



Community Assessment Tool – Individual Community Results

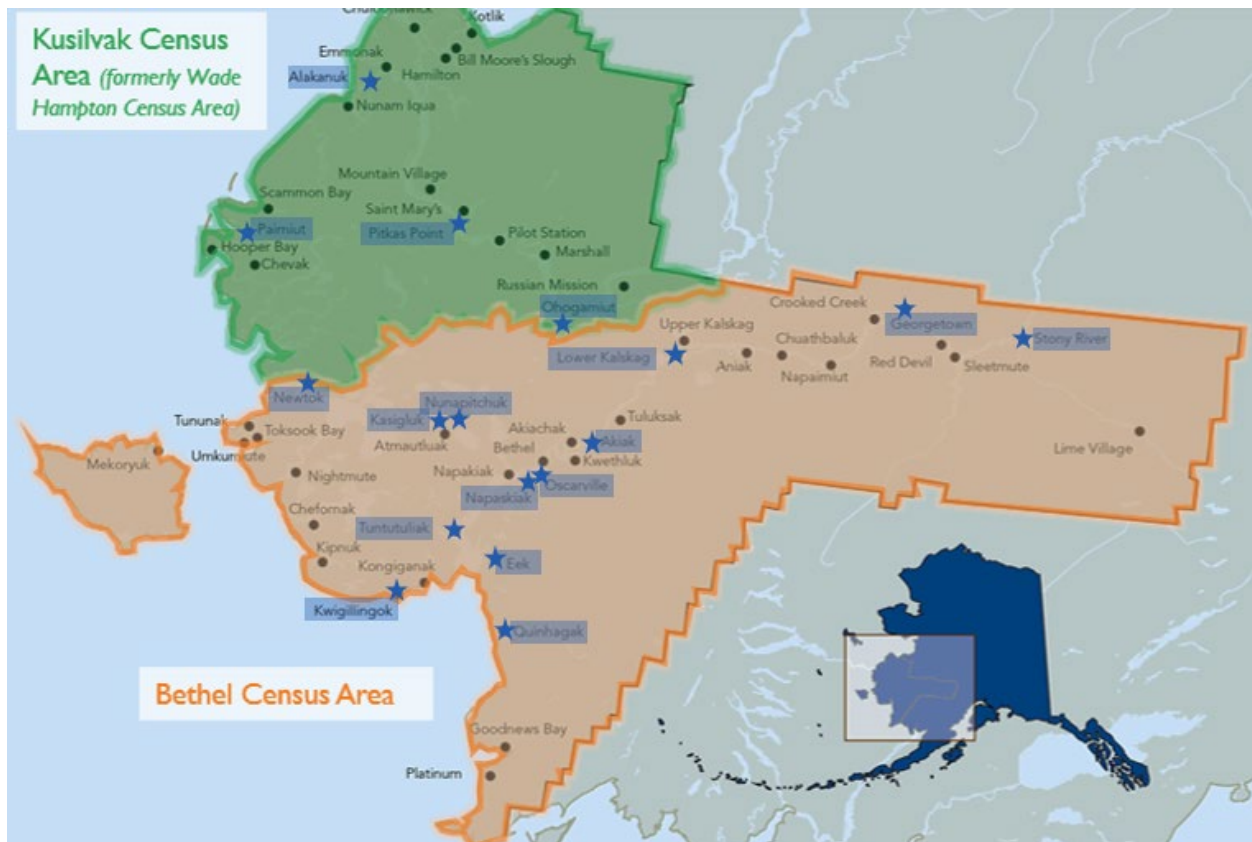
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All collected community responses are included in this packet and show each community’s corresponding raw results. To view additional background, methodology, analysis, and next steps, view the accompanying summary.

Communities Who Have Responded

The Association of Village Council Presidents collected 17 community responses to the YK CEDS Community Assessment Tool. For the list of communities who have responded, please see the table to the right.

List of Communities Who Responded		
Akiak	Kwigillingok	Ohogamiut
Alakanuk	Lower Kalskag	Oscarville
Eek	Napaskiak	Paimiut
Georgetown	Newtok	Pitka’s Point
Kasigluk	Nunapitchuk	Quinhagak
Stony River		Tuntutuliak



Communities Who Have NOT Responded

The Association of Village Council Presidents was unable to collect 34 community responses for the Community Assessment Tool. For the list of communities who have NOT responded, see the table below.

