

Community Innovations for Aging in Place

Project Summary

Grantee Organization: Mt. Sanford Tribal Consortium

State: Alaska

Project Title: Alaska Native Aging in Place Project

Project Period: September 30, 2009 to September 29, 2012

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Project Summary:

In collaboration with the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium, University of Alaska and regional community college, State Senior and Disability Services and regional providers this project proposes the development of an Aging in Place program in two rural villages that will serve as a model for developing similar programs in other villages in Alaska.

Goals and Objectives:

The goal of this three year demonstration project is to pilot an Aging in Place program in two rural Alaska Native villages to develop a cost effective, village based model that enables Native Elders to remain in their homes and villages during their remaining years of life. The objectives are: 1) Collaborate with strategic partners to develop a village based program, 2) Implement and evaluate services; 3) Disseminate process and outcome data and lessons learned to provide a model that can be adapted by other rural villages.

Outcomes and Products:

The expected outcome is that the documentation of the project will provide an informative model and be of assistance to other Tribes in developing village based programs. Products include reports detailing evaluations of client services, and program development activities and outcomes and; a website that disseminates information and assistance to benefit rural Tribes in developing village based programs.