



The project aimed to support and facilitate program planning to launch a Youth Outdoors (YO) Program, which is a summer program designed for 14- and 15-year-old teens. The initiative aims to **build essential job skills through service learning, outdoor experiences, and personal health and well being.**

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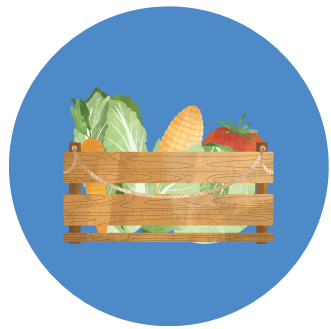
20+ PARTNERS ESTABLISHED

including Alaska Pacific University for curriculum development and Anchorage School District for school gardens.



10+ COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENTS

Anchorage Park Foundation (APF) conducted partnership meetings, site visits, and partner recruitment over the project period, which assisted them in planning the YO program.



2 GRANT APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS

APF submitted for grant funding during the project planning period. They are currently working to secure funding to implement a pilot summer YO program.

“Working together, we CAN **give young people the skills they need for a healthy life**, while making a difference in our communities.”

- Amelia Sikes, University of Alaska Fairbanks, Institute of Agriculture, Natural Resource and Extension



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