Building a Resilient North: Policy, Planning, and Partnerships in Anchorage, Alaska

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A CHANGING NORTH

ECOLOGY

ECONOMY

ENVIRONMENT

EQUITY
ALASKA’S CLIMATE

Average Daily Temperature Departure from Normal
October 2013 to March 2014

Deg (°F)

-2.0 to 0.0
+0.1 to +1.2
+1.3 to +2.4
+2.5 to +3.6
+3.7 to +4.8
+4.9 to +6.0
+6.1 to +7.2
+7.3 to +8.3

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What generates jobs for Alaska residents?¹
(Annual average Number of Jobs for Residents, 2004-2006: 357,000)

- **ALL OTHER BASIC SECTORS²**: 34% (122,000 jobs)
- **PETROLEUM SECTOR**: 31% (110,000 jobs)
- **FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**: 35% (125,000 jobs)

¹ Excludes jobs held by non-residents.
² Seafood, tourism, mining, timber, international air cargo and personal assets from outside Alaska (primarily federal retirement benefits).
ALASKA’S FIRST PEOPLES

INUPIAQ

YUP’IK & CUP’IK

ALEUT & ALUTIQT

ATHABASCAN

EYAK, TLINGIT,
HAIDA, TSIMSHIAN
THE UNIQUE NORTH
*Always Getting Ready*

SELF RELIANT

VIBRANT, VITAL CULTURES

CONNECTED with PLACE

* From Barker, Upterrlainarluta - Always Getting Ready: Yup’ik Eskimo Subsistence in Southwest Alaska.
Welcoming Anchorage Roadmap
Our roadmap for an equitable, inclusive, diverse Anchorage

Resilient Anchorage Roadmap
A roadmap for success and innovation in a time of transformation

Map by Lucie Conoley; provided courtesy of the Anchorage Museum
RESILIENCE IN ANCHORAGE

Ready, Inclusive, Connected

The capacity of a community to survive and thrive through acute shocks and chronic stresses

- Fires, floods, earthquakes, erosion, freeze-thaw cycles
- Unemployment, inadequate housing, poverty, poor infrastructure and communication networks, social and economic exclusion
EQUITY BASED RESILIENCE

EQUALITY

EQUITY
Welcoming Anchorage Roadmap
Our roadmap for an equitable, inclusive, diverse Anchorage

Our VISION is that Anchorage is a globally competitive, culturally vibrant community where every resident feels a sense of belonging and has equal opportunity to access all the community offers.

Our efforts to create a more welcoming community are instilled with the following shared VALUES

- Respect
- Inclusivity
- Collaboration
- Integrity
- Equity
- Hope
- Transparency
- Justice
- Welcoming!

Five pillars organize and drive our welcoming activities to the VEHICLE for change in our community:

- Civic Engagement
  - Anchorage residents are equally able to participate in civic life.
- Education
  - Anchorage is a safe community that is strong, resilient, and fosters a culture of non-violence. Anchorage protects the health and welfare of all its residents, including the most vulnerable.
- Economic Development & Entrepreneurship
  - Anchorage residents have equal access to governmental and community-based services (by removing institutional, systemic barriers).
- Equitable Access
  - Anchorage is the most energy efficient city in the country.

Resilient Anchorage Roadmap
A roadmap for success and innovation in a time of transformation

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- Fine, floods, earthquakes, extreme freezes.
- Unemployment, inadequate housing, poverty, poor infrastructure and communication networks, social and economic exclusion

Our efforts to create a more resilient community are instilled with the following shared VALUES

- Respect
- Inclusivity
- Collaboration
- Integrity
- Equity
- Hope
- Knowledge
- Innovation
- Design

Six pillars organize and drive our resilience strategy:

- Infrastructure
  - Infrastructure improves climate readiness, equity and wellbeing.
- Energy
  - Anchorage is the most energy efficient city in the country.
- Emergency Preparedness
  - Anchorage residents are prepared for emergencies.
- Economic Opportunity
  - Economic opportunities and entrepreneurship in emerging economies are accessible to all residents.
- Health + Wellbeing
  - Community health and wellness is a priority and protected.
- Engaged Residents + Neighborhoods
  - Community members are engaged and vital partners in creating a welcoming and resilient Anchorage.
RESILIENCE PARTNERS

GOVERNANCE

KNOWLEDGE

DIVERSITY + ACCESS + INCLUSION IN ALL SECTORS

BUSINESS and ENTREPRENEURSHIP

DESIGN
PHYSIOLOGICAL NEEDS

SAFETY NEEDS

SOCIAL NEEDS

Esteem Needs

Self-Actualization

NORTHERN VALUES – NORTHERN VISION

Community
Self-reliant, connected with place, culturally vibrant and vital

Innovative and Entrepreneurial
Wired and connected neighborhoods and homes, meaningful careers, accessible and open data and information for residents

Engaged and Educated
Quality pre-K-12 and post secondary education, representative and inclusive government

Healthy & Connected
Transportation and communication networks, accessible parks and trails, vibrant and integrated cultures and languages, energy and food security

Access to Basic Needs
Affordable quality housing, health care, jobs, public safety, education, emergency services, language access, and justice
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