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AND UNALASKA (EX OFFICIO)



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Cover Photo: Sherman McNeley of Nelson Lagoon attended the Alaska Food Policy Council's Food and Farm Festival as the first recipient of the Justine Gundersen Leadership Development Grant. This program offers financial support to residents who are engaging in leadership training, conferences and other traditional and non-traditional learning opportunities that do not fit within APICDA's current scholarship program offerings. Sherman is Nelson Lagoon's Greenhouse Operator.

ABOUT THIS PUBLICATION

The APICDA Program Guide is your go-to resource, offering in-depth details, key contacts, and important deadlines to guide you through the wide-range of opportunities available through APICDA for residents and local governing entities.

Logo Key



Throughout this publication, the APICDA logo serves as an identifier of APICDA Programs available to local entities of APICDA member communities.



NEW APICDA PROGRAMS 4U LOGO

The Programs 4U logo serves as a quick visual identifier of APICDA Programs designed for individual applicants. When you see this logo, know that this is a program opportunity for you.



This Program Guide is an overview of APICDA's programs. For full details about APICDA Programs, scan the QR code to visit APICDA's website.



Aleutian sunset in Unalaska.
Photo by LeeAnn Alvarado.



ABOUT APICDA

The Aleutian Pribilof Island Community Development Association (APICDA) is a non-profit dedicated to strengthening local fisheries-based economies by increasing direct fisheries participation in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands, building support infrastructure and offering programs to assist the advancement of priority initiatives in its six member communities in the Aleutian-Pribilof region of Alaska.

APICDA is one of six Western Alaska Community Development Quota (CDQ) groups. The CDQ program allocates a percentage of all Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands quotas for ground fish, halibut, and crab to eligible CDQ groups that represent 65 villages in Alaska. APICDA and its subsidiary companies generate profits through the management of the quotas and uses proceeds to achieve its purpose of sustaining the communities of Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, and St. George.





FISHERIES PROGRAMS



RESIDENT FISHERIES ACCESS PROGRAM

The Resident Fisheries Access Program (RFAP) aids residents of the APICDA communities in pursuing opportunities within the commercial fishing industry. As a CDQ Group, APICDA strategically supports local fisheries through diverse programs that:

1. Provide residents with access to commercial fisheries in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands.
2. Create or enhance job opportunities in the Aleutian-Pribilof Region.
3. Build business diversity in the APICDA communities and reduce barriers for resident commercial fishermen.

Programs offered under the Resident Fisheries Access Program include:

- [IFQ Loan Program](#)
- [Atka Halibut Fishery](#)
- [St. George Revolving Loan Program](#)
- [St. George Tendering Program](#)
- Fisheries Employment (see Workforce Development section)
- [Gear Reimbursement Grant \(GRG\)](#)
- [Vessel Down Payment Support \(see GRG\)](#)



APICDA sponsored fishermen from Atka, Nelson Lagoon, False Pass, and St. George to participate in the 2023 Alaska Young Fishermen's Summit (AYFS) through the APICDA's scholarship program. The AYFS provides training, information, and networking opportunities for commercial fishermen early in their careers. AYFS participants pictured L to R: Calum Hoblet, Regan Hoblet, Hertha Kashevarof, Tyler Livingston, Trevor Edwards, Shannon Johnson, and Sherman McNeley, not pictured are Michael Swinney and Felicia Johnson.



FISHERMEN'S ASSOCIATION GRANT

APICDA allocates grant funds for the Fishermen Associations in our member communities to support fishing priorities at the local level to increase participation in the commercial fishing industry.

Award amounts are determined by the APICDA Board of Directors and have been \$20,000 annually. The funds are used at the discretion of the associations; awards have been used for a variety of projects including funding salmon stream surveys and to start revolving loan funds.

The grant is initiated during the first quarter of each year by APICDA staff sending correspondence to the President of the local association with an outline of the requirements of the program and funding information.

Application Deadline: December 31st	Apply by emailing APICDA Administration	For more information contact:
Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski and St. George, Unalaska	Eligible Applicants: Local Fishermen's Association	APICDA Administration Email: info@apicda.com



Photo submitted by commercial fishermen Calum Hoblet of False Pass.



