

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

Community Patrol grant status:

Seven community patrols have grant funds available for their use. We are asking that each of the community patrols come up with a plan to use the grant funds available for their use.

State Grants administered:

All grant reports are up to date.

Public Safety Advisory Commission:

I've been appointed to the Anchorage Public Safety Advisory Commission by Mayor Begich. I hope that I will be able to more closely tie the community (through the community council system) to the work of this commission.

Housing and Neighborhoods Work Group:

I've also been appointed to sit on the Assembly's Housing and Neighborhoods Work Group. We've been tasked with coming up with ideas to propose to the Assembly. Most of the members of the work group are housing experts (I'm certainly not.) In January I'll be asking Council presidents for ideas.

Mailing Lists:

We have now updated the email and USPS mailing lists for 28 of the 38 community councils. We expect to be done in early January. At that point we will determine if we want to get some of the councils to switch to the Constant Contact emailing software. Betty Caudle, our new FCC employee, has used the Constant Contact software at her other work position.

FCC and Community Council website updates:

The FCC home page is 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.

Municipal Boards and Commissions:

There are many vacancies on Municipal Boards and Commissions. Please visit <http://www.muni.org/boards/> to review the roles of the Boards and Commissions and to get information about applying to serve on one.

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