List of Communities Who Did Not Respond			
Akiakchak	Chuathbaluk	Kongiganak	Nunam Iqua
Algaaciq (St. Mary's)	Chuloonawick	Kotlik	Orutsararmiut
Andreafski	Crooked Creek	Kwethluk	Pilot Station
Aniak	Emmonak	Lime Village	Platinum
Asa'carsarmiut (Mountain Village)	Goodnews Bay	Marshall	Red Devil
Atmautluak	Hamilton	Napaimute	Scammon Bay
Bill Moore's Slough	Hooper Bay	Napakiak	Sleetmute
Chefornak	Iqugmiut (Russian Mission)	Negtemiut (Nightmute)	Tuluksak
Chevak	Kipnuk	Nunakauyarmiut (Toksook Bay)	Tununak
Umkumiut		Upper Kalskag	

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Akiak

Completed by: Moses Owen, <i>Akiak Native Community</i>	Date completed: 10-27-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Community leadership, and community members input.
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	We need resources for the community for Education, Behavioral//Alcohol treatment for all age groups as it is difficult and turnaround with YKHC. We have a high need for homes for our people within the village. Many families are leaving together in a single home in 2-4 bedrooms and majority of the families come from big households.
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	More available housing for the community members
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Currently we have 6 homes being built by AVCP
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	funding
Water Sewer	
What is your top Washer Sewer priority or project for this topic?	high need for a bigger washeteria for the community with working washing machines and dryers. Some homes do not have running water
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	looking into grants to see if we can get washing machines, and dryers. Those without running water the tribe has helped them haul water.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding resources
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	subsistence, and grocery costs is another high priority for the community.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	we need year-round access to harvest, gather, fish to support families.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	limited jobs, transportation, gas
Communications	

What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	Landline/Cell Phone coverage and internet access
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Akiak Technology has installed a community library for tribal members. GCI needs to have better access for cell to landline as it is critical when it is a health emergency.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Work with GCI to make positive changes
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Scholarships for those who want to go college, vocational or trade school
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	encourage those to apply for scholarships, or look for scholarships
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Deadlines for scholarships
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	to make sure we have enough fuel to keep the lights on in the village
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	working with city of Akiak to make sure they have enough funding for fuel
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	funding
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	improve air quality by watering roads, and making road improvements
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Watering roads/fix holes
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Manpower, and funding
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	More TPO, Health aides, and community resources to help our tribal members
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	encouraging people to apply

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Alcoholism abuse, background checks, etc.
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Alakanuk

Completed by: Charlene Strilling, <i>Alakanuk Traditional Council</i> TA	Date completed: 1-19-2024
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Lack of housing, overcrowding. Cost to build. Land development to build every family has a home. Wood mill. More housing due to overcrowding. Land development. Tribe would like to be able to purchase houses or build houses due to overcrowding in houses & lack of housing. land development
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Tribe wants to get a saw mil.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Cost. Wetlands develop lands into lots. Shipping and handling. Costs. Lack of homes. Lack of dry land. Lack of housing, price of lumber high costs & shipping, lack of dry land.
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	*Water & sewer to all homes. Honey bucket pit. Need plots and new hook up for new places like house moving project. Connect all homes to W/S. Dump pit for honey bucket water truck. Tribe wants to connect all homes to water & sewer, if not provide easy access to water & sewer. Need dumping pit, water truck
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Tribe set aside funds to partner with City & YDFDA to connect homes to water & sewer.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Lack of funding. Lack of parts. Really high prices.
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	Bigger food bank. Subsistence gathering to give out. Housing prices are too high even shipping. Food Bank -Subsistence. Tribal Food Bank, donations from local subsistence hunters/ gatherers.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	School has green house, donations for fish

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Donations. Lack of food stamps.
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	Viable internet. Tribe wants reliable internet for Tribe & its members, since everything is going digital.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding. Expensive monthly prices.
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	More training for our children to go out of the village. Tribe would like to see Tribal members take advantage of free training & opportunities through AVCP TWD. Tribe would like to create jobs and become self reliant to provide jobs to the community members. More job fairs.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Encourage people to go out training. Encourage kids to go out and get training and go to school for further education.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding. Funding for lodging & meals for students who want to go to these internships. Creating employment w/o funding.
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	Solar energy for buildings to reduce electricity costs. Solar energy wind energy lack of funding. Solar energy for building to reduce electricity costs. Tribe would like to become energy efficient/sufficient to reduce amount of fuel costs & utility costs. Solar energy, lights.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Encourage to do it. Need more information. Jointed Alaska Tribal Spectrum for Solar/Wind panel application
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Lack of funding & trained operators. Funding
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Public transportation. Mark winter trails. Tribe wants to be able to maintain roads, summer & winter roads. In order to do so, need equipment to be able to maintain roads. Need for public transportation- marking winter trails.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Necessary equipment to maintain roads & personnel. No heavy equipment to maintain roads.

Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	Hire health aides. Hire VPSO/VPO/TPO. Search & rescue. Fire dept. Tribe would like to see our Tribal members, healthy, safe, and well in mind, body, spirit, physical. Tribe wants a Tribal cop, money for search & rescue and emergency response vehicle or equipment to respond to fires or medical emergencies. Need local Health Aids.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Advertise on FB, local stores. Volunteer.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	funding . Lack of participation. Lack of local Health Aide.
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	Community Hall for community use. Bank Erosion Need for airport building for when people have to go to the airport and wait for their flight. Need for updated water and sewer, current water and sewer is outdated. Need for roads to the other side of the river, bridge needed. Drain wet lands for land development. Transportation to pick up kids for school and public transportation. Need a new dump site. Need for fire equipment and funding to maintain equipment for. Tourism needed to bring in revenue and create jobs for community members. Driver's ed class including a driver stimulator for high school students and adults in Alakanuk.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding.

Eek

Completed by: Stella Alexie, <i>Native Village of Eek TA</i>	Date completed: 12-19-2023
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Build new homes. Overcrowding and foundation issues. Climate change and global warming affecting foundation issues and erosion
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Had a permafrost and erosion study. Project complete
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Need to apply for funding to help everyone with foundation issues. Some of these homes are too old to fix
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	Pipes are rising due to permafrost melting. Will become an issue in the future. Need a bigger water tank to meet demand of growing village
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Maintain when issues arise
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Lack of available funds for homes without income. Few homes have been disconnected due to delinquent acts
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	Grocery prices too high. Not enough \$ to buy food. Freight too costly
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Need to fund more people to donate or share food with elders
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Not everyone shares. Some families have no means to subsist with (boats, nets, sno-go)
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	No issues. Everyone satisfied with cellphones and internet (Starlink)
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	More jobs. Hard to find jobs in a small community. More training available

What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Find funding sources to create more jobs
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	Fuel and electricity costs too high
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Provide community applications for LIHEAP and AVCP RHA EVA program
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Most qualify for assistance but a lot of people rely on those programs due to lack of jobs in community. Most barely get enough assistance for the long cold winter
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Cost of fuel - higher airfare rates
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	Another VPO. Provide training for them. Health aides -no one covers when both health aides are gone
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Contacted AVCP with a request for a VPSO
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	Need for daycare. Students need to engage in more cultural activities, i.e. hunting, camping, and gathering. Need to identify traditional medicine and types of food to gather
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	AVCP provides childcare for those who qualify and apply

Georgetown

Completed by: David Kutch, <i>Native Village of Georgetown</i>	Date completed: 12-27-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	The info was provided by tribal administration/council.
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	Providing training, facilities and/or funding for community priorities.
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Building cabins for tribal member usage.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Working with the state to acquire available lands.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	1. Dealing with the municipal land trust. 2. High cost of barging building materials
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	Installing water and sewer availability in our community building.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Developing material lists needed to provide clean water and a working sewer system for our members.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	High cost of transferring/barging materials to Georgetown.
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	Offsetting high grocery costs in rural Alaska.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We have developed a supplemental food assistance program for our members.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Finding revenue sources/grants to provide unrestricted funds.
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	To provide Internet/cell phone service in Georgetown.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Working with Alaska Tribal Spectrum on choosing the best option for our needs.

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Scheduling transportation and installation of necessary materials.
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Provide our members with vocational education and job training for our members.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We have developed a vocational ed. and training funding assistance program.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Finding tribal members to take advantage of the limited time opportunity.
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	Helping all tribal members offset the high costs of energy and fuel in rural and urban areas across the country.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We have developed in utility assistance program for our members.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Not having enough funds to provide more opportunities for our members.
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Providing barge access for material/freight delivery.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Assessing current area targeted for barge access and developing options for 2024.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Purchasing/renting equipment to dredge barge access landing area.
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	1. Purchasing emergency medical equipment (i.e. CPR stuff, first aid kit, etc.) for the community building. 2. Providing CPR/1st aid training for Council, staff & tribal members.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Gathering info from the council on recommend needs.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Finding funding sources for necessary equipment and/or medical training.
Other	

Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	Engage in youth and elder engagement to pass on traditional and ecological knowledge. At the same time, recording these interactions with voice and/or video devices.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Proposing different options to Council and staff members. Waiting on feedback from tribal members.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Developing guidelines for proposed priority. Getting youth and/or tribal members to visit or gather with elders as everyone is geographically split apart.

Kasigluk

Completed by: Nickefer Kassel, <i>Kasigluk Traditional Council TA</i>	Date completed: 1-18-2024
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Existing Community Plans and Kasigluk Traditional Council Leadership
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	Help with coordinating and navigating on resources.
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	New road to Kasigluk's new subdivision.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	BIA finally approved our grant of right of way after 7years.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	The funds for the new road were returned and KTC will need to reapply for a title 6 loan.
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	Renovation of flooring at Kasigluk Akiuk water plant.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Need more resources and assistance on renovating the water damaged flooring at the water plant.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Need help on resources and navigating on where to access funds to renovate the flooring.
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	Kasigluk needs a new grocery store since the store burned down. Groceries and non-groceries prices are very expensive.