IFQ LOAN PROGRAM

Aligned with the Resident Fisheries Access Program (RFAP), APICDA offers a loan program to support community residents seeking funding to develop their commercial fishing business with the purchase of halibut or sablefish individual fishing quota (IFQ). APICDA has historically supported IFQ purchases and is pleased to introduce a more formalized and structured program. Providing an opportunity for community members to participate and invest in fisheries in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Management Area is fundamental to the CDQ mission.

Each loan process is unique to the borrower and requires the interested borrower to contact APICDA directly for an intake phone call to determine if the applicant is a good fit for the program.

Application Deadline:

December 15

For more information and for loan requirements contact:

Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George, and Unalaska

APICDA Programs
Email: programs@apicda.com

Phone: 1-888-827-4234



ATKA HALIBUT FISHERY

APICDA aids in the coordination of a walk-on program for resident fishermen to aid them in fully harvesting their individual quota shares and to generate income from their halibut fishery. Currently, this program provides important fisheries access for our local fishermen in Atka by partnering with an area 4B harvester and helping to find a market for their halibut, while largely diminishing traditional lease fees which increases earnings for our local fishermen.

Application Deadline:

April 1

[Apply by emailing APICDA Operations](#)

For more information contact:

Eligibility: Atka

Eligible Applicants:

Full time residents of Atka who own 4B halibut IFQ

APICDA Operations
Email: ops@apicda.com



ST. GEORGE REVOLVING LOAN PROGRAM

The Fishermen’s Revolving Loan Program offers resident fishermen harvesting CDQ quota in St. George the ability to charge fishing related gear and equipment in advance of the upcoming commercial fishing season. The ability to obtain gear before the start of the season allows fishermen the time to prepare without losing fishing days during the season. This program is currently offered to resident fishermen in St. George.

Application Deadline: April 1	Apply by emailing APICDA Operations	For more information contact:
Eligibility: St. George	Eligible Applicants: Resident St. George Fishermen	APICDA Operations Email: ops@apicda.com



ST. GEORGE TENDERING PROGRAM

St. George has a very strong historical dependency on the halibut fishery. APICDA provides essential operational and quota management support for resident fishermen in St. George by operating a tendering and lightering service from our AVI vessel to bring their halibut to market.

The local halibut program has provided important income and allowed residents to leverage earnings from CDQ shares to purchase additional IFQ shares.

Eligibility: St. George	Eligible Applicants: Resident St. George Fishermen	For more information contact: APICDA Operations Email: ops@apicda.com
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GEAR REIMBURSEMENT GRANT

The [Gear Reimbursement Grant \(GRG\)](#) helps residents of APICDA CDQ member communities who participate in commercial fisheries and subsistence harvesting activities. The goal of the program is to aid residents in obtaining new and efficient gear to maximize their harvest efforts by providing financial assistance in the form of reimbursement for a portion of the incurred costs.

Beginning in 2024, through the Resident Fisheries Access Program (RFAP), the GRG offers vessel down payment assistance to residents of APICDA CDQ member communities. Contact APICDA's office for more information about this program and to pre-qualify.



Examples of Items Approved for Reimbursement:

- Fishing Related Items, i.e. fuel used for commercial fishing or subsistence, bait, gear, personal protective gear, safety equipment, navigational aids, vessel and gear storage, travel lift fees, parts for repairs, replacement or maintenance to vessels, equipment or machinery, and ancillary items used to increase efficiencies while commercial fishing or subsistence harvesting.
- Vessel, skiff or ATV purchase, vessel dry dock repair or maintenance, filters, oil, replacement parts, and moorage.
- Materials for preserving subsistence harvested wild game or seafood, i.e. smokehouse or game shed, freezer, vacuum machine, canning jars.
- Shipping costs associated with approved gear from vendor to resident.

Items Not Eligible for Reimbursement: Vessel transport expenses, taxes, permits, quota, fines, insurance, loan payments, food, firearms, or ammunition.

Application Period: March 1 - December 1	Apply on APICDA's website	For more information contact: Sean Hislop Email: grg@apicda.com Phone: 1-888-927-4232
Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George	Eligible Applicants: APICDA Resident Commercial Fishermen and Subsistence Harvesters	

EDUCATION & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

At APICDA, our board of directors and management prioritize investing in APICDA's residents through education and workforce development. As a key component for economic growth and development, our education and workforce development programs provide opportunities to advance education, training, and career development to help strengthen the region and support healthy, sustainable communities.



