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Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) Partners With Scenic Park Elementary Staff volunteers for Buddy Reading Program

ANCHORAGE, AK, October 7, 2014 - AHFC has entered into a School Business Partnership with Scenic Park Elementary School located on 3933 Patterson Street in Anchorage close to AHFC headquarters. The first event to kick-off the partnership is National Walk to School Day on October 8. Volunteers from AHFC will be walking students to school and serving hot chocolate.

Going forward, AHFC is joining the Reading Buddy program that will allow an employee to be matched with a student who needs help reading. They will meet once per week for an hour. "I'm proud to support this School Business Partnership by allowing our employees to participate in the Reading Buddy program. My mother was a teacher and I believe reading skills are essential to success in life. Our collective efforts will make a difference for the students," says AHFC's CEO Executive Director Bryan Butcher.

Scenic Park Elementary has 400 kindergarten – fifth grade students and believes strongly that social and emotional learning are the foundation of academic achievement.

Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC) is a public corporation with a long history of providing Alaskans access to safe, quality and affordable housing through home financing programs, energy efficiency and weatherization programs, public housing and more. Since 1986, AHFC has contributed \$1.9 billion to the State of Alaska's General Fund.

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