



Construction & Renovation Guidance for COVID Funding

January 2024

Expiration of COVID Funding

Remember, all COVID Funding expires September 30, 2024, and construction must be completed by September 30, 2024.

- Construction delays, labor shortages, and supply chain issues do not extend funding deadlines.
- For any construction projects that won't be completed by September 30, 2024, please reach out to DEED.CARES@alaska.gov to discuss options.
- Unspent construction funds will revert to the US Treasury.
- Construction projects funded with federal funds require compliance with Davis Bacon even if the project is continued with non-federal funds.

Construction & Renovation Considerations

Organizations using Federal funds (such as COVID Discretionary Funding) for minor remodeling, renovation, repair, or construction contracts over \$2,000 must meet all Davis-Bacon prevailing wage requirements and include language in the contracts that all contractors or subcontractors must pay wages that are not less than those established for the locality of the project (prevailing wage rates) (20 U.S.C. 1232b Labor Standards).

Support is available from the following offices:

- [Alaska's Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Labor Standards and Safety Division](#)
- [US Department of Labor, Government Contracts Assistance Department](#)

At a minimum, organizations should:

- include language in contracts about the requirement to pay Davis Bacon prevailing wages;
- verify the contractor paid prevailing wages weekly;
- verify the contractor submitted certified weekly payroll; and
- keep copies of certified payroll for 3 years after project completion.

If an organization has already completed a construction project and has concerns about missing some of the above requirements, please contact DEED.CARES@alaska.gov to further discuss.

2023 Updates to Davis-Bacon

Effective October 23, 2023, the Department of Labor updated regulations issued under the Davis-Bacon and Related Acts. The new regulations to apply to any federally funded construction and/or renovation contracts in excess of \$2,000. The legislation can be found here: <https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2023-08-23/pdf/2023-17221.pdf>

Further details, FAQs, and comparison charts can be found here: <https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/government-contracts/construction/rulemaking-davis-bacon>