Ariel Go, Jr. of Unalaska, APICDA Intern at the Qawalangin Tribe of Unalaska and recipient of the Emil Berikoff, Sr. Memorial Scholarship and the Haginaa Kidul (*Helping to Grow*) College Scholarship.


New in 2024: The Justine Gundersen Leadership Development Grant is available to support emerging leaders who are engaging in leadership development, mentoring partnerships, civic engagement, conferences, and other traditional and non-traditional learning opportunities that do not fit within our scholarship programs.



Shayla Shaishnikoff (pictured to the right), Qawalangin Tribe's Resilience Project Manager and former APICDA intern, collecting mussels in Unalaska. The Tribe is examining the relationship between algae in the water and PST levels in mussels.

APICDA's collaborative efforts have resulted in the placement of 24 interns over the years within the Qawalangin Tribe, a testament to the enduring impact of this partnership. Moreover, APICDA has invested close to \$90,000 in wages and payroll taxes while supporting the tribe's interns, reflecting our shared commitment to fostering individual growth while ensuring economic benefits for the community of Unalaska.



COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS



EMIL BERIKOFF, SR. MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



This program is named in honor of the late Emil Berikoff, Sr. of Unalaska, who served on the APICDA Board for 15 years before passing away in 2011. His contributions as a trusted board member and to the region were invaluable.

The purpose of the [Emil Berikoff, Sr. Memorial Scholarship \(EBMS\)](#) program is to provide scholarship awards to current APICDA community residents and former residents who demonstrate a tie to an APICDA community.

Scholarship Requirements:

- Be a current resident of an APICDA community or a former resident with a tie to an APICDA community.
- Enrolling at an accredited college or university.
- Enrolling in a minimum of 6 credits per semester or 4 credits per quarter.
- Maintain a minimum 2.0 GPA for each term funded.
- Applicants must demonstrate financial need.
- Submit a complete application packet by 5:00 p.m. AKST on one of the published deadlines below.

Application Deadlines:

- **July 1** - School Year
- **November 15** - Winter/Spring
- **April 1** - Summer

[Apply on APICDA's website](#)

For more information contact:

APICDA Programs
Email: education@apicda.com

Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George, and Unalaska

Eligible Applicants:
See "Scholarship Requirements" above



GPA SCHOLARSHIP

The GPA Scholarship provides EBMS recipients with the opportunity to secure an additional scholarship by achieving outstanding academic grades. EBMS recipients who earn a 3.5 GPA or higher for the term are eligible to receive the GPA Scholarship based on the following schedule:

- 3.5-3.74 GPA: \$750/term, up to \$1,500 school year
- 3.75-3.99 GPA: \$1,000 term, up to \$2,000 per school year
- 4.00 GPA: \$1,250/term, up to \$2,500 per school year

There is no application for this scholarship.



New in 2024: The GPA Scholarship is open to both full-time and part-time scholarship recipients.



WORK INVEST NOW SCHOLARSHIP

Residents who engage in APICDA's employment opportunities have the chance to gain extra scholarship funds for their education through the Work Invest Now (WIN) Scholarship.

EBMS recipients who work for APICDA or its subsidiary companies, or those who intern with APICDA's internship program are eligible for this \$2,500 scholarship.

Residents ages 14-18 who participate in the youth internship program are eligible to bank \$1,000 each year, up to \$4,000 total, to be awarded during their first year of college or vocational training school.

There is no application for this scholarship.





HAGINAA KIDUL (HELPING TO GROW) COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

APICDA and its board of directors recognize the interconnectedness of students, families and communities within the Aleutian-Pribilof region. We believe that expanding access to education and training offerings beyond CDQ member communities will help increase opportunities for networking, collaboration and information sharing, and in turn will help grow and strengthen our regional economy.

The APICDA Board of Directors establishes the number of [Haginaa Kidul scholarships](#) available for award each year. This is a competitive scholarship awarded in the amount of \$2,000 per school year. *Applicants who qualify for the EMBS may also apply.

Application Deadline:
June 1st by 5:00 PM AKST

[Apply on APICDA's website](#)

Eligibility: Residents from the APICDA Communities of Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George and the Aleutian region communities of Adak, Cold Bay, King Cove, Sand Point, and Unalaska

Eligible Applicants: Full-time students enrolled in an undergraduate degree program

For more information contact:
APICDA Programs
Email: education@apicda.com

Recent APICDA College Scholarship Graduates



Left: Angela Mountain of Unalaska received her Bachelor's degree in Kinesiology in August 2023 from Washington State University.

