

Proposed by:	Mayor Cremata
Attorney Review:	05/29/2020
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**MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA
RESOLUTION NO. 20-22R**

A RESOLUTION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF SKAGWAY, ALASKA ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE & ECONOMIC STIMULUS PROGRAM TO MITIGATE THE IMPACTS OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC ON THE COMMUNITY OF SKAGWAY.

WHEREAS, on March 16, 2020, the Municipality of Skagway declared an emergency based on the risk to the public posed by the global COVID-19 pandemic and the substantial adverse economic impacts to Skagway residents, which was confirmed by the Assembly on March 19, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Skagway residents and the municipality rely upon the tourism industry for financial stability; and

WHEREAS, many Skagway residents are unable to be employed in the tourism industry for an undetermined amount of time due to the widespread cancellation of cruises to Alaska; and

WHEREAS, employment options for Skagway residents that provide for working off site or remotely in other industries are limited; and

WHEREAS, secondary impacts to the local economy due to COVID-19 travel restrictions and health mandates will be devastating, with an estimated total community revenue loss of \$160 million for the 2020 season; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality of Skagway wishes to implement an Emergency Assistance & Economic Stimulus Program to mitigate the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic on the health and financial stability of the Skagway community;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway considers expenditures to mitigate the impacts of COVID-19 on the local economy to be necessary expenditures and establishes the following policy for an Emergency Assistance & Economic Stimulus Program:

- Applications will be accepted upon receipt by the Municipality of Skagway of the first Coronavirus Relief Fund grant payment from the State of Alaska.
- Assistance will be provided in the form of a check payment.
- Applications must be submitted monthly, and applicants must meet eligibility requirements and include detail about how previous payments have been spent.
- To be eligible, applicants must provide proof of eligible status to receive the 2020 State of Alaska Permanent Fund Dividend; proof of voter registration in Skagway or an Alaska driver's license with a Skagway address; documentation of impacts to the household due to COVID-19; and a budget detailing how funds are to be used.

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- Applicant and all persons listed on the application must currently physically reside in Skagway and provide a local Skagway physical address and post office box mailing address.
- Funding is available as follows: \$1,000 to each applicant; and \$1,000 for spouse/partner and/or each dependent residing with the applicant.
- This program is dependent on Coronavirus Relief Fund grant funding and will be in place until grant funding is depleted or the expiration of the program, whichever comes first.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by a duly constituted quorum of the Borough Assembly of the Municipality of Skagway this __ day of _____, 2020.

Andrew Cremata, Mayor

ATTEST:

Emily A. Deach, Borough Clerk

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