

Code Blue Partners:

State of Alaska
USDA – Rural Development
Tribal and Municipal Governments
Community Organizations
Denali Commission
Rasmuson Foundation



The Future:

State capital funds are the cornerstone of the Code Blue program. They are used as a match for all other potential funding sources. Without them, we will again be faced with the result of aging infrastructure. Although the initial crisis has been resolved, much work is still needed.



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The Alaska Code Blue Project

Resuscitating
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The Code Blue Project:

Ten years ago, Alaska's rural EMS community was in crisis due to aging infrastructure. The Code Blue Project was established to provide essential EMS equipment by leveraging limited state dollars with funding from other non-traditional sources. This influx of resources has helped to provide patient care and training equipment, patient transport, and communication needs, allowing responders to do their jobs in a safe and effective manner.

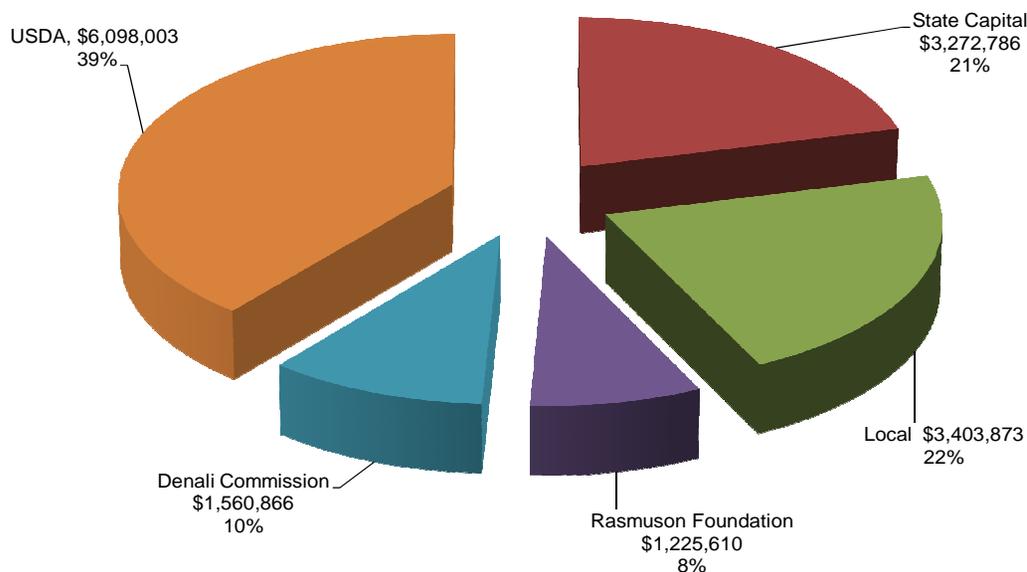
How it Works:

Requests are reviewed and approved at both the local and regional levels before being scrutinized by the State's Code Blue Steering Committee. The Committee consists of representatives from each of the seven EMS regions and the State EMS Office. From this collaborative process, one prioritized list is made annually of essential EMS equipment that addresses Alaska's most critical needs. During the past ten years, a \$3 million investment from the State of Alaska served as the catalyst for additional grant monies, yielding \$15 million in capital projects.

What We've Accomplished:

The variety of projects reflects the vast geographical and environmental differences in Alaska. Ambulances, snow machines and ATVs with patient transport sleds and carts, boats equipped with first responder gear and other unique patient transport vehicles are funded along with cardiac monitors, radios, oxygen delivery systems, pediatric equipment and training mannequins.

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Items Purchased