Left middle: Trevor Wilson of Unalaska graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Rocky Mountain College in summer 2023.

Right middle: Kalista Decker of Unalaska graduated from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University with a Bachelor's degree in Air Traffic Management in summer 2023.

Right: Hailey Wilson of Unalaska and Dr. Robert Wilmouth at Rocky Mountain College graduation ceremony. Hailey graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education in December 2023.

VOCATIONAL TRAINING SCHOLARSHIPS



CAREER & TECHNICAL TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP



The [Career and Technical Training \(CTT\) Scholarship](#), formerly known as the Supplemental Education Scholarship, provides vocational training and career development scholarships to or for the benefit of APICDA residents.

This scholarship aids residents of the APICDA region in their educational pursuits, supporting them to undertake vocational training or professional development to advance their careers. APICDA utilizes this fund to strengthen economic growth crucial for sustaining our communities.

Scholarship Requirements:

- Be a current resident with intent to remain indefinitely, or a former resident currently employed by a local regional entity whose training will directly benefit the region, or a past resident whose training will assist them in securing a job in an APICDA community.
- Proof of enrollment in a vocational training program or career development program.
- Submit an application no later than 10 business days prior to payment due date.

Scholarships are awarded for any amount up to \$4,000 per calendar year, based on applicants' financial need.

Application Deadline: Rolling deadline based on available funding	Apply on APICDA's website	For more information contact: APICDA Programs Email: education@apicda.com
Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George, and Unalaska	Eligible Applicants: See "Scholarship Requirement" above	

Did you know? APICDA hosts in-region training events by request. Employers may contact APICDA directly regarding training needs and to explore program availability. If you have projects that require employee certification, contact APICDA in advance to address your training requirements.





HAGINAA KIDUL (HELPING TO GROW) VOCATIONAL TRAINING SCHOLARSHIP

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Application Deadline: Rolling deadline based on available funding

[Apply on APICDA's website](#)

Eligibility: Residents from the APICDA Communities of Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George and the Aleutian region communities of Adak, Cold Bay, King Cove, Sand Point, Unalaska

Eligible Applicants: Residents attending an accredited vocational training institution or pursuing vocational training certification

For more information contact:
APICDA Programs
Email: education@apicda.com



False Pass residents, Shane Hoblet, Jolene Hoblet, and Michelle Matthew attending Northern Industrial Training (NIT) heavy equipment training in their community.





JUSTINE GUNDERSEN LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT GRANT

APICDA’s Board of Directors recognizes that leadership development comes in many different forms and this grant provides a funding resource to create access for participation in events such as conferences, trainings, or developing mentor/protege partnerships to explore the pathways to grow into a community leader.

The [Justine Gundersen Leadership Development Grant](#) supports new and emerging leaders seeking to develop their leadership skills, engage in civic activities, and support succession planning. Applicants may apply for financial support to cover the cost of airfare, hotel, per diem, and registration fees up to \$2,000 per event.

Application Deadline: Rolling deadline based on available funding

[Apply on APICDA’s website](#)

Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George and Unalaska

Eligible Applicants: Community residents age 14 and older, pursuing leadership training opportunities.

For more information contact:
APICDA Programs
Email: education@apicda.com



Justine Gundersen, founding board member from Nelson Lagoon, years of service 1992-2023



Sherman McNeley of Nelson Lagoon is the community’s Greenhouse Operator and the first person to receive the Justine Gundersen Leadership Development Grant to attend the Alaska Food Policy’s Council Food and Farm Festival.



INTERNSHIP PROGRAM



APICDA is committed to fostering workforce development opportunities through its many internship and educational offerings. APICDA's internship program serves as a bridge towards education, employment, and community engagement. Several internships have resulted in full-time employment opportunities at APICDA and with partner organizations.

