

Neighbor to Neighbor

Weekly Newsletter

March 2, 2026



A Deeper Dive into Local Issues

Municipal Clerk

 FEDERATION OF
COMMUNITY COUNCILS

Upcoming Local Lens: Municipal Clerk

Monday, March 9 @ 6pm | Zoom

Join the Federation of Community Councils for a Local Lens deep dive into the Anchorage Municipal Clerk's Office.

Representatives will explain how the office manages Assembly meetings, conducts fair elections, and maintains vital legislative records. Following the presentation, there will be a dedicated Q&A session for the public to ask questions and learn more about our local governmental structures.

Register for our Zoom today!

Missed a previous episode? [Check out our YouTube](#) to watch previous deep dives into Neighborhood Resilience, Municipal Budgeting, AMATS, Waste to Energy, & more!

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Mayor Announces 2026 Grant Opportunities

Mayor Suzanne LaFrance encourages community members and interested organizations to apply for her 2026 grant programs, which include the Mayor's Arts Grants, the Beyond the Beige initiative, and the Mayor's Community Grants.

The application period for all programs opens March 2 and ends March 30.

To assist with questions about the 2026 grant requirements, priorities and process, the Mayor's Office will hold an online informational Q&A session via Teams on March 5th at 1 p.m.

Organizations and community members interested in applying for any of the three Mayor's grant programs may attend. To register for the Q&A, please RSVP by email to

mayorscommunitygrants@anchorageak.gov.

To apply for Beyond the Beige or the Mayor's Arts Grants, [click here](#).

To apply for the Mayor's Community Grants, [click here](#).



RESCHEDULED: Housing & Community Development Action Plan



Anchorage Health Department

The Annual Action Plan proposes how U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds will be used to meet the national objectives of decent affordable-housing, suitable living environments, and expanded economic opportunities for low-income households and neighborhoods.

Substantial Amendment #5 to the 2021 Action Plan allocates \$494,357.18 of CDBG funds and Substantial Amendment #1 to the 2025 Action Plan allocates \$197,968.00 of HOME funds to the housing repair and rehabilitation program.

A Public Hearing will be held as part of the monthly HHAND commission meeting on March 4, 2026 in room 423, Jewel Jones Conference Room, Anchorage Health Department, 825 L Street, Anchorage, starting at 4:00 PM. Written comments will also be accepted.

The draft Amendments and additional information are available at: <https://tinyurl.com/AHD-CSD>.

[Learn More](#)

APF Challenge Grants are Open!

Our flagship grantmaking program is now accepting applications from community organizations for grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$50,000 to lead projects benefiting parks, trails, outdoor recreation, and forest health in Anchorage. Projects must benefit public land



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and have meaningful community involvement. We especially encourage groups from Eagle River and Girdwood to apply.

Important dates:

- March 10 – 5:30 pm: Applicant Assistance Workshop (online)
- March 19 - 5:30 pm: Applicant Assistance Workshop (in person, Russian Jack Chalet)
- April 10 – 5:00 pm: Application deadline

[Apply Now](#)



Monday, March 2

- [Sand Lake](#), 6:30pm
- [Rogers Park](#), 7pm

Wednesday, March 4

- [Downtown](#), 5:30pm
- [Hillside](#), 6:30pm
- [Spenard](#), 7pm
- [UMed / Tudor](#), 7pm

Thursday, March 5

- [South Fork](#), 6:30pm
- [Turnagain](#), 6:30pm

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