



Accounting and Administrative Manual

Section 100: Accounting and Finance

Petty Cash and Change Funds

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General:

This procedure details the establishing, reducing, eliminating and transferring of petty cash and change funds. For general information and the requirements and restrictions for change funds see C-03 “Change Funds” and for petty cash funds see C-04 “Petty Cash Funds” in Section 100 in the University of