Three types of internships are available within APICDA, its subsidiaries, partnerships and other organizations affiliated with the region:

- **College Internship** - For residents who are entering or enrolled in college. College interns who successfully complete their internship become eligible for the WIN Scholarship (see page 13).
- **Youth Internship** - For resident youth ages 14-18. Youth interns who successfully complete their internship become eligible for the WIN Scholarship (see page 13).
- **Employment Internship** - This program offers employment opportunities to adult APICDA community residents who are interested in gaining valuable work experience. This program can be a great tool for local community businesses looking to introduce residents to available jobs while receiving financial support from APICDA for intern wages and employer payroll tax liabilities.



Alleri Tungul of Unalaska completed a summer college internship as the APICDA Programs Intern.

Business Partnerships: APICDA partners with local organizations and entities that directly serve the Aleutian-Pribilof region to offer internship opportunities for residents. By partnering with APICDA, hiring organizations can receive wage and employer payroll tax support from APICDA, introduce residents to your organization while filling employment gaps, and create meaningful employment opportunities for community residents.

Through partnership, APICDA offers the following to hiring organizations supporting an intern:

- Advertisement and recruiting assistance
- Wage matching and payroll tax reimbursement
- Helping interns qualify for APICDA scholarships

Application Deadline:

- College Internship - March 15
- Youth Internship - March 15
- Employment Internship - Open year-round

Residents interested in applying for an internship may apply on APICDA’s website. **Organizations** interested in placing an intern contact APICDA direct.

For more information contact:

APICDA Programs
 Email: education@apicda.com

Eligibility - Residents of Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George, and Unalaska, or qualified EBMS recipients.

Eligible Applicants: **Residents** and/or EBMS recipients. **Organizations** that serve APICDA communities in the Aleutian-Pribilof region.



The City of False Pass partnered with APICDA to employ intern Jeremiah Balamoutoff as a Public Works Laborer through an employment internship.



SCHOOL GRANT PROGRAM

The [School Grant](#) is offered to support our schools and to be used in any manner that will encourage and foster the education of students with regard to the fisheries located adjacent to our shores. The funds may be directed toward fishery conservation or management education, development of vocational programs, special projects, or any educational activity that enhances the awareness of students regarding the fishing industry. Each year APICDA offers a school grant in the amount of \$12,000 to a public school in each CDQ community and Unalaska.

Application Period:
September 1 - November 30

[Application guidelines for written proposal on website](#)

Grant Close-Out Deadline:
August 31
Close-out form on website

Eligible Communities:
Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George, and Unalaska

For more information contact:
APICDA Programs
Email: education@apicda.com



Students from St. George and St. Paul Islands playing Fish Food Chain Tag game, one of many school grant funded educational activities.



COMMUNITY LIAISON OFFICER PROGRAM

Each APICDA member community has a [Community Liaison Officer \(CLO\)](#), who is your local contact for information about APICDA. Contact your CLO for information about APICDA programs and to learn about current events and training opportunities. Your CLO can assist you with the following:

- Employment openings with APICDA and our fishing partners
- College Scholarship applications and information
- Vocational Training Scholarship applications and information
- Enrollment in local training sponsored by APICDA
- Internship applications and information
- School Grant information and assistance with applications
- APICDA Miscellaneous Grant
- APICDA Fishermen's Association Grant
- APICDA-sponsored community activities

Listed below are the current CLOs for APICDA communities.

Akutan - April Pelkey, Email: akutanflo@apicda.com

Atka - Oleana Matamata, Email: atkaflo@apicda.com

False Pass - Melanie Hoblet, Email: falsepassflo@apicda.com

Nelson Lagoon - Katie Johnson, Email: nelsonlagoonflo@apicda.com

Nikolski - Lorraine DeLeon, Email: nikolskiflo@apicda.com

St. George - Sarah Mercurief, Email: stgeorgeflo@apicda.com

Unalaska - Carlin Enlow, Email: unalaskaflo@apicda.com



L to R Top Row: APICDA CLO's - Carlin Enlow, Katie Johnson, Lorraine DeLeon, Melanie Hoblet, Sarah Mercurief.
L to R Bottom Row: APICDA Program Staff - Chantae Kochuten, Tina Anton, Laura Delgado, and Celeste Kukahiko.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS

Our community development programs provide a resource to APICDA CDQ member communities of direct financial support and assists with leveraging additional funding for priority initiatives. Each APICDA community has developed a Community Development Plan (CDP) identifying goals for the community. This program assists communities in accomplishing their community development goals.



