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At today's press conference, Governor Dunleavy announced his FY20 budget line item vetoes. Essential grants for homeless and housing assistance programs were significantly reduced and/or eliminated in these line item vetoes.

"These cuts are targeting domestic violence victims, homeless children, low-income seniors, and other marginalized populations," says Brian Wilson, Executive Director of the Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness. "This action decimates an already greatly underfunded homeless service delivery system."

Jasmine Khan, Executive Director of the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness shared her worry about the impacts of these cuts in Anchorage. "Residents of Anchorage are already concerned about public health and safety. Slashing critical safety net services will jeopardize recent efforts and increase unauthorized camping."

"If a goal of the administration is to ensure public safety, cutting shelter services, food supports, and preventive homeless services for children, families, veterans and others from more than 50 programs across the state does not make that happen," says Khan.

For many Alaskan communities, this budget will force most, if not all, housing and homeless service agencies to suspend assisting vulnerable people. In Nome, the Nome Emergency Shelter Team (NEST) operates the community's only cold weather emergency shelter. NEST will close its doors as a result of these budget cuts; a shelter opened to reduce winter fatalities on the street. There have been no fatalities as a result of exposure during the winter months in the years NEST has been in operation. In Anchorage, 5 of the 7 shelters will need to consider reducing capacity rapidly, potentially pushing people out into the streets.

<b>FY20 Governor's Signed Budget (after line item vetoes)</b>		
<b>Program</b>	<b>Legislative Approved FY20 Funding</b>	<b>Governor Approved FY20 Funding</b>
<b>Homeless Assistance Program (HAP)</b>	<b>\$7,800,000</b>	<b>\$950,000</b>
<b>Special Needs Housing Grant (SNHG)</b>	<b>\$3,700,000</b>	<b>\$1,700,000</b>
<b>Human Services Community Matching Grant (HSCMG)</b>	<b>\$1,387,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Community Initiative Matching Grant Program (CIMGP)</b>	<b>\$861,700</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$13,748,700</b>	<b>\$2,650,000</b>

Attached is a list of all programs throughout Alaska receiving funding through HAP, SNHG, HSCMG, and CIMGP grants.

Funding for these key programs can only be returned to the budget through a legislative override of the line item veto for each of these programs.

The Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness and the Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness are urging all Alaskans who have family, friends, or who directly receive services from these affected agencies to contact their state elected officials and let them know how the elimination of programs will affect themselves and their communities.

Program	Location	BHAP	SNHG	HSCMG/CIMGP	AHFC Match	Total
Alaska Institute for Justice	Anchorage			\$150,000		\$150,000
Alaska Mental Health Consumer Web	Anchorage	\$97,723				\$97,723
Alzheimer's Resource of Alaska	Anchorage			\$50,000		\$50,000
Anchorage Coalition to End Homelessness	Anchorage				\$76,300	\$76,300
Anchorage Community Mental Health	Anchorage	\$60,494				\$60,494
AWAIC	Anchorage	\$262,990		\$150,000	\$72,515	\$485,505
Bean's Café	Anchorage			\$127,461		\$127,461
Catholic Social Services	Anchorage	\$875,456	\$197,816	\$300,000		\$1,373,272
Covenant House	Anchorage	\$410,827		\$150,000	\$160,777	\$721,604
Food Bank of Alaska	Anchorage			\$100,000		\$100,000
Lutheran Social Services	Anchorage			\$100,000		\$100,000
NeighborWorks Alaska	Anchorage				\$385,506	\$385,506
Partners for Progress	Anchorage	\$413,972	\$309,000			\$722,972
RurAL CAP	Anchorage	\$309,146	\$760,247	\$252,408	\$257,284	\$1,579,085
Shiloh Community Housing, Inc.	Anchorage	\$153,124				\$153,124
The Salvation Army - McKinnell	Anchorage	\$83,784			\$98,000	\$181,784
Bethel Winter Shelter Lion's Club	Bethel			\$29,700		\$29,700
Tundra Women's Coalition	Bethel	\$64,831				\$64,831
Bristol Bay Native Association	Bristol Bay			\$50,000		\$50,000
Fairbanks Rescue Mission	Fairbanks	\$311,568				\$311,568
Fairbanks Youth Advocates	Fairbanks	\$189,514				\$189,514
Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living	Fairbanks		\$133,162		\$90,177	\$223,339
Interior Center for Non-Violent Living	Fairbanks				\$52,280	\$52,280
No Limits- Home Free PSH	Fairbanks				\$11,647	\$11,647
Tanana Chiefs Conference- Housing First	Fairbanks		\$427,250		\$44,310	\$471,560
The Salvation Army - Fairbanks	Fairbanks	\$155,565				\$155,565
Copper River Native Association	Glennallen			\$70,000		\$70,000
Independent Living Center	Homer			\$45,505		\$45,505
South Peninsula Haven House	Homer	\$100,079				\$100,079
Alaska Coalition on Housing and Homelessness	Juneau				\$133,711	\$133,711
AWARE	Juneau			\$50,000	\$18,919	\$68,919
GHS ,Glory Hole, & 3 other agencies	Juneau	\$626,068				\$626,068
Juneau Cooperative Christian Ministry	Juneau			\$50,000		\$50,000
Juneau Housing First Collaborative	Juneau		\$600,000		\$17,594	\$617,594
REACH	Juneau		\$12,496			\$12,496
St. Vincent De Paul SRA	Juneau				\$24,838	\$24,838
Kenai Peninsula Housing Initiatives	Kenai Peninsula		\$51,608			\$51,608
Kenaitze Indian Tribe IRA	Kenai			\$40,000		\$40,000
Love INC of the Kenai Peninsula	Kenai	\$321,294				\$321,294
The Lee Shore Center	Kenai	\$53,575			\$55,011	\$108,586
First City Homeless Service	Ketchikan			\$50,000		\$50,000
Love INC Gateway Affiliate	Ketchikan	\$100,700				\$100,700
Women in Safe Homes, Inc.	Ketchikan			\$50,000		\$50,000
Brother Francis Shelter Kodiak, Inc.	Kodiak			\$31,550		\$31,550
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Manilaq Association	Kotzebue			\$50,000		\$50,000
Valley Charities, Family Promise(8 agencies)	Mat-Su	\$949,074			\$15,950	\$965,024
Nome Community Center	Nome	\$122,433		\$25,000		\$147,433
Nome Emergency Shelter Team- PSH	Nome		\$200,000	\$50,000	\$13,030	\$263,030
Palmer Senior Citizens Center, Inc	Palmer			\$35,000		\$35,000
Seaview Community Services	Seward		\$22,021			\$22,021
The Salvation Army - Sitka	Sitka	\$75,456				\$75,456
Southeast Alaska Independent Living, Inc. (SAIL)	southeast Region			\$40,000		\$40,000
Alaska Legal Services	Statewide			\$264,801		\$264,801
Native Village of Unalakleet	Unalakleet			\$30,144		\$30,144
Valley Residential Services- Bev's Place	Wasilla		\$503,334		\$16,250	\$519,584