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Ted Stevens

United States Senator for Alaska

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- Requests are due by February 15, 2008.

FISCAL YEAR 2009 PROJECT REQUEST FORM

Project Name: Rural Independent Living Outreach Project

Project Location: Statewide

Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):

The purpose of this project is to provide independent living demonstration activities in rural and remote areas of the state. We received an earmark in the 2005 budget and now 2008. The SILC will fund rural outreach projects that are jointly developed by Alaska's four Centers for Independent Living in cooperation with their rural partners. The first earmark has resulted in subcontracted activities in Dillingham, Bethel, Delta Junction, Barrow, Kodiak, Cordova, Valdez, Prince of Wales, and numerous other small communities. A

Related Appropriations Bill: Labor/HHS

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: \$300,000

Total funding to complete this project: \$300,000

Number of years to fund this project: 1

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: \$780,000 CIL

Matching funds from local and private entities:

CILs raised a total \$760,000 in private and local funds in FY07 which help support outreach efforts.

If this project was funded in prior appropriations bills (within the last five years), list each bill and the amount funded:

\$297,500 in 2005 and \$197,600 in 2008, both Labor/HHS Appropriations

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: \$0

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: \$780,000

 Check this box if state funding was sought but not provided.

List legislation that authorizes this project:

PL 102-569 Rehabilitation Act of 1975 as amended.

Check all that apply:

- A change in the current law is necessary in order to proceed with the project. (If so, attach language and a list of laws that need to be amended)
- Bill or report language is needed. (If so, attach requested language)

Detailed Project Justification - including an explanation of the essential government purpose of this funding request (include additional pages, if necessary):

Alaska's four Centers for Independent Living are assigned large and vast regions of responsibility in order to receive both federal and state funding. The amount of funding available is not enough for them to serve the rural and remote communities contained within their service regions (see map). The demand from rural communities continues to grow, including requests for home modifications so elders can age in place, or persons with disabilities can stay in their village and not have to be shipped to Anchorage or Fairbanks. CIL's also get numerous requests to help develop personal care assistant services, chore services, benefits analysis, and other long-term care services.