The Akutan Corporation received a CDGP award of \$150,000 to remodel its Salmonberry Inn. The goal of this project was to renovate the vacant building to create four separate living units to accommodate long-term, low-income renters seeking housing in Akutan. The project helps serve an important need in Akutan, where living spaces are at a short supply, and will provide four families with an affordable, high-quality housing option.

The Native Village of Atka received a CDGP award of \$250,000 to support community housing repairs.

Sarah and Arnold Golodoff (pictured right), residents of Atka, received essential safety repairs for their home, as part of this grant award.

The renovations focused on ensuring accessibility and safety. By leveraging CDGP funding, the tribe successfully remodeled the Golodoff's residence, enabling them to continue living in their community while comfortably aging in place. Photo by Oleana Matamata.





COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM

The [Community Development Grant Program \(CDGP\)](#) provides direct financial assistance to support priority initiatives identified by local leadership in the Community Development Plans* (CDP) of APICDA CDQ member communities. Grant funds are available to leverage other funding sources and can be used directly to create jobs, promote economic development, and support essential needs in each community. The grant amount is determined yearly by APICDA’s Board of Directors.

The city, village corporation, and tribe are each eligible to apply for funding to pursue projects listed on their CDP, and are requested to coordinate and seek concurrence with one another as part of the application process to ensure that the funded project will have community-wide benefits.

*Contact APICDA Programs (see below) to learn about your community’s CDP.

Projects must be listed on the CDP and meet one or more of the requirements below:

- Provide in-region employment
- Aid in the reduction of poverty
- Provide economic and social benefits for community residents
- Aid in creating a sustainable and diversified local economy
- Benefit the fishing industry directly or indirectly
- Benefit all community residents

Application Period:

January 1 - October 1, by 5:00PM AKST

[Apply on APICDA’s website](#)

For more information contact:

APICDA Programs
Email: programs@apicda.com
Phone: 1-888-927-4232

Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, and St. George

Eligible Applicants: City, Village Corporation & Tribe

 The CDGP began in 2019 and in 5 years has awarded \$9.5 million dollars for 59 community development projects in APICDA CDQ communities. From the Atka Health Clinic to the Nelson Lagoon Rural Power System Upgrade Project, the CDGP continues to be a successful and popular resource.





APICDA INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT

APICDA supports our CDQ member communities by focusing on economic development, programs for individual residents and governing entities to achieve sustainable and diverse local economies, the alleviation of poverty, and providing meaningful social benefits. The [APICDA Infrastructure Grant \(AIG\)](#) provides financial assistance for infrastructure development in communities where development in the region is costly and a logistical challenge.

This grant assists communities by providing a funding source to help leverage grant funds from state, federal or private funders for community-initiated infrastructure development projects. Applicants must solicit and obtain majority funding (50% or more) for the project from other non-APICDA sources. Applications must be for infrastructure development defined as structures and/or facilities for development or repair/replacement of roads, water, power, wastewater, harbors, docks, or community/municipal buildings (i.e., clinics, community centers, warehouses, shops, etc.). Grants are approved by the APICDA Board of Directors and awarded once per calendar year.

Application Deadline:

January 1 - September 30

[Apply on APICDA's website](#)

For more information contact:

Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, and St. George

Eligible Applicants:
Local Government Entity

APICDA Programs
Email: programs@apicda.com
Phone: 1-888-927-4232



Pictured above: St. George Harbor area.

The City of St. George was awarded \$790,000 for the preconstruction and engineering phase of the St. George Harbor Improvement Project for the required ten percent non-federal match to be disbursed over a three-year period.





COMMUNITY DIVIDEND

The [APICDA Community Dividend](#) is offered annually to support critical municipal and tribal functions in our CDQ member communities. This flexible funding source is discretionary and can be applied to current community priorities.

Each community is required to apply by March 15th and funds are disbursed in April.

Application Deadline: March 15	Apply on APICDA's website	For more information contact: APICDA Programs Email: programs@apicda.com
Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski and St. George	Eligible Applicants: Local Government Entity	



MISCELLANEOUS GRANT

The [Miscellaneous Grant](#) supports cultural and other enrichment activities at the community-wide level. This discretionary grant can be used to fund meaningful projects that don't fit within the scope of APICDA's established programs.

