

Click Bishop

Commissioner

P.O. Box 111149

Juneau, AK 99811-1149

www.labor.alaska.gov



Beth Leschper

Communications Director

907.465.2700

cell: 907.723.1321

beth.leschper@alaska.gov

## Press Release

COMMISSIONER'S OFFICE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

No. 09-55

Oct. 2, 2009

For more information: Carrie Couey, Program Coordinator  
907-269-4551, [Carrie.Couey@Alaska.Gov](mailto:Carrie.Couey@Alaska.Gov)

### Labor Accepting Applications for Denali Training Fund Grants

JUNEAU, Alaska—The Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development's [Division of Business Partnerships](#) is accepting applications for Denali Training Fund grants.

The [Denali Training Fund](#) provides job training assistance to residents of communities where [Denali Commission](#) projects are planned or are underway.

The federally funded grants provide rural Alaska residents with the skills to work on the construction, operations and maintenance of Denali Commission and other public infrastructure projects.

“The goal is to provide residents with an opportunity to learn, and to earn an income, from a local project,” Business Partnerships Director Corine Geldhof said. “The Fund focuses its training resources on developing skills in construction, transportation, heavy equipment and healthcare.”

Funding is also available for non-Denali Commission infrastructure projects that lead each participant directly to employment. That may include management training, leadership and capacity building training.

Eligible entities are nonprofit or for profit organizations, businesses or government agencies that can provide or facilitate training. The funding is for organizations to conduct training; it is not directly available to individuals.

There is no minimum or maximum amount for applications. However, funding requests must be reasonable, practical and justifiable. Grant amounts can also be affected by available funding.

The Request for Grant Applications, Grant Application and Budget Summary forms can be downloaded from the State of Alaska Web site [Alaska.Gov](#). Choose *Notices*, click on *By Dept*, click on *Labor and Workforce Development*, then click on *Grants*.

Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 15.

###