/cf/success%20stories/Helth_Clinic_Wales_AK.htm

State of Alaska Mini-Grant Program

<http://www.dced.state.ak.us/dca/grt/minigrant.htm>

9.0 Review and Update Process

The Joint entities are encouraged to review, update, and reprioritize the priorities annually. Addendums can be added to this plan as often as needed.

10.0 Maps

Current map of the community is available through Kawerak's Community Planning and Development Program or Kawerak Transportation

11.0 Public Participation

Public Planning Meetings

A public planning session was held on February 14-16 to assess the community's current assets and needs, and revise the community's Local Economic Development Plan (LEDP). The community completed the process through a three-day planning session identifying development goals and priorities in line with the community values, strengths and needs. Participant attendance numbered from 7-16 with an average daily attendance of 13 community members. Members of the Traditional Council, City Council and Staff, Native Corporation Board, Youth Leaders, and the general public were present at each meeting, showing diverse input from the community on future paths of development.

Thursday, Feb. 16, 2012
Edgar Edgar Campbell
Ivers Campbell
Iyaaka Sindi Sindi, Sr.
Melvin Apassengok
James Walunga
Virgil Soonagook
Dr. Conrad Ozema

Joint Entities Meeting Review of Draft

Following the completion of the public planning meetings in February, the Tribal Council, the City of Gambell, and the Native Corporation Board agreed to hold a joint meeting to review the draft LEDP, edit if necessary, and adopt the plan by resolution. The tri-council adopted the Gambell 2012-2017 LEDP on October 13th, 2012.

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Gambell Local Economic Development Plan - <http://www.kawerak.org/ledps/gambell.pdf>

Gambell Long Range Transportation Plan, Available online at:
<http://www.kawerak.org/servicedivisions/csd/trans/LRTP/GambellLRTP.pdf>

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<http://live.laborstats.alaska.gov/cen/dparea.cfm>

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Gambell Planning Organizations

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P.O. Box 39009
Gambell, AK 99739

Sivuqaq, Inc.
P.O. Box 39010
Gambell, AK 99739

Native Village of Gambell
P.O. Box 39070
Gambell, AK 99739

Kawerak Community Planning and Development Department

Community Services Division, Kawerak, Inc.
Simon Ellanna Strickling - Planning and Development Specialist
PO Box 948, Nome, AK 99762
907- 443-4253 Fax 907-443-4449
Web - www.kawerak.org / E-mail: sstrickling@kawerak.org