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JOHN J. WILLIAMS
MAYOR

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ron Long, Assembly President
Members of the Kenai Peninsula Borough Assembly

FROM: Bonnie L. Golden, Grants Manager *bg*

COPY: Cathey Wallace, Financial Planning Manager

DATE: June 27, 2006

SUBJECT: Report from Borough Grant Recipients

Recipients of Borough grants are required to file year-end reports. The reports include a financial report as well as an activity report. Reports are not due until July 30th. However, I have received the final report from the Arctic Winter Games 2006 Host Society and from CARTS. A copy of both reports is attached.



KPB GRANT ACTIVITY REPORT

May 2006

In March the games were finally here. After years of planning and preparation the arrival of the various contingents to our community transformed it into a sporting and cultural mecca focused on the participants. As the planes landed, the buses ran and the kids walked it was obvious that the peninsula was in for quite an experience.

With 20 different sporting events, as well as a variety of cultural performances throughout the week the peninsula was alive with the Spirit of the Arctic Winter Games. The participants were housed and fed in three Villages, centered around Skyview, Soldotna and Kenai Central high schools. Many different schools served as venues for the various events and activities. Other venues outside of the school buildings included: the Homer Ice Rink, Kenai National Wildlife Refuge snowshoe trials, Kenai Rec Center and Kenai Multipurpose Facility. The Soldotna Sports Center served as the "stage" for Opening and Closing ceremonies, as well as sporting events throughout the week. Opening ceremonies was televised live on KTUU, the local NBC affiliate out of Anchorage, for those unable to attend the experience. KTUU and the Canadian Broadcasting Company (CBC) provided a window to the Games and the Kenai Peninsula with their continued media coverage throughout the week. Local newspaper and radio spots highlighted many of the AWG activities during the week.

The true strength behind the Arctic Winter Games, the volunteers, was evident in every aspect of the event. The community members who gave of themselves to be volunteers made these games the "best Arctic Winter Games Ever." Over 2700 men, women and youth answered the call to help with everything from setting up and taking down 1000 bunk beds, welcoming the participants as they arrived in Kenai, food service, sports officiating, security, ticket taking, merchandise selling and just about everything in between. The volunteers were easily recognized in their colorful volunteer wear, which became some of the hottest trading items along side pins as pin trading, an unofficial Arctic Winter Games event, was ongoing wherever one went.

Grant Expenses
Kenai Peninsula Borough
Fiscal Year 2005/2006
Grant Total \$ 100,000.00

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
3/12/2006	Kenai Merit Inn	\$ 6,686.00
3/13/2006	Kenai River Lodge	\$ 4,227.43
3/14/2006	Diamond M Ranch	\$ 9,558.00
3/15/2006	Uptown Motel	\$ 12,388.57
3/15/2006	Kenai Kings Inn	\$ 17,140.00
	TOTAL	\$ 50,000.00

CARTS *Get a Ride!*

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May 18, 2006

Bonnie Golden, Grants Administrator
John Williams, Borough Mayor
Assembly Members
Kenai Peninsula Borough
144 N. Binkley St.
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RE: Borough Grant to CARTS

Dear Ms. Golden,

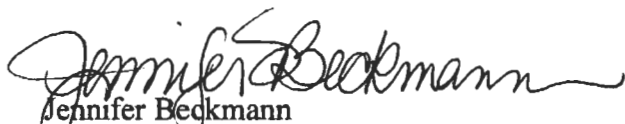
Enclosed is the documentation and final progress report for the above named grant.

The first quarter of 2006 continued to be busy for CARTS! We delivered 17,473 rides. Overall, we have delivered 239,514 rides!

I have included our FY05 audit reports.

If you have any questions please give me a call. We appreciate the continued support from the Borough.

Sincerely,


Jennifer Beckmann
Executive Director

MAYOR'S REPORT

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Central Area Rural Transit System, Inc. (CARTS)
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2005

CARTS had another outstanding year! All together we delivered **69,857** rides in 2005, a 32% increase over the number of rides delivered in 2004. We have already delivered over 24,000 rides in 2006.

Over 26% of CARTS rides are people traveling back and forth to work. Many parents also drop their children at daycare on the way. 17% are traveling back & forth to school; 37% of our riders are paying for their own rides, while 25% are elderly and disabled. CARTS has made it possible for people to have reliable, affordable transportation that was not available before! We have many clients who are now able to become active members of the community because they can get a ride! The availability of transit service also increases the self-sufficiency of elderly and disabled persons that are unable to drive, allowing them to live independently.

Our continuing work to coordinate with other area agencies is bearing fruit, and the numbers keep growing. These agreements with local agencies to provide transportation for their clientele have helped to increase our revenues, while furthering our mission to coordinate transit throughout the community.

To date, we have paid out over **\$1,463,350.00** to local non-profit and for profit companies who by contract deliver rides for us. In addition, CARTS paid **\$91,846.00** to local companies for goods and services during 2005. Public transit is a valuable industry for our community!

CARTS is for everyone!
Ride With Us. We're Driving People Happy!
262-8900

Central Area Rural Transit System, Inc.
Income Statement
For the Twelve Months Ending June 30, 2006

	<u>Current Month</u>
Revenues	
Revenue BORO06	<u>30,000.00</u>
Total Revenues	<u>30,000.00</u>
Expenses	
Vehicle Expense BORO06	26,959.00
Provider Rides Expense BORO 06	2,891.00
Dues & Memberships BORO 06	<u>150.00</u>
Total Expenses	<u>30,000.00</u>