

**University of Alaska  
FY26 Midyear Status Report**

Item No.	Appropriation / Allocation	Description	Amount / Fund Source	LFD Questions
1	University of Alaska / Budget Reductions/Additions - Systemwide	Denied Salary Increases for Non-Union University Employees	Total: \$8,766.1 \$2,124.6 Fed Rcpts (Fed) \$5,352.3 Gen Fund (UGF) \$1,289.2 Univ Rcpt (DGF) <b>SalAdj</b>	The legislature denied the Governor's requested 2.75% wage increase for non-union staff at the University. The University still paid the increase. How has the University paid for this? Was the University able to use Federal authority for the \$2.1 million portion?
<b>Agency Response</b>				
				Providing competitive wages and benefits for all university employees is a top priority. Historically, UA's non-union staff have received annual wage adjustments similar to those of unionized employees. Internal reallocations and strategic cost control measures allowed the university to move forward with planned FY2026 compensation increases for all employees. Restricted funds, mostly federal, provide approximately twenty percent of the compensation funding. UA is closely monitoring restricted funds and university receipts to ensure sufficient budget authority is available to cover FY2026 expenditures.
2	University of Alaska / Various	University Receipt Authority to Maintain UAA and UAF Athletics	\$3,000.0 Univ Rcpt (DGF) <b>IncOTI</b>	How much additional UA Receipts have been collected without the corresponding requested UGF investment?
<b>Agency Response</b>				
				<p>UAA Seawolf Athletics projects a \$500,000 increase in UA receipts in FY2026 through earned revenue, sponsorships, and private philanthropic support, demonstrating strong community investment in Athletics. Absent the UGF investment intended to help stabilize and accelerate the program's competitiveness and effectiveness—supporting long-term academic, community, and enrollment benefits—UAA continues to prioritize growth in ticket sales, sponsorship development, and philanthropic engagement.</p> <p>UAF Athletics is positioned to generate an additional \$300,000 in UA receipts in FY2026 through increased student enrollment, ticket sales, cash sponsorships, and sponsorship trade transactions that support all areas of the department. This revenue growth, however, is not accompanied by a commensurate increase in UGF investment and is insufficient to fully stabilize the program and operations, including travel support, equipment, and student scholarships to increase competitiveness.</p>
3	University of Alaska / Various	Recruitment, Retention, & Graduation Support	\$4,900.0 Univ Rcpt (DGF) 21 PFT Positions <b>IncOTI</b>	Has the university been able to generate any of these UA receipts without the requested UGF portion? How many of the positions have been filled and how many does UA anticipate trying to fill?

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	<b>Agency Response</b> Recent UA Board of Regents one-time investments (FY2025 \$1.0 million and FY2026 \$2.5 million) have expedited efforts aimed at improving UA student recruitment, retention, and graduation. Many of these one-time investments were programs/positions included in prior legislative requests. While these one-time investments are increasing enrollment and generating additional revenue, additional ongoing/base funding will be necessary to sustain these efforts.			
4	University of Alaska / Troth Yeddha' Campus	Food Security: Create Waste Stream Value-Added Recycling Program and Community Rural Development and Engagement Program	\$600.0 Univ Rcpt (DGF) 1 PFT Position <b>Inc</b>	Has the university been able to generate any of these UA receipts without the requested UGF portion? How many of the positions have been filled and how many does UA anticipate trying to fill?
	<b>Agency Response</b> Without state investment, the Institute of Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Extension (IANRE) has not been able to secure or generate revenue from non-state sources for FY2026 to date. Since these new programs were not funded, IANRE will be unable to fill any positions until funding has been secured.			
5	University of Alaska / Systemwide Services	Reduce Board of Regents Expenses on Travel, Catering, and Support Staff	(\$81.7) Gen Fund (UGF) <b>Dec</b>	How has the BOR absorbed this reduction? Will there be less planned travel and catering for BOR meetings?
	<b>Agency Response</b> For FY2026, UA Board of Regents operations realized salary savings through a vacancy in board support staff. In addition, other than the quarterly meetings, board travel was limited, as special committee meetings were held via Zoom. Board staff continue to look for ways to reduce in-person meeting costs.			