What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Kasigluk Inc is still waiting on material to build a new store.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	No plans have been made from our community.
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	Need more cell service carries besides GCI. GCI internet service is really bad here in Kasigluk
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	KTC is getting Starlink for all households but need more cell service carriers in our region.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Need more carriers for cell service other than GCI.
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	KTC has compacted with AVCP for more resources for our community members and scholarships.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Compacted with AVCP for more scholarships and trainings for our community members.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Lack of resources and scholarships also trainings.
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	The community has always relied on the PCE and the windmills. We are not sure if there are more resources to address the cost of electricity costs in our area.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	No steps have been addressed by our community. We would like to get more information on energy resources.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	More education on energy resources for our community and leaders.
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Our roads need better maintenance. The boardwalks at Kasigluk Akiuk needs repair due to erosion.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Our leaders are still working on the long term plan regarding the roads and the boardwalks.

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Need to have community meeting on the long term plan for the roads and boardwalk.
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	Public safety is number 1 priority. Turn over rates are very high and the training is limited for our TPO's.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Our officials have been waiting on a VPSO and would like one here in Kasigluk for leadership for our public safety.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	KTC has requested for a VPSO.
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	Erosion and permafrost thaw is accelerating at Old Kasigluk-Akiuk. Housing is a priority for Kasigluk.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	KTC is working with ANTHC to mitigate the old houses at Kasigluk Akiuk side.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	New road to the new subdivision to build housing.

Kwigillingok

Completed by: Shirley Igkurak, Johnny Friend, Andrew Beaver; <i>Native Village of Kwigillingok TA</i>	Date completed: 2-14-2024
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Appointed staff to complete
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	More capacity building workshops/ training for region to help communities. Construction trades, bookkeeping, financial management
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Housing issue- more than 3 families under one roof. Residential homes are getting old and haven't been renovated. Some families can't afford housing due to housing costs.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Address the housing issue with AVCP, RuralCap, BIA

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Many people apply for housing but the housing limit don't provide enough homes. We need more homes for households with more than one family in one home. More dialogue with tribes
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	Many homes have no flush n haul because they are not being taken care of or being upgraded. There's been maintenance issues also that are not being fixed. Water and sewer needs to be updated because some homes don't use their toilets anymore.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Our community has a plan to start water and sewer project in 2025. Sometimes in the future if we relocate at that new site we will need new system.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Current community homes are spread and its not good for water and sewer systems. Need dialogue with tribes installed systems in tribes.
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	High cost of food and grocery. When our climate change it affects our subsistence food.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Subsistence fishing and hunting.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Weather conditions, global warming affecting some of our region.
Communications	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Everything needs improvements-our internet has outages or bad connection and we need to fix the.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Customers complaining because of paying high cost for cheap internet and cellphone.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	People graduate high school and have no job opportunities until at least how many job openings are posted.
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Majority of high school graduating students but they don't have enough job opportunities in villages. Also some families don't have enough money to send them to college or vocational school
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Supporting students to apply for scholarships.

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	People graduate high school and have no job opportunities until at least how many job openings are posted.
Energy	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	High cost of energy renewable energy maintenance are too high. Our fuel tank farms need upgrading.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Tank farms are priority right now but the project hasn't started.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	High cost of energy if we don't have administrator it affects the process of our projects.
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Airport upgrade. Road airport from barge landing is too far and need to be fixed. Board walk maintenance.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Community members and council are working on it. It is in process.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding and high costs.
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	-Lack of emergency equipment - reorganize search and rescue - emergency medical services - our airport needs lights.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Our tribe needs to request VPSO for the community of Kwigillingok
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding barrier
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	Gathering greens. Fish cutting, egg hunting, camping, fishing, hunting, food processing. Educate young adults.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Cultural heritage is provided at our local school.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	No barriers due to locally being taught by members of community.

Lower Kalskag

Completed by: Phyllis Evan, <i>Village of Lower Kalskag TA</i>	Date completed: 11-2-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	using the fall 2005 community plan note this needs to be updated.
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	Continue to give resources when needed and help with the process of doing any priority correctly
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	We are currently waiting for 1 home to be built in 2024
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We are compacted with AVCP Housing Authority and working currently on the project coming
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Not having enough housing to accommodate families due to the large area AVCP Housing services
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	Getting the new homes connected to the water/sewer system due to lack of funding to cover when complete
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Learning how this can be addressed to meet current need.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	FUNDING
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	Find ways to help keep cost down educate what resources we have and use them
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	application drive with community outreach
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	lack of applicants due to no outreach and a long wait for approval
Communications	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Landline, cell service, and internet
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Homes have Starlink for internet, working with GCI to have better cell service, landline use decreased due to cellular phones now available.

