

# Investing in America through the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Solid Waste Infrastructure for Recycling Grants Community Grant Fact Sheet

# Borough of Matanuska-Susitna, Alaska

### **Selected Grant Recipient**

Name: Matanuska-Susitna Borough, AK Project Title: Mat-Su Compost Program

#### **EPA Information**

Region: EPA Region 10

# **Highlights**

- Creates a compost facility and collection network.
- Will benefit five disadvantaged communities as well as the Chickaloon Alaskan Native Village.

## Grant Funding: \$3,540,340

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough's compost program will develop a cohesive, sustainable organic materials management system that benefits the borough community by providing recycling options for organic wastes, reducing disposal costs for residents, and returning compost to the land for nutrient cycling. To put the program into action, the borough will construct a new compost facility, purchase operating equipment, develop collection infrastructure, and make necessary improvements at three transfer station locations.

### **SWIFR Grants for Communities**

The 2021 Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provides the largest EPA investment in recycling in 30 years to support National Recycling Strategy implementation and build a circular economy for all. As part of the Investing in America agenda, this funding supports improvements to waste management systems and programs, allowing resources to be used more efficiently and reducing the impact on the climate. SWIFR Community grant funding can be used to establish or optimize collection and management of materials; fund infrastructure, technology, or other improvements to reduce contamination; enhance markets for recycled commodities; and increase the diversion, recycling rate and quality of materials collected for municipal solid waste. These grants also advance the Justice 40 Initiative, which aims to ensure that 40% of the overall benefits of certain Federal investments flow to disadvantaged communities that are marginalized, underserved, and overburdened by pollution.

EPA will make the award to the borough of Matanuska-Susitna once all legal and administrative requirements are satisfied.

## **SWIFR State Grant Program Fact Sheet**

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