



# 2007 CONFERENCE ON COMMUNITY & FAITH-BASED SERVICE

Jointly hosted by the Alaska State Community Service Commission & the Alaska Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives

Dear Alaskan,

“You cannot hope to build a better world without improving the individual. To that end each of us must work for his/her own improvement and at the same time share a responsibility for all humanity, our particular duty being to aid those to whom we think we can be most useful.” Marie Curie

The Conference on Community and Faith-Based Service is an annual event that celebrates volunteer service in the State of Alaska and equips service professionals, volunteers, National Service members and community and faith-based organizations to fulfill their missions more effectively.

This year we are seeking sponsors to help make this valuable conference possible. This is a joint effort of the Alaska State Community Service Commission and the Alaska Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives. **Your donations will help strengthen and support community organizations and volunteers statewide.**

Please visit [www.servealaska2007.com](http://www.servealaska2007.com) for more detailed information on donating to this conference and enjoy our fast and friendly electronic format for processing your sponsorship!

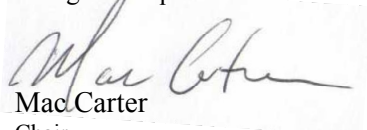
Since 1994 the **Alaska State Community Service Commission (ASCSC)** has been increasing volunteerism and community service in Alaska. ASCSC was instrumental in Alaska placing 5<sup>th</sup> in the nation for volunteerism according to a study produced by the Corporation for National and Community Service. The Commission’s mission is to work together to promote volunteerism and ethic of service and to engage Alaskans of all ages and backgrounds in tangible, results-oriented community projects. AmeriCorps Members serve Alaska’s communities by tutoring and mentoring children, building affordable housing, creating playgrounds and parks, restoring the environment, providing literacy and work readiness skills, caring for the elderly, and more. *They are actively building a culture of citizenship, service, and responsibility.*

The mission of the **Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives (OFBCI)** is to improve the well-being of Alaskans by strengthening and expanding the contributions of faith-based and community initiatives. The office works to foster partnerships between and among government, faith and community groups; build capacity in faith-based and community organizations; and expand awareness by educating government agencies, faith-based and community organizations and the public about FBCI contributions, opportunities and issues that impact Alaskans in need. *They are strengthening and expanding the work done by Alaska’s grassroots armies of compassion.*

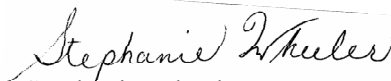
This year’s Summit will be held on **April 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>, 2007** at the **Sheraton Anchorage Hotel**. The Conference theme is **“United to Serve Alaska”** with a specific emphasis on Disaster Preparedness.

If you have questions regarding the conference or donating, please contact Didi Taylor (907) 269-4637 or Stephanie Wheeler (907) 269-8019.

Thank you for considering this request.



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