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	GCI drop calls and landline to cell wont work at times, no phone contact with Starlink to discuss issues
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Updating the curriculum to challenge the grades to be at their best, give time for research on jobs and education opportunities on internet
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	internet access has information to share with youth and word by mouth and emailing school on things that may help.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	NO JOBS, Tribal members are wanting to move but are paying attention to the social media and news and high cost of moving with no job in place to help the move
Energy	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Solar street lights, Updating homes to be safe with wiring and other,
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Reading and learning how to achieve the plan
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Lack of grant writing experience, forms change yearly and we have to learn again how to follow through on the reports
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Fix existing roads, trails to be safer
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Transportation is doing ground maintenance
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Equipment, Airline number is low and fare is very high
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	VPSO, Heath aide, counselors, ICWA Worker
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Working with YKHC and AVCP to fill positions
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Lack of qualified applicants
Other	

Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	Teen Center
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Working on creating a teen council
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	No interest from youth

Napaskiak

Completed by: <i>Charity Maxie, Napaskiak Tribal Council</i>	Date completed: 2-9-2024
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	The methods I had used to collect this information was from past knowledge and today's knowledge. Also from meetings.
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	AVCP can start having workshops to help our community in ways like scholarships, childcare, and other services they provide for our community.
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	We need homes, too many crowded and small homes that families have to live in.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Handing out AVCP Housing applications, and informing them to update their applications whenever there is a change.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	People do not turn them in, maybe they need help on how to apply. There is not much funding or grants to make new housings.
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	We need running water, washeteria and a safe water system.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We are in the process of obtaining these services with ANTHC and CRW.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Project will take up to a year to start installing pipes and to build a new water plant.
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	The grocery costs here are high we cannot afford to buy all ingredients (veggies, fruit, etc.)

What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We assisted tribal members with ARPA funds for groceries.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Price of groceries are too high. We have only one store that hardly gets any fresh produce.
Communications	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Some people here are hard to get a hold of because they do not have cell phones and there are about 1/3-1/2 homes that do not have internet access.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We signed on with our resolution with GCI and BNC for fiber optic cable.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	The project is expected to start within a year.
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	There is a lack of jobs in the village.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Directing high school students to available scholarships and were obtaining fuds to open up new positions.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	They do not have enough funding to cover college.
Energy	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Fuel costs are expensive.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Assisting tribal members with ARPA for fuel costs.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Price of fuel is high, we need to get together and help out in any way possible.
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	During break up and freeze up, people cannot travel due to the river condition and high airfare prices.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Cannot do anything about airfare prices.

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	We need to get together and help with lowering the cost of airfare.
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	We need a VPSO to lead our TPO's and fire fighting training and more funding to supply the new police station for TPO's and VPO's.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Hired many TPO's and created a way (schedule) for them to not burn out.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	We have a bunch of turn overs with the police staff. Not enough funds to supply the VPO's and TPO's.
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	

Newtok / Mertarvik

Completed by: Calvin Tom, <i>Newtok Village Council</i>	Date completed: 12-30-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Existing community plans
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Move the remaining village residents from Newtok to Mertarvik
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Working with ANTHC to help move to the new village site
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	TIME, previous admin was almost too late for construction in 2024. We're waiting on ANTHC response for a contractor
Water Sewer	

What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	tier I Water and sewer
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Waiting on ANTHC for update on tier I water and sewer for Mertarvik
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	GCI tower in Mertarvik
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding?
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Create job opportunities
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Need to see what its going to be like FY2024
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Time
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	Generator issues, Fuel tank farm, heavy equipment shop
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Previous project manager looking for funding for fuel tank farm, heavy equipment shop
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	UPC is in deficit
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Road maintenance
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	no current plans, we have a tight schedule with contractors for FY2024
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	Need housing for VPSOs
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	no current plans, we're possibly going to have housing construction. Also New school project will start spring2024

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	time
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	Preschool, church, washerteria
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	tight schedule, possible housing construction summer2024, new school project
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	time

Nunapitchuk

Completed by: Eli J. Wassilie, Native Village of Nunapitchuk TA	Date completed: 1-3-2024
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Gathered joint meeting minutes and found the last one done in July 2020 and we had a general meeting to address C.T.P. for Nunapitchuk.
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	arriving @ \$ amounts for each category.
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	10 houses
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	contact our AVCP RHA rep. to give us houses but they say they skip 4 years until we get one or two.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	audit certification: we are done for 2022.
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	Fiber optic cable
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Contact Ana Hoffman BNC
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	We just have to wait.

Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Carpenters Electricians etc.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Yuut Elitnaurviat Training facilities. Make it free or minimal payment for our low income.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Cost to attend.
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Bridge feasibility 100,000 Nunap City/IRA boardwalks \$2.5 million
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We sent a representative to Washington D.C. and Sen Murkowski's office told us they allocated under transportation money for bridges. City of Nup/IRA MOA on funding \$2.5 million to give \$200,000 cost share. State STIP program to allocate IRA prepared.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Assess consultant to work on making us a bridge.
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	Bulk landfill/culvert river bank erosion-5 million. IRA new office-+400,00 post improvement 300,000.Playground supplies \$200,000
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Thinking somebody get us sand to fill dips then built and erect erosion material. IRA chip in \$300,000LATFunds. Boardwalk development-what is good. Playground supplies-order from catalogs*BIA playdeck is owned by BIA on #1 side. #3 side IRA owns play deck.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Need more money to build.