The miscellaneous grant funds up to \$5,000 per community and can be granted in installments throughout the year. Grant requests are received on a rolling basis and are accepted once they receive recommendations from the local APICDA Community Liaison Officer and the APICDA Board Member. Requests should provide a project outline and date when funding is needed.

Application Period: January 1 -December 1	Apply by emailing APICDA Administration	For more information contact: APICDA Administration Email: info@apicda.com
Eligibility: Akutan, Atka, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, St. George, and Unalaska	Eligible Applicants: City, Corporation, Tribe, School, Local Fishermen's Association	



ALEUTIAN MARKETPLACE



The [Aleutian Marketplace](#) supports small business growth in the region by working with community members, small business owners, entrepreneurs, and creative people throughout the Aleutian-Pribilof region to explore business concepts, talk about the nuts-and-bolts of entrepreneurship to develop the regional economy. The Aleutian Marketplace provides micro grants up to \$3,000 that may be used for a wide selection of items that are essential to start or assist an established business.*

The Aleutian Marketplace is sponsored by APICDA, The Aleut Corporation (TAC), Wells Fargo and Fastwyre Broadband.

*The micro grant is funded on an annual basis based on available funds from donors and their funding parameters.

Application Deadline: March 15	Apply on APICDA's website	
Eligibility: Adak, Akutan, Atka, Cold Bay, King Cove, False Pass, Nelson Lagoon, Nikolski, Sand Point, St. George, St. Paul and Unalaska	Eligible Applicants: Current residents of the Aleutian-Pribilof communities	For more information contact: APICDA Communications Ellen Krsnak Email: marketplace@apicda.com



Seventeen regional businesses have received a total of \$60,000 during the launch of this program.



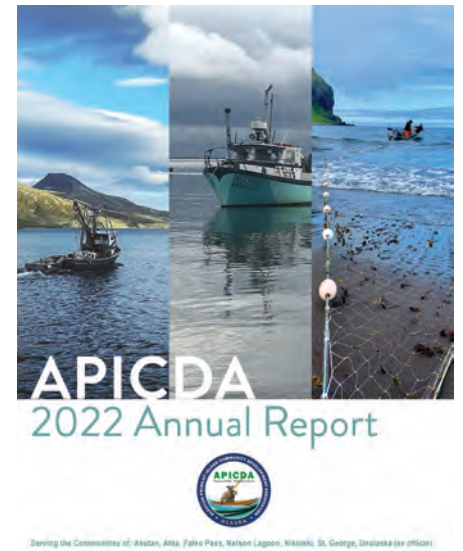
ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

DONATION REQUESTS

APICDA supports philanthropic initiatives and programs that are strategically aligned with our mission. We evaluate requests monthly using a criterion primarily focused on social and economic development in our member communities. If you have a need in your community that cannot be fulfilled by one of APICDA's established programs, you can contact APICDA to request a donation. Before sending a donation request letter, please email info@apicda.com to find out if there are available funds through the Miscellaneous Grant program.

APICDA PHOTO CONTEST

APICDA hosts two photo contests to capture images that represent everyday life in our communities, the beautiful region, Indigenous culture and the fishing industry. Photos featured in APICDA's calendar, Christmas card, and publication covers will earn cash prizes. To participate, please visit APICDA's website (apicda.com/photo-contest) for contest details and eligibility. High-resolution photos are accepted through September 30 at photos@apicda.com.



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

APICDA provides supplemental funeral and travel related expenses for grieving families. Please email info@apicda.com for more information.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Follow APICDA on social media for news, announcements, events, and deadlines. You can also contact us through Facebook Messenger. Visit: facebook.com/apicda or instagram.com/apicdacorp.

