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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: YWCA Anchorage Youth Programs

Project Location: Anchorage, Alaska

**Project Description (please attach additional pages as required):**

Girls Circle and Boys Council – In Anchorage, 23 groups, serving nearly 200 youth, will be facilitated during lunch or after school based on a core model program implemented across the U.S. It is designed to give students K-12 a safe place to discuss issues free of ridicule and judgment. The groups teach youth resiliency, how to make healthy choices, and how to develop their full potential. Girls Circle nationally has been recognized as a "promising approach" in the Model Programs Guide of the U.S. Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention. Boys Council is a relatively new program developed by the same organization that developed the Girls Circle curriculum - we anticipate it will have similar results.

Activity Center Programs– Engaging and diverse classes that help students connect with youth from different cultures in the community and learn fun and exciting new things while having a positive place to go. Continued.....

**Related Appropriations Bill:**

Amount of federal funding requested for FY09: \$81,298

**Total** funding to complete this project: \$161,298

Number of years to fund this project: 1

Matching funds from the State of Alaska: 0

**Matching funds from local and private entities:**

Grant Income: \$50,000 Program income: \$2,000  
 Corporate Donations: \$28,000 Total Income: \$80,000

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

- \$248,375, 10/1/03 – 9/30/06, Department of Education, Fund for the Improvement of Education
- \$248,525, 10/1/04 – 6/30/08, Department of Education, Fund for the Improvement of Education

Amount included in the President's FY09 Budget: 0

Amount included in the State of Alaska FY09 Budget: 0

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

**List legislation that authorizes this project:**

Department of Justice, OJJDP program, PL 109-108  
 Dept. of Ed., Fund for the Improvement of Education

**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)

**Project Description Continued....****Girls Action Team** –

15 high school and college students are part of a leadership development and community engagement youth council. The girls also learn empathy, self confidence and respect for self and others by participating in the GAT and participants help staff determine the needs of the youth in the community and develop programs that meet those needs. The Girls Action Team will develop a mentoring component for youth as well as develop their leadership skills.

**TechGYRLS Program** – TechGYRLS is an innovative program to inspire girls to explore careers in science and math by learning about technology through the use of robotics and computer animation. Approximately 35 youth participate in this program.

**Multicultural Female Leadership Conference** – In partnership with the Anchorage School District, this event targets 250 seventh and eighth grade girls. The leadership conference is designed to empower girls of all races to discover their paths to the future, to build leadership skills and self-confidence and to encourage individual growth.

**Young Women and Young Men of Achievement Awards** - In an effort to inspire other students to overcome barriers in their lives and work to eliminate racism, this award program recognizes those accomplishments in young women and young men who are juniors in public and private Anchorage schools. They participate as youth leaders and mentors at the Middle School Conference. Approximately 20 youth will be honored.