

SUBJECT: KIDS ARE PEOPLE, INC.

REQUESTED BY: K. VanGorder, City Clerk

PREPARED BY: J. Newman, Deputy Clerk

DATE: September 17, 1999


FOR AGENDA OF: September 27, 1999

SUMMARY: The clerk's office has received the attached letter from Kids Are People, requesting a letter of support from the city for an Incentive Grant from Health and Social Services. We are requesting authorization from council before we proceed with this request.

FISCAL IMPACT: X No ___ Yes, amount requested: \$ _____ Fund: _____

CLERK'S RECOMMENDED ACTION: To direct the clerk to submit a letter of support on behalf of Kids Are People, Inc. for a State Incentive Grant to the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services.

Administration Initial: 

Presented to council on 9/27/99
Action taken: Approved Denied
other: _____
Verified by 

Attachments: Letter From Kids Are People, Inc.
Dated: August 30, 1999



Kids are People, Inc. Saxton Youth Shelter

Services for Youth

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August 30, 1999

Christie Van Gorder, City Clerk
290 E. Herning
Wasilla, AK 99654

Dear Ms. Van Gorder;

On October 15th, Kids Are People (KAP), will submit an application for a State Incentive Grant to the Alaska Department of Health and Social Services. The Division of Alcohol and Drug Abuse early intervention grant "Alaskans Collaborating for Teens" (ACT), will be applied borough-wide and in the cities of Palmer, Wasilla, and Houston. This ACT grant is targeted to multiple communities. The KAP application must show borough-wide community support.

This three year grant will fund the KAP In-School Student Support Groups (KAP Groups) and KAP Mediation programs. Using trained volunteers, KAP Family Mediation Program has provided adolescent-parent conflict resolution since 1996. Mediation will expand to include student-student and student-group mediation such as the successful "Skaters-Goths" mediation done at Colony High last spring. Services are based at the KAP office in Wasilla, in Mat-Su District schools and at the Saxton Youth Shelter in Palmer. They are provided at no cost to clients and without discrimination.

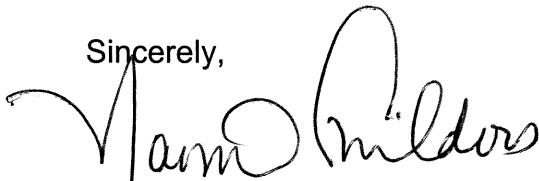
KAP is an United Way of Mat-Su member agency and receives funds from Life Quest, Alaska Division of Family and Youth Services and Division of Juvenile Justice for youth shelter, electronic monitoring and prevention programs.

To help assure that these funds are available for Valley teens and families, KAP respectfully requests a letter of support and cooperation by September 30th, stating that:

- KAP is recognized as an effective social service agency
- That the City/Borough supports the KAP Group and Mediation programs
- That the City/Borough departments including police and school are permitted cooperate with KAP
- That the City/Borough encourages Commissioner Karen Perdue to approve KAP's application and
- Any other supportive comments.

We greatly appreciate your support in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Naomi Childers". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial 'N'.

Naomi Childers
Administrative Assistant

cc: City Clerk