## CITY OF AKUTAN

Incorporated 1979



## AKUTAN COMMUNITY IN GENERAL

#### Industry:

- Fishing
- Fish processing

#### General infrastructure:

- New water impoundment system
- hydro facility
- harbor
- Akutan airport

#### Project pending completion/ in progress:

- Harbor electrification and lighting,
- Akun break water (US Corps),
- Harbor Road (shovel ready, submitted application for STIP and IRT),
- Tsunami shelter (need funding),
- Road to the 4 plex (working with the borough and Corporation for easements)

#### Population:

- 90 resident with 41 households
- Approximately 1200 seasonal workers in Trident (300 call home)

## AKUTAN COMMUNITY IN GENERAL CONTINUED



Public safety: **VPSO** 



Health system: Anesia Kudrin (mid level PA care) must transport out of the village for other auxiliary care.

during emergency: medevac (coast guard)

in patient services: vaccines, women's healthex. prenatal check ups, co-ordinate with mid wives in Anchorage. men's health, X-rays, screenings, provide all family med etc.



#### **Transportation:**

local- walk & 4 wheeler,

Air: very expensive \$600 each way with Ravn air/ Pen Air, multi dimensional: big and small aircraft and helicopter.

Marine- discussion underway for Akun dock/breakwater conventional vessel marine link.



community.

#### **Connectivity:**

landlines, cell phones, optimera – wifi/ internet, GCI proposed bringing fiber optic cable to the



#### Mail:

Adequate service, sling loads for larger deliveries



## Access to food & goods & services:

Coastal Transportation, comes from Seattle every two weeks

### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

- There are about 21 students in school. (grade K-12). One senior graduating this school year.
- Three children in daycare in the morning and up to five in the afternoon. (age group 0-11 years of age)
- According to 2010 census report, a population of 1,027 with median age of 45



# MAJOR EVENTS IMPACTING COMMUNITY (POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE)



- Fiber Optic Project (positive)
- Harbor opening up.
- Migration of residents
- School closing
- No daycare

## DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS OBSERVED AS A COMMUNITY

More young adults with age range 45 and younger.

More children between age of 8-15.

Still seeing young adults between ages 18-35 in transitionary living between Anchorage and Akutan for various unknown reason.

Rise in young adults taking an interest in local community affairs (municipal and tribal governments).

Young adults looking at setting up new start-up business in Akutan

Older residents taking an interest in City government

## THREATS TO COMMUNITY FEATURES:



STATE FUNDING CUTS



STATE SHARED FISH TAX REVENUE CUTS OR ELIMINATION



TRIDENT PLANT
PROPOSED
MODERNIZATION
INTO AUTOMATION
MODE



TRANSPORTATION (PEN AIR, EAS, MARINE LINK ETC)



HOUSING – ACCOMMODATING THE RISE OF YOUNGER FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN.



**NATURAL DISASTER** 

# OPPORTUNITIES FOR IMPROVED RELATIONSHIP WITH BOROUGH



Partnership to increase community awareness



Physical presence of the borough in each community



Expand community grant program launched last year to include more funding opportunities and better criteria for eligible projects.



Expand mission statement if possible, to include specific goals that incorporate borough community's goals and priorities.

## STRATEGIC COLLABORATION OPPORTUNITIES



Partnership with communities locating and funding training and apprenticeship programs (carpentry, small engine repair, diesel engine repair, boiler repair etc)



Partnership with communities in major infrastructural projects. (identifying potential funding source, financial leverage and technical support)