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# ANNUAL REPORT

Together we can do so much

# Message from the President and CEO

The Mat-Su Health Foundation team is welcoming groups to our conference center and hosting meetings in person again. Thanks to the availability of COVID-19 vaccinations and testing, we are thrilled to be fully immersed in community once again. Our best work has always been driven and supported by those we serve. Zoom and remote work helped us stay connected at the height of the pandemic and remain useful tools, but nothing beats the handshakes, hugs, and eye contact of being physically present. Our team and the community partnered on some exciting projects in 2021. Below are a few highlights.



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- Supported Crisis Now model design of a just and equitable Behavioral Health (BH) Emergency System in Alaska and Mat-Su through convenings of providers and technical assistance on financial modeling.
- Completed a Mat-Su Homelessness Needs
   Assessment, the first step in planning a continuum
   of care for housing and homelessness in Mat-Su,
   and shared findings with government leaders and
   local residents.
- In partnership with the Mat-Su Borough School
  District and local providers, grew the Behavioral
  Health in Schools Program—despite uncertainties
  due to workforce and organizational challenges—
  to offer in-school behavioral health services to
  students and families in 13 local schools.
- Supported Wasilla Area Seniors (WASI) and Mat-Su Senior Services with new CEO searches and assisted Upper Susitna Seniors, Inc. in hiring an executive director.
- Celebrated the grand openings of the Willow Library and Community Center and Wasilla Area Senior's Willow House, a 40-unit senior housing building, both funded in part by MSHF grant support.
- For the fourth year in a row, increased the number of academic scholarships awarded to pursue higher education in the fields of health and human services—to \$1,725,510 awarded to 419 Mat-Su residents, with individual awards ranging from \$500 to \$7,000.
- Prioritized COVID-19 pandemic response through three different grant programs: Coronavirus Prevention Recovery (CPR) grants, Behavioral Health Response Grants, (both funded with MSHF dollars), and \$5.1M in federal C-19 Response

- Funding on behalf of local governments to address testing, vaccinations, and health equity; coordinated the distribution of more than 100,000 free COVID-19 test kits and collaborated to ensure that basic needs such as food and transportation were met during the pandemic.
- Celebrated R.O.C.K. Mat-Su successes: increased developmental early childhood screenings in Mat-Su over five years by 55%; worked with the Families with Infants and Toddlers (F.I.T.) FIT Court to revise its enrollment criteria and develop a phased progression through the court which reopened in August 2021; launched the Braided Stories workshop to the public with two cohorts in Spring 2021 as well as Youth to Youth Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) training, a peer-to-peer project developed by teens.
- Resourced Connect Mat-Su to increase utilization to meet community need, serving 717 individual clients, making 2007 referrals to providers with 90% of clients successfully connected to a needed service, and partnering with the MEA Charitable Foundation and United Way Mat-Su's Emergency Food and Shelter Program funding to launch the Basic Needs Support Fund, distributing \$6,052 to assist 18 households with financial support.

As I look back on our work in 2021, I am reminded of a quote from Helen Keller: "Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." I look forward to many more years of doing much, together, to ensure that all residents of Mat-Su have the opportunity to live a healthy life.

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#### Target Wellness Grants

Affinityfilms, Inc. Alaska Payee Services, Inc. Alaska Family Services, Inc. Alaska South Central Pop Warner Football Association Alaska Sports Hall Of Fame, Inc. Alaskans for Palmer Hay Flats American Cancer Society American Red Cross of Alaska, Mat-Su District Blood-N-Fire Ministry of Alaska Chickaloon Village Traditional Council Colony Middle School Covenant House Denali Education Center **Denali Family Services Epilepsy Foundation of America** Food Bank of Alaska Friends of the Sutton Library Frontline Mission Grantmakers in Aging Grantmakers In Health Homesteaders Community Center Jessica Stevens Community Foundation Knik Tribal Council Mat-Su Food Bank Meadow Lakes Community Development, Inc. Meadow Lakes Seniors, Inc. Moose Boosters Wrestling Club MY House Nine Star Enterprises, Inc. Palmer Community Foundation Palmer Foodbank Peer Power Philanthropy Northwest REACH 907

Special Olympics Alaska Mat-Su Community Sunshine Community Health Center Susitna Valley Jr./Sr. High School Teeland Middle School The Children's Place The Foraker Group United Way of Mat-Su Upper Susitna Food Pantry Valley Charities, Inc. Valley Community for Recycling Solutions Valley Mountain Bikers and Hikers Valley Residential Services Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc. Wasilla Middle School Willow Food Pantry