Ohogamiut

Completed by: Jacob Isaac, <i>Ohogamiut Traditional Council TA</i>	Date completed: 11-2-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Knowledge of community through working at the tribal office.
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	AVCP can help the community by providing local jobs. A lot of jobs in communities are seasonal, so we need year round jobs. We have been working on grant proposals for renewable energy like Solar, Wind, Wood Pellet manufacturing to reduce carbon output and the reduction of the need to use heating oil which is very expensive. The renewable energy will reduce our energy bills, and the wood pellet manufacture process can provide year round jobs for several people. We need to look at other options because the fishing industry is no more, not reliable for commercial fishing, and also to provide food for the community.
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Many homes are overcrowded, and may have multiple families in one home. We need more, affordable housing.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	The tribe has already purchased a wood sawmill that can be used to cut, and build log homes for tribal members.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	The length of time it takes for AVCP to build homes in our community is too long. Our tribe is allocated housing for the community of Marshall, and is less than what we need for our tribal members.
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	We have been waiting for several years for the extension of water and sewer services to a part of the village that has our local Clinic, Headstart building, and now 6 new homes are without water and sewer services.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We have been working with all entities, and also the State, Federal, ANTHC, Summit services for our extension project.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding and equipment, water and sewer pipes for services. We do have the manpower in the village, we just need funding and equipment.
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	Basic grocery prices are way too high due to gas and oil prices in the villages.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We have been providing our tribal members assistance with the unused and remaining funds from Covid to help with fuel, and groceries in the local stores.

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Gas and oil dependence, with current high fuel prices it affects the costs in all areas of our life in the village.
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	The current provider has very high prices for low quality services for cell phones, and internet.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Some local community members have the new Starlink internet. We are also looking for funding to get into the Broadband, fiber optic cable in the next few years.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding, or lack of funding.
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Good quality education for all ages for general knowledge and job retention or job creation.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We would like to compete / raise hourly rates for employee retention with a Cost of Living Allowance provided for employees. Some seasonal jobs take away our workforce for several months out of the year, and if we are able to provide the same pay rate, we could possibly keep our employees working year round.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Lack of funding. The villages have high gas, oil and grocery prices, but low wages. Low wages will not be enough. A lot of families depend on Food Stamps to get by.
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	Reducing the dependence on fossil fuels for energy production.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We have been applying for grants with no success so far. There are other funding opportunities we are looking at right now.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Lack of funding.
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Extremely high prices for airfare, high prices for fuel makes airfare more expensive.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	What can we do to reduce oil prices?
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	High fuel prices.

Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	Seems like Covid is coming back in our region.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We currently have a few local VPOs, but this job has a high turnover rate. We have also not had a VPSO in our community for some time.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	High turnover. Low pay. Burnout.
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	Job creation and retention of employees.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We have been trying to get grants for some job creation.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Being awarded grants.

Oscarville

Completed by: Michael Stevens, Oscarville Traditional Council TA	Date completed: 11-28-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Collected over the phone with Abigail Morgan, Michael spoke to community priorities
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	(1) Overcrowding; (2) Many houses need renovation and weatherization; (3) Need new housing (3 units)
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	(1) Piped water/sewer; (2) Upgrade lagoon
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Recently did a water quality survey, drilled test wells and they didn't produce good water - Now looking at deeper well more toward the north of town
Food Security	

What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	(1) Currently salmon fishing on a non-tributary river which is harder to do for older folks - preference to go directly to the Kuskokwim for fishing since it is nearest and more abundant
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Kuskokwim closure - now have to catch salmon 12midownriver at a non-tributary which is not as accessible
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	(1) Improve internet options; (2) Add more GPS units
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Working on internet options (LATC fund, Starlink, GCI) -trying to connect to fiber network. Also, Michael has been trying to figure out GSA registration expiration with the Security of State
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	hardly anyone has landlines, cell phone coverage is more important (need network range)
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	(1) Need more jobs! - Grant writing, project management (directly manage project vs contracting), orderly, snowplowing; (2) Develop a Head Start program
Energy	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Transition away from fuel use and move to solar
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Took a survey with a department who talked about a solar panel program, feel optimistic for solar on each home, which would lessen the cost of electricity
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Shipping and installation - 5yr outlook
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	(1) AVCP Transportation road set up to Bethel; (2) Snowplowing opportunities
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Made several road improvements this past year
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	It will take ~5-6yrs before getting to Bethel safely - could start road improvements earlier in season (only had 2-3months of work this past year)
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	(1) Don't currently have any VPOs/TPOs - need funding for this role (and need a station closer by - the close stone is in Bethel); (2) Add secondary health aide

Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	(1) AVCP childcare works well (despite having lots of paperwork) - make it more affordable

Paimut

Completed by: Colleen Timmer, <i>Native Village of Paimiut TA</i>	Date completed: 12-27-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	In collaboration with the Native Village of Hooper Bay, as most of our community members live there. We used the information from current assessments going on for other projects.
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	Assist in finding funding.
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Building more houses
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Working with Rural Cap and AVCP
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding/ availability of land
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	Bringing households who do not have water and sewer onto the water and sewer system.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We starting working with ARUC
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding/ personnel
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	Finding opportunities to bring food costs down.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We applied for a LFPA Plus grant and received it.

