2014 Annual Report

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Vision

Every community within our region is healthy and vibrant, and traditional Iñupiat values guide and enhance our modern ways of life.

Mission

Strengthen our culture of giving and improve the quality of life among the people of the Arctic Slope.

Values

Culture
Sharing
Elders & Youth
Volunteerism

Community Awareness
Community Convener
Dedication and Hard Work
Dear Community Friends,

It seems for the past four years, our message to you in our Annual Report has been one of great thanks to you for your support in helping us grow.

This year will be no exception. You have contributed to another year of outstanding growth for the Arctic Slope Community Foundation.

**Why are YOU so important?**
- Your outpouring of generosity made the 2014 grant year the most successful event ever.
- Your confidence in this Foundation led to receipt of $225,053 in charitable funds all of which will return investment to the communities.
- With your contributions, $307,847 was returned to the communities in the way of grants to participating charitable activities.

This annual report includes all the details. Enjoy a good read! As the Arctic Slope Community Foundation continues its commitment to strengthen our culture of giving and improve the quality of life among the people of the Arctic Slope, we are honored to partner with YOU. . .for Good.

THANK YOU!
Most Sincerely,

Sharon Thompson
Executive Director
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Giving

Your generous donation can have a part in ensuring that our efforts on behalf of the residents of the Arctic Slope Region will continue to develop and improve by helping create and grow a giving plan to improve the quality of life in the Arctic Slope region, today and for generations to come.

Your generous donation can have a part strengthening our culture of giving and improving the quality of life among the people of the Arctic Slope.

Your gift will make a difference in the lives within the eight communities of the Arctic Slope Region, as we work together to achieve Arctic Slope Community Foundation’s vision: “Every community in our region is healthy and vibrant. Our traditional values guide and enhance our modern way of life.”

Send us your tax-deductible donation to:
Arctic Slope Community Foundation
3900 C Street, Suite 701
Anchorage, AK 99503

Checks may be made to Arctic Slope Community Foundation. The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization (Federal Tax ID: 27-2247740).

We also accept credit card donations by phone at (907) 339-6026. Please do not mail cash.

Your support is sincerely appreciated.
About Us

The Arctic Slope Community Foundation was established in 2009 to strengthen our culture of giving to enhance the quality of life among the people of the Arctic Slope. Through the Arctic Slope Community Foundation we encourage and build philanthropic resources to support the community health and economic stability of Point Hope, Point Lay, Wainwright, Atqasuk, Barrow, Nuiqsut, Kaktovik and Anaktuvuk Pass. We look to the day when each of our communities are healthy, vibrant, and traditional values continually enhance our modern way of life.

Benefits of Giving:

- Pooled funds for professional and efficient investment management
- All administration and reporting handled by Arctic Slope Community Foundation
- Significant tax advantages, now or in the future
- A board of dedicated community leaders who help assess community needs and guide gifts for the biggest impact
- Gifts can be directed in perpetuity for a purpose of your choice.

Addressing a Need

While there may be other sources of funding in the form of grants for addressing some of the needs of Arctic Slope communities, many of these funding sources are in the form of federal grants, which require them to be administered in a manner that is more often than not, regionally or culturally inappropriate. Though the North Slope Borough has a grants division, many organizations from our charitable sector lack the capacity to seek funding from government sources, private individuals and foundations. A key reason for starting the Foundation is to have a ready source of funds that will allow people from our region to devise the best solutions to improve their quality of life as opposed to a “one size fits all” federal grant or meet foundation criteria where.

A constant problematic theme for these communities seems to be alcohol and drug abuse, teen pregnancy, and a lack of recreational opportunities for youth. One does not need to be a social scientist to draw a line between the lack of recreational opportunities for youth and teen pregnancy and drug and alcohol abuse. Therefore, projects which result in increased recreational opportunities for youth as well as other programs focused on reducing teen pregnancy and alcohol and drug abuse will likely be key areas where the Foundation will deploy its grant making resources. Grants in these areas should also be considered as investing in our young people.
2014 Grants

- ASNA - Healthy Living Summit 2014
- ASNA - Winter Bear Project
- Ilisaġvik College – Iñupiaq Summer Emersion Camp
- Kaktovik Community Ice Cellar Project — Phases II
- University of Alaska Foundation - RAHI support for 3 Arctic Slope Students

Donor Advised Fund Grants:
- Nordic Journey - ATQ, NUI, AKP and BRW Ski Program
- Kaktovik Community Ice Cellar Project

*The Winter Bear* is a play that tells the story of an Alaska Native teenager who rises above his past traumas to become a leader with the help of mentor Sidney Huntington. The Winter Bear Project combines the play with outreach developed in cooperation with rural Alaskan communities.
About Nordic Journey

Nordic Journey is run under the name of Skiku/NANANordic (Skiku). Skiku’s goal is to get Alaska skiing. They work in statewide partnerships with school districts, corporate and community organizations, and volunteer coaches from the broader ski community to foster the health, recreation, and competitive sports benefits of cross-country skiing and biathlon.

Skiku is healthy and active families traveling together on skis while enjoying Alaska’s vast and beautiful terrain. Skiku brings high-level athletes—Olympians, World Cup athletes and elite high school skiers—to work with children for five days per village. The statewide program is now called Skiku, a name that attaches the word ski to the Inupiaq word for ice, siku. In 2015 Skiku expanded to serve 40 communities and 4500 students.

Skikubiathlon is a project of Nordic Journeys and was founded by former U.S. Biathlon National Team member Zachary Hall with the help of Lars Flora who is an Olympian and founder of both NANANordic and Skiku our statewide. Skikubiathlon seeks to spread biathlon education across the state of Alaska while simultaneously developing a competition team to be based in Anchorage.

