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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 \$1.3 million in 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.

Any projects that will require annual training must include a description of how the training will be sustainable after the initial Denali Training Fund investment. Projects must demonstrate regional support, planning and coordination in the development of the training program.

A maximum amount of \$2,500 per participant will be allowed for non-Denali Commission funded infrastructure projects. Employers should make a financial investment in participant training. All applicants must assist participants with registration on ALEXsys, Alaska's Online Job Bank, after training is complete.

Applications, which are due by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 18, will be accepted through a web-based system known as EGrAMS. A tutorial showing a step-by-step process on how to use EGrAMS is available online at <http://Labor.Alaska.Gov/bp/egram/>. For more information email dbp.grants@alaska.gov with “Denali” in the subject line.

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