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Freight costs
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	Getting reliable internet to all households
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We worked with the federal government on grants for Starlink
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Getting funding
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Helping to create jobs for our community members, and looking for funding for education.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	We created many jobs with our treasury funding.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Having future funding to keep people hired.
Energy	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Finding cleaner energy solutions.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Researching what can work for our community.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Finding ways to move people to Paimiut.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Planning and researching
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding
Health, Wellness, and Safety	

What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	Getting these services to our tribal members
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Working to try to get VPO/TPOs hired, keeping our search and rescue teams.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding, personnel
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	Getting the community/youth and elders building up and running
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Starting planning on activities/ ways to get it running
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	funding to do projects to pay the building costs

Pitka's Point

Completed by: Marilyn Sipary, Pitka's Point Traditional Council	Date completed: 12-19-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Council meeting
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	Help apply for funding
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	New Tribal Office/Hall building
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Begin planning meetings with leadership, reach out for grant writer, pursue funding
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	unskilled staff or no staff to pursue grant funding
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	repair sewer connection 1 home, connect 2 homes new water & sewer, connect 1 public building

What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	site visit by ANTHC to get guidance
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	funding
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	families need food, most are low-income families on public assistance (food stamps)
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	apply for FEMA aid. reach out to other regional organizations for guidance
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	funding- costs are so high here in rural Alaska.
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	broadband enhancement
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	applied for Tribal Library grant to get started with community internet infrastructure
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	funds and skilled staff
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	trainings for locals to be job ready
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	apply for funding and reach out to agencies for help
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	limited staff & funding
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	solar power options to reduce electricity expenses
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	just started research
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	unskilled staff

Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	snow removal equipment upgrade
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	trying to work with the regional non-profit AVCP who runs the TTP for the tribe
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	funds
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	Healthy Families - Improve safety around community
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	street signs, brush cutting for blind spots, AVCP healthy family workshop
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	funding
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	grant writer- grant management
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	transfer TA to grant Manager - try to hire new TA
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	lack of skilled workers locally

Quinhagak

Completed by: Darren Cleveland, <i>Native Village Of Kwinhagak</i>	Date completed: 11-21-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Sent 2019 City-Tribal MOA
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	(1) Emergency Housing / Shelter / Transitional Homes,(2) Approach CVRF to utilize Bunkhouses at Fish Plant

Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	(1) Clean up old dump across from Washeteria
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Relocate Day Care/Headstart Center to School
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	School expansion
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	(1) Tribal Buildings - investigate on-site systems, (2) Develop district heating systems combined with renewable energy systems (i.e. wind), (3) Tribal/City Bulk Fuel Tank Farm Facility
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	(1) Land Status Map for River Corridor from village to USFWS boundary, (2) Provide access to two short term-pits upriver (adjacent to existing pits), (3) Evacuation Route A: Upriver Borrow Source
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	(1) Develop a Clinic/Subregional Clinic, (2) Search and Rescue Equipment, (3) Fire Fighting Equipment
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	(1) Develop local Facility for local museum, cultural heritage display center, visitor's center, local arts & crafts, (2) Cultural Week (both Community Cultural and Youth), (3) Language & History Preservation

Stony River

Completed by: Mary Willis, <i>Stony River Traditional Council TA</i>	Date completed: 12-20-2023
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	Mary (Tribal Administrator) answered via phone call with Abigail Morgan. Will send these notes out to Mary and update if there's a community meeting prior to January 12th.
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	We could use honest help from AVCP - we see other villages getting support and want to be included. Why have we been excluded from getting resources and support? Would like AVCP to actually listen to us and support us. It's like having a wife and a husband, and the husband is present but not being supportive - this is how we feel AVCP's role with the Stony River community has been. Please show through actions that you hear us and are willing to support us the way you support other communities. Over a year ago, Mary had to fight to get 6mo/9mo tribal priority money. During this time, she had to fight to get updates and adequate support. Why does our community only get \$80k to run a tribal office, when we're paying \$13/gal to drive our vehicle. We want inclusivity and equity from AVCP and don't feel as though we've received that.
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	Need housing weatherization. We don't have very much overcrowding
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Having enough people to continually work until the program is done (there are not a lot of people in the community to support this work); getting the material via freight is also a large issue
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	Get more support to go into other allotments and spread out the well systems
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	Doing renovations with water sewer
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Again too small of a workforce to support the needed work. Do have a challenge with equipment (undercurrent grant can only repair equipment and not purchase new equipment). This is quite prohibitive since repairs have been far more expensive than buying new equipment.
Food Security	
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Coastal people need to stop being selfish with their catches, this behavior impacts our community.
Communications	
What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	Problem with AT&T service (goes in and out). Would like a radio tower - when working outside, would like to hear the news via the radio versus television.

