Project Objective(s):
The Aleknagik Traditional Council (ATC) will demonstrate how to start a house-to-house trash collection program, with user fees. The program will address issues of difficult landfill access by community residents and lake crossing safety by waste technicians.

Results:
- New equipment purchased.
- Community support demonstrated for new collection service.
- Local job created.

Benefits:
- Disposal of trash easier for households.
- Community-service utility established.
- Successful community-support incentive.
- Partnership between local governments established for service fee collection.
- Reduced number of residents visiting the landfill (which helps minimize health risks)

Lessons Learned:
- It may take a very, very long time to fill a position.
- Need to be careful and thoughtful on how position/job announcements are developed, to encourage applicant interest.
- Community youth wants to be involved.
- Telephone surveys worked better than mailed out surveys.

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Zender project website: [http://zendergroup.org/cedp.html](http://zendergroup.org/cedp.html)
Grant orientation on reporting and other recipient requirements

Developed job posting for collector position and started advertisement

Sent letters out to households about new service.

Hosted several Council and community meetings throughout the project to discuss the project & hiring of the collector (also in Mar, Sept, Dec)

Start community education & outreach efforts

Work done prior to March 2012

Need for trash collection service identified.
Community support gathered for grant proposal.
Wrote and submitted successful proposal.

Hired Collection Operator!!

Presented Project at Annual AFE in Anchorage.

Developed project presentation. Requested grant time extension.

Determined that the youth group couldn't perform collector duties due to legal reasons

Phone call followup to residents about collection service

Still waiting to fill position

Snow machine, 4-wheeler and other supplies begin to arrive

Still waiting to fill position

Aleknagik awarded Zender CEDP grant.

Requested grant time extension.

Developed project presentation.