

# Northwest Arctic Borough Economic Development Commission

## 1999 Examples of Accomplishments

- Established Small Business Grant Program and awarded grants to 5 small business entrepreneurs.
- Designated as a Champion Community through the Empowerment Zone application process.
- Was awarded Community Development Block Grant to design a clinic in our region.
- Provided matching grants for a Foam Panel Manufacturer, Value Added Processor and a Burnbox Construction Project.

## 3 Top Economic/Business Needs

- Tourism expansion.
- Fisheries development.
- Technology-based businesses.

## 2000 Goals

- Establish a tourism marketing council.
- Provide grant writing training to City and IRA governments.
- Establish a youth loan program.
- Organize and hold an "Arctic Business Gathering" conference.

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If this ARDOR had more resources- the ARDOR would address some of the more costly infrastructure needs (such as water and sewer, better or new roads) that are required to develop and maintain a new business, tourism, or industry.

## FY 2000 Budget

\$47,692	State ARDOR grant
60,000	Locally generated match
0	Other funds generated or leveraged by the ARDOR (may include State funds).
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\$107,692	Total (The State ARDOR grant funds 44% of the total.)

