

## Youth Grantees - FY 2008

Organization Name	Project Summary	Contact	City	Phone	Award Amount
<b>Interior Communities</b>					
Access Alaska, Inc	In fiscal year 2007, Access Alaska will continue its community based inter-agency approach to providing transition services to youth who experience disabilities by providing, depending on each youth's assessed needs and transition goals, supports and training in academic, independent living, pre-employment and employment skills. Service delivery Strategies include tutoring, mentoring, peer support, participation in group projects and job coaching. Outcomes for youth include attaining grade related academic achievement levels, graduation from secondary school, acquisition of pre-vocational skills, participation in paid internships, and employment.	Jim Kreatschman	Fairbanks	479-7940	\$100,000
<b>Western Communities</b>					
Lower Kuskokwim S.D. Bethel Alternative Boarding School	BABS will serve a minimum of 28 Workforce Investment Act eligible youth from the Yukon Kuskokwim Delta and other nearby regions. Nineteen youth will be in-school youth and nine youth will be out of school. The population served at BABS include students who are at risk because of but not limited to the following: have or at risk of dropping out of school, failing at school, pregnancy, substance abuse, criminal behavior, home issues, substance/alcohol abuse, suicidal ideations, depression, special ed. issues, students who are incarcerated in programs such as treatment or court	Linda Fife	Bethel	543-5610	\$90,000
<b>100,000</b>					

Kachemak Bay Campus - Kenai Peninsula College	The Youth Job Training Program provides year-round educational and job training services both individually and in group settings. Services are provided to out of school youth, neediest youth, and in school youth in the Homer area for up to 2 years followed by 1 year of follow up services. YTJP provides services and opportunities for youth that are lacking in the Homer area: first time job experience, job training for high school disabled students, support funding for economically disadvantaged students, case management and leadership services to assist "neediest", and pregnant/parenting or homeless youth with unique barriers, and support for basic academic, work maturity/readiness, and occupational skills training in a structured and supportive setting.	Carol Swartz	Homer	235-7743	\$100,000
Matanuska Susitna Borough School District	Uses a client based model providing education and training tailored to individual client needs. Focuses on academic skills (reading, writing, and math) to enable client to graduate from high school, obtain a GED, and/or prepare for entry and advancement in a chosen career field. Works closely with a network of partners and supporters to provide a broad range of education, training, and support services for academic, work readiness, and job skills. Includes all ten elements, to ensure client success.	Ray DePriest	Palmer	746-9238	\$200,000
Cook Inlet Tribal Council	Our program will develop opportunities through paid and unpaid internships, project-based learning opportunities, pre-apprenticeships and apprenticeship programs to engage youth early in career pipelines that meet Alaska's workforce needs. CITC has chosen to focus on Alaska Native youth ages 14-21, as eligible as defined under Title IB of the Workforce Investment Act (WIA). 70% of participants served will be Out-of-school youth.	MJ Longley Debbie Cruz	Anchorage	793-3266	\$100,000

McLaughlin Secondary School Anchorage School District	This is a collaborative project between McLaughlin School (ASD Alternative H.S.) and McLaughlin Youth Center (MYC). Adjudicated youth are involved in an integrated program that includes academic and vocational classes to address both basic and advanced skills that lead to a high school diploma or to pass the GED. Participants will take a class involving career development and employability skills and occupational training. The occupational training options will include hospitality, emergency health care, and information technology. Most of the occupational training will include paid work experience.	Mark Smedley	Anchorage	742-1153	\$68,866
Nine Star Enterprises, Inc.	Nine Star's Youth Education and Employment Services (YEES) program equips at-risk youth with improved academic skills, work readiness competencies, and job placement through innovative instructional techniques, computer technology, individual strategies, and demand-driven job placement. We prepare program participants to "Get a job! Keep a job! Advance on the job!"	Andi Nations	Anchorage	279-7827	\$450,300

AVTEC	<p>AVTEC proposes to develop and implement a statewide recruitment program that focuses on out of school and neediest youth. AVTEC will refine and develop the support services needed by this group, that will enable them to complete high quality, industry standards based training that will lead to high demand, high wage jobs. We have already identified barriers to program completion often unique to this group: needing GED or high school completion, insufficient math and reading skills to apply to technical training, immaturity in both work habits and independent living. We intend to offer a system of support services for these students that will insure they develop the basic skills, work habits, technical training and career education they need to obtain, and retain, high demand high wage employment in Alaska industries in construction, maritime, transportation, information technology, healthcare, education, culinary arts, and business and office technology. Services will include GED preparation, math and reading assistance at AVTEC and through distance delivery, peer tutoring and mentoring, recreational development and counseling.</p>	Micheley Hoeft	Seward	224-6112	\$150,000
State of AK - Alaska Military Youth Academy	<p>The Alaska Military Youth Academy (AMYA) provides basic secondary academic education, GED preparation, testing services, job-skills training, resume writing, interview skills, vocational assessment, placement and counseling and mentoring services to Alaskan youth who are out of school and have not completed a secondary education. Grant funding will not only let us continue current services, but will also permit us to enhance services (specifically skills training, mentoring and job preparation), increasing the rate of our placement of students into the workforce and/or continuing education.</p>	Shane Bannarbie	Fort Richardson	384-6330	\$150,000
<b>Southeast Communities</b>					

SERRC	The Juneau Youth Employment Services at SERRC (YESS!) will primarily serve out of school youth ages 16-21. Services include: basic skills education, GED preparation and testing, career education and planning, work readiness instruction, occupational skills training, career exploration and job development through paid and unpaid work experiences, placement and retention assistance, and follow up services to 20 WIA eligible youth. YESS! will prepare youth for transitions to work and/or further education.	Elizabeth Dahl	Juneau	586-5718	\$100,000
Sea Link, Inc.	To recruit statewide to place youth that are needy and that qualify into the Seafarers International Unions, Federally Certified Unlicensed Apprenticeship Training Program in Piney Point, MD to be trained to serve in the Merchant Seaman aboard deep ocean going commercial transport vessels both here in Alaska and abroad.	Ralph Mirsky	Ketchikan	247-5769	\$85,000
Employment Security Division , Department of Labor and Workforce Development	To provide comprehensive youth services in seven locations through the Alaska Job Center Network to include Anchorage, Matanuska-Susitna, Kenai, Nome Dillingham, Fairbanks and Ketchikan. Services include assessment, Individual Service Strategy development, career planning and counseling, pre-employment skills training, work readiness, and occupational skills training.	Ken Mill	Anchorage Mat-Su Nome Dillingham Fairbanks Kenai Ketchikan	465-5934	\$480,000
Office of Children's Services (OCS)	To provide comprehensive youth services to youth who are currently in the foster care system or alumni of the foster care system. OCS will utilize Covenant House to implement the model.	Jefty Prather	Anchorage	465-8659	\$39,776
Juvenile Justice	To provide comprehensive services to youth currently in or previously involved in the juvenile justice system. The program will utilize the Boys and Girls Club in Nome, the Johnson Youth Center and the Fairbanks Youth facility to provide services.	Barbara Murray	Statewide	465-2116	\$99,000