Lars Flora, Director, is a 2002 and 2006 Olympian in Nordic skiing, a four-time World Champion Team member, and multiple U.S. national champion. He currently lives in Anchorage, Alaska. Lars proposed the NANANordic project in the spring of 2011 after coming home from an inspiring trip to World Championships in Oslo, Norway. His vision was to "get Alaska skiing," and started with the people from the NANA region. The program has since expanded to the entire state and incorporates AK Biathlon. Lars is a competitive nordic skier and has travelled all over the world competing at the international level.

Zach Hall, AK Biathlon Head Coach, Zach Hall learned to ski at age 11 when his family moved from Las Vegas, NV to Nikiski, AK. He competed on the high school circuit and Junior National teams and went on to race for Dartmouth College. After graduating with a degree in psychology he moved to the Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid, NY to join the U.S. Biathlon National Team. Zach’s biathlon career spanned four years and during that time he won the overall NorAm Cup once, raced internationally on the IBU & World Cup circuits, and was an alternate for the 2010 Olympic Team and 2011 World Championships Team. In 2011 Zach returned home to Alaska and has enjoyed coaching athletes at the world class biathlon facility in Kincaid Park and working with Nordic Journeys to expose young people in bush villages to Nordic skiing and biathlon.
RAHI Student Support

The Rural Alaska Honors Institute (RAHJ) located at the University of Alaska Fairbanks is a statewide academic bridging program that assists students in rural Alaska in making the academic and social transition between high school and college. RAHI is for students who are willing to work hard and are dedicated to achieving excellent college academic performance. At the request of the Alaska Federation of Natives, the RAHJ program was organized by the University of Alaska Fairbanks to serve statewide rural and Alaska Native high school students, with at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA in their junior or senior year. Each summer 40 - 60 students take part in the program.

RAHI helps students make the transition from small rural schools and village life to a university setting. Funding from the Arctic Slope Community Foundation would support three students from the North Slope. It would cover tuition, room and board, airfare, supplies and salary support for instructors and dorm staff.

An independent study by the American Institutes for Research found that: When just comparing minority students, RAHI rural Alaska Natives were nearly twice as likely to succeed. ~fully complete a Bachelor's degree program than any other rural
**Kaktovik Community Ice Cellar**

With contributions this year the grant recipient, Kaktovik Community Foundation reported excellent progress on the community ice cellar project. In April 2015, volunteers from the community dug a 19-foot deep shaft, 4’x4’ and two gutters were installed to direct rain away from the housing/shaft.

The shaft was then observed through this year's spring and fall rains for leakage. It remained dry so work on the caverns can now begin in 2016. A cavern design has been approved and a team of three residents have agreed to undertake this work. We hope to install the climate monitoring equipment during 2016 as well.

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**The Iñupiaq Immersion Summer Camp**

Thirteen highly successful summer immersion camps have previously been run by the Iñupiaq Studies Program. Participants in the camps have included NSBSD educators, college students, graduate students, and high school juniors or seniors.

The purpose of this program is to provide participants with an Iñupiaq-based, holistic understanding of the North Slope, including its history, people, geography, and ecosystem. Through a hands-on camp experience, students examine the complex relationships between the people, the land, the rivers, and the natural resources of the North Slope. However, because the camp is offered through Ilisaġvik College, the curriculum is designed so that participants can earn college credit.
## ARCTIC SLOPE COMMUNITY FOUNDATION

**Statements of Activities**

*(prepared on a modified cash basis)*

For the years ended December 31,

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The U.S. Private Sector economy is strengthening and corporate and consumer balance sheets remain healthy, along with inflation being low. Across the globe economics are generally slowing across the board and that puts central banks at odds with our Federal Reserve Board. Political rifts within Europe are beginning to come to the forefront again and the vicious decline in oil prices could stoke geopolitical instability. Stock valuations are reasonable but 2015 should provide added volatility in the capital markets world economy growth potentially clash.

(source: Adams County Community Foundation 2014 Annual Report)
2014 Business/Group Donors

Our Visionaries ($20,000 and up)
- ConocoPhillips Alaska, Inc.

Our Leaders ($10,000 - 19,999)
- Arctic Slope Regional Corporation
- BP Alaska

Our Family ($5,000 - 9,999)
- ASRC Energy Services
- North Slope Borough
- Ukpeagvik Inupiat Corporation

Our Partners ($1,000 - 4,999)
- Alaska Airlines
- Alaska Growth Capital
- Arctic Slope Native Association
- Caelus Alaska
- Lynden Family of Companies
- Special Event

Our Friends ($100 - 999)
- Alaska National Insurance Company
- United Way
- Alaska Permanent Capital Management
- Arctic Slope Telephone Assoc Coop, Inc.
- Arnie Kahlenberg Charity Fund, Inc.
- Beluga Construction Company, LLC
- Native Village Of Barrow
- North Slope Borough School District
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Donation

Yes! I wish to support the Arctic Slope Community Foundation

Name

Address

City State Zip

Phone Evening Phone

Email Address

Payment Method:

☐ Please make checks payable to Arctic Slope Community Foundation

☐ Please charge my credit card#

Exp. Date CCV (Three digital security code)

Card Holder Signature

☐ I/we pledge a total gift of $ in payments of $ made monthly quarterly annually

Please print your name(s) as you would like to be recognized

“Donate Now” - online at www.arcticslopecommunity.org

☐ Please do not list my name in ASCF publications, I/we wish to be Anonymous

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TOGETHER we can meet the cultural, social, and educational needs of the eight communities of the Arctic Slope region.

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