What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Putting in a cell tower (people in charge of this process don't want to do it because it is too small of a community).
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	Have an issue with the school district (we are the last one up the river). Our school is so dilapidated and we get sent expired food to feed our students. When we try to raise these concerns at school board meetings, they often hurry us along and don't work to address the glaring issues that our community is bringing up. We also do not have enough qualified people to teach and they are not being compensated according to the job they are doing (teacher aide v. teaching role).
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	People are sending their children to boarding school because the school district doesn't support stronger education in Stony River. Job shortage and capacity issues
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	Don't have a gas station, have to get fuel flown in (boated, or snow machined in) and it costs ~\$13-\$18/gal. Really need their own tank farm - would rather the village do it (not for profit) just make our moneyback. Don't have wind, but it would be nice to have solar panels (our rates are at \$0.87 a kilowatt/hr).
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	Lion Air operates in our community, but hardly ever comes (most community members can hardly get into Bethel). Due to climate change, it now takes forever for the river to freeze up which causes issues down the line for getting off of the island. Many people have been cutting trees on the island and it's degrading the environment due to the high cost of fuel and snowmachines
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	Really old (~30 yo) hut house; that wasn't suitable for a clinic. Got on YKHC board to support the development of a clinic. The former health aide is now teaching at the school since there are no other candidates which takes away a crucial role from the community
Other	
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	No mail for four weeks at a time

Tuntutuliak

Completed by: Roland White, <i>Tuntutuliak Traditional Council</i>	Date completed: 1-17-2024
In a few sentences, please describe the method used to collect this information. What information or processes did you use?	The gathering of these responses are from immediate needs of the community. All compiled from different meeting and from in person site visits.
How can AVCP support your community in addressing your priorities?	AVCP could spear head in looking into more accessible non-competitive grants that compacted tribes have. They could travel out to communities quarterly to assess their needs.
Housing	
What is your top Housing priority or project for this topic?	After Typhoon Merbok most homes need repairs to them also overcrowding is an issue.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	-Looking into weatherizing and leveling homes for the immediate future, working with rural cap. - Construction of 4 new units will start summer of 2024 but need more funds to build more homes.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	- Funding issues.
Water Sewer	
What is your top Water Sewer priority or project for this topic?	-Need a new washeteria - Water/sewer issue since watering point is 0 washeteria and the sewer lagoon is not up to code.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	-Looking into new washeteria construction w/ VSW as well as looking into pipe system for the community w/ANTHC.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Funding and planning
Food Security	
What is your top Food Security priority or project for this topic?	-Food is just too expensive in the local marts & stores
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	-Local store owners looking for venders that may sell bulk items for less.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	Remote shipping costs
Communications	

What is your top Communications priority or project for this topic?	-Being in a remote area the cost of both line & cellphone services as well as internet services are way too high.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	-To date nothing we could do about this.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	-Too few carriers in our region.
Education and Jobs	
What is your top Education and Jobs priority or project for this topic?	-Job availability - Further education and training attendees.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	-Looking into new opportunities for employment possibilities. -For educational and training needs, workforce development has looked into few opportunity.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	-Funding - Interested individuals
Energy	
What is your top Energy priority or project for this topic?	-Cost of electrical bill connection too high, older homes wiring problems
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	-nothing to address it yet but electrical company deducts from assistance from state.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	-no public meetings to address it from electrical company
Transportation	
What is your top Transportation priority or project for this topic?	-village road issues
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	-Having funding to maintain the roads, making plans and purchasing equipment to address there.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	-need to find funds to create new roads to new subdivisions.
Health, Wellness, and Safety	
What is your top Health, Wellness, and Safety priority or project for this topic?	-search and rescue issues - Fire equipment issues.

What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	-have addressed the local VPSO to conduct a volunteer search/rescue meeting to re-organize and reinstate teams. - looking into purchasing equipment to replace that was burned few years ago.
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	-volunteer individuals. - Funding
Other	
Does your community have any additional priority projects not listed above?	-Village safety issues especially addressing substance/chemical abuse issue.
What are you doing currently or what steps have you taken to address that priority project?	-have been trying to work with WANNT (Troopers).
What is the biggest barrier to making progress on your top priority project?	-have not been able to get in contact w/ Drug enforcement Department w/ Troopers in Anchorage office.