#### Healthy Impact, Discovery and Strategic Grants

Ak Payee Services, Inc. Alaska Association on **Developmental Disabilities** Alaska Children's Trust Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness Alaska Family Services, Inc. Alaska Farmland Trust Alaska Legal Services Corporation Alaska State Fair, Inc. Alaskan Aids Assistance Association Alzheimer's Resource of Alaska Blood-N-Fire Ministry of Alaska Cache Integrity Services CCS Early Learning Chickaloon Village Traditional Council City of Wasilla Connect Palmer, Inc. Health TIE Knik Tribal Council

LINKS Mat-Su Parent Resource Center Mat-Su Baseball, Inc. Palmer Mat-Su Borough School District Mat-Su Services for Children and Adults, Inc. Nine Star Enterprises, Inc. Onward & Upward, Inc. Palmer FIT Court Palmer Senior Citizens Center, Inc. aka Mat-Su Senior Services Paws For Purple Hearts REACH 907 Recover Alaska Set Free Alaska, Inc. Sunshine Community Health Center Sunshine Transit The Children's Place United Way of Mat-Su Upper Susitna Seniors, Inc. Valley Charities, Inc. Valley Residential Services Valley Transit Veterans Retirement Home Funding, Inc. Wasilla Area Seniors, Inc.

#### Coronavirus Prevention and Response (CPR) Grants

Alaska Family Services, Inc.
Cook Inlet Tribal Council, Inc.
Kids Kupboard
Knik Tribal Council
Pediatric Resource Center of Alaska
Pop Warner Little Scholars, Inc.
Set Free Alaska, Inc.
The Children's Place
United Way of Mat-Su
Upper Susitna Food Pantry

#### Community-Driven C-19 Response Funding

Alaska State Fair, Inc. Alaskan Aids Assistance Association Boston Biopharma Home Test Kits CCS Early Learning City of Houston Creative Guy - COVID Awareness **Denali Education Center** Denali Harley Davidson - Health Fair Double B LLC - Grizzly Family Fitness Kids Kupboard LINKS Mat-Su Parent Resource Center Make A Scene/The People's Paper Mat-Su Borough Mat-Su Health Services, Inc. Molekule HEPA Air Filters MY House MSI Communications - COVID Awareness New City Entertainment - Alaska State Fair Booth Pediatric Resource Center of Alaska Set Free Alaska, Inc. Talkeetna Elementary PTA The Alaska Primary Care Association Upper Susitna Food Pantry Wasilla Lake Church of Nazarene WEKA Willow Food Pantry











#### **Statement of Financial Position**

(In Thousands, 2021 Unaudited)

ASSETS

Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$30 <i>,</i> 707	\$13,724
Investment in Joint Ventures	\$93,258	\$92,800
Long-Term Investments	\$178,8 <i>5</i> 7	\$143,300
Program-Related Investments	\$273	\$306
Leasehold Improvements, Net	\$15,618	\$14,330
Other Assets	\$11,864	\$11,848
Total Assets	\$330,577	\$276,308
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS		
Accounts Payable and Accrued Expenses	\$661	\$561
Grant Awards Payable	\$4,894	\$3,303
Long-Term Notes Payable	\$5,970	\$6,823
Other Liabilities	\$1,179	\$358
Total Liabilities	\$12,704	\$11,045
Unrestricted Net Assets	\$317,873	\$265,263
Temporarily Restricted Net Assets	*	•
Total Net Assets	\$317,873	\$265,263
Total Liabilities And Net Assets	\$330,577	\$276,308

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## Statement of Activities & Changes in Net Assets

(In Thousands, 2021 Unaudited)

Revenue and Support Equity Income in Joint Ventures Investment Income, Net Other Income and Net Assets Released from Restrictions	<b>2021</b> \$45,358 \$25,587 \$1,882	<b>2020</b> \$32,644 \$16,788 \$2,543
Total Income	\$72,827	\$51,975
Grants and Expenses		
Grant Awards	\$15,462	\$17,314
General and Administrative Expenses	\$6,375	\$5,288
Total Expense	\$21,837	\$22,602
Change in Net Assets	\$50,990	\$29,373
Net Assets, Beginning of Year Net Assets, End of Year	\$263,203 \$314,193	\$233,830 \$263,203



### Charity Care as a Percentage of Gross Revenue





