

**Federation of Community Councils
Manager's Report
September 17, 2008**

State Grants administered:

All grant reports are up to date. All grants excepting the Chugiak/Eagle River Consortium are being reported on a quarterly basis. We have shifted the Chugiak/Eagle River Consortium grant to monthly reporting status in order to facilitate quicker turnaround of grant monies.

New State grants included in this year's budget:

Five grants to Anchorage community patrols and councils were included in the FY2009 State of Alaska budget approved by the Governor this summer. We are awaiting the signed final grant documents.

2008 NUSA Conference:

We are preparing a bid for the 2011 NUSA (Neighborhoods USA) Annual Conference in Anchorage. If you approve us making the bid, then we will submit the bid by Saturday September 20th and then travel to Spokane in October to make the final pitch.

New part-time employee:

I have hired Betty Caudle to work as a part-time employee for the FCC. She is a very talented woman who is well qualified to assist the FCC with computer and office tasks. Welcome aboard Betty!

Email and USPS mailing list updates:

We have been updating the email and USPS mailing lists for each community council. We expect to be done within a month. At that point we will determine if we want to get some of the councils to switch to the Constant Contact emailing software. Betty has used the Constant Contact software at her other position.

FCC and Community Council website updates:

The FCC home page is completely up to date. I am working to get all of the community council websites updated as well. Please send me documents you wish to place on your website.

Community Patrol grant status:

Seven community patrols have grant funds available to use. I have had reports that some of their communication gear may need to be replaced in the near future.

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