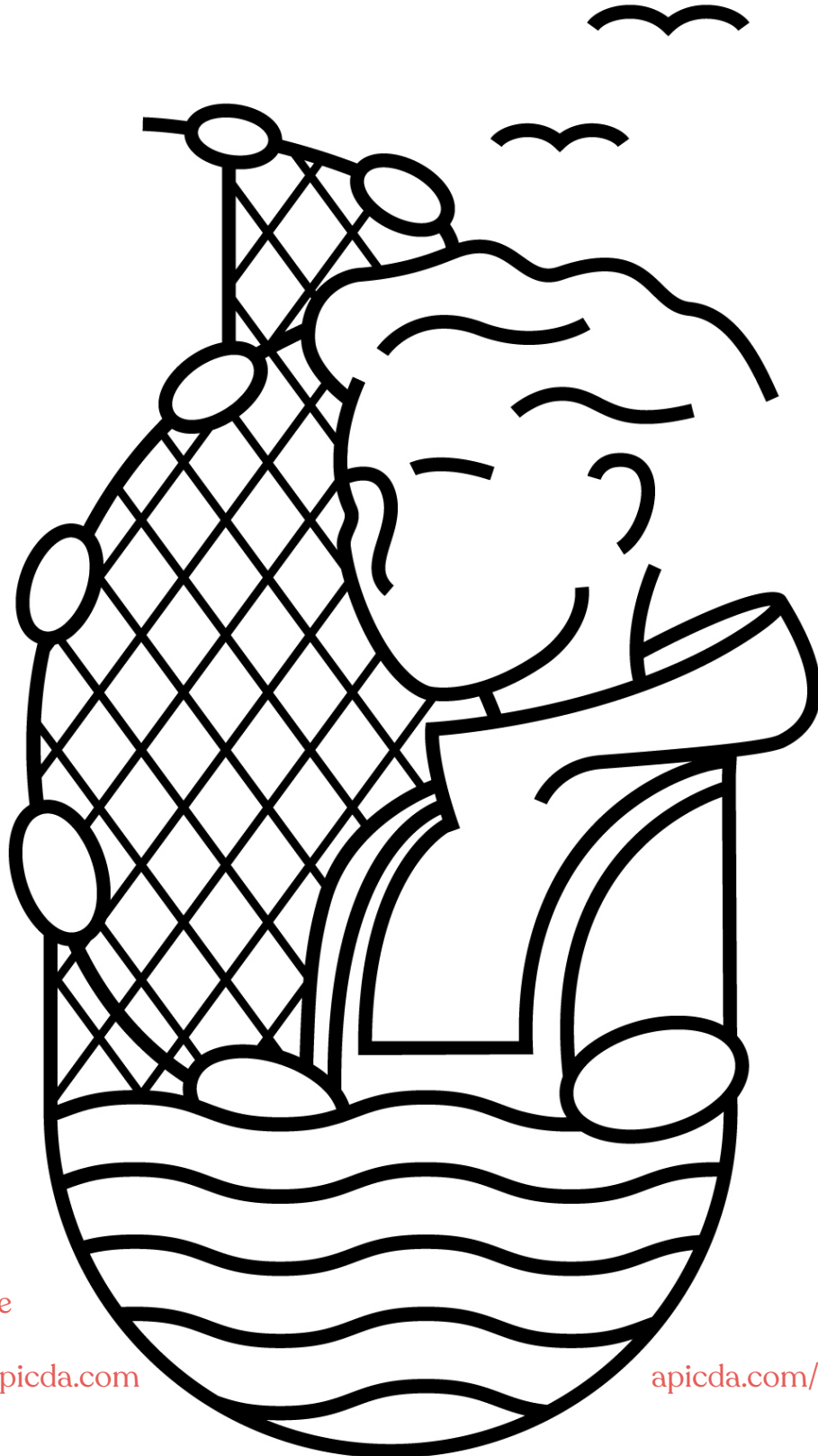


NEWSLETTERS

For more APICDA information, we encourage you to subscribe to our mailing lists for the Aleutian Wave newsletter by emailing info@apicda.com, or check out our [recent publications](#) on our website.



APICDA Programs 4 U



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Announcement



APPLY ONLINE in 2024!

With greater internet connectivity in our region, APICDA is now offering online submission of program applications through a user-friendly portal called Submittable. We won't completely say goodbye to our old-school paper applications just yet, but we plan to rollout the new application platform in 2024, one program deadline at a time.

Online Portal Benefits:

- **Convenience:** Apply from anywhere, anytime!
- **Enhanced accuracy:** Built-in validation and error-checking features.
- **Real-time updates:** Receive immediate notifications and updates on your application status.
- **Centralized information:** Easy access to submitted materials.

WHAT: Apply for APICDA Programs online

WHEN: By the specific program deadline

WHY: APICDA is piloting the process with a small application pool to troubleshoot if issues arise.

HOW: Scan below



Questions?

Contact a helpful member of our Programs team at programs@apicda.com.



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Tristen Merculief, above the clouds on St. George Island.
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