

Whittier Village Project

Sustainable Community – *Alaskan Style*

Whittier Village, an ex-military base, is being transformed into a green, sustainable, fully contained community. This type of community is critical in this great time of change as a center for support and transformation of individuals and communities. Back to sustainability, in sync with each other and our Mother Earth, in service and stewardship, with love and integrity, supporting individuals and communities with tools for sustainability will ensure a brighter future for us all.

The proposed Whittier Village is in a very favorable location, situated adjacent to the ferry terminal and cruise ship port at Whittier, Alaska. This high visibility will help the Project to succeed. The Village will become a hub, a focal point, for sustainability education statewide, and through its Native Eco-tourism Program, a destination for sustainability seekers from all over the world. The Village will become a model community to support people holistically and organically as much as possible. The following is a list of some of the proposed amenities:

- 1) Cultural Center honoring Native Alaskan traditions and lifeways
- 2) Home base and support center for statewide Native Eco-tourism Program
- 3) Integrative Health and Wellness Center
- 4) Education Center, including K-12 Montessori and a Community Education Campus aligned to major universities
- 5) Renewable energy independence – solar, wind, bio, possible geothermal
- 6) Setting the standard for energy conservation measures in a retrofit
- 7) Water conservation, storage, and recycling techniques
- 8) Commercial and business core, including cottage industries, professional services, and a proposed casino/hotel to fund sustainability projects and education
- 9) Community Center - office space, library, and meeting rooms for residents
- 10) Condos and apartments for a variety of income levels
- 11) Day-care service
- 12) On-site grocery

Providing a wide range of services and opportunities where people live allows for high degrees of energy efficiency. With everything they need close by, people living and working at Whittier Village will lower their transport expenses and will have more time to spend with family and friends, with more opportunities for cultural enrichment and life fulfillment.

This project will be partially funded by re-investment of a portion of the profits from Groundhog Mine, and we are looking for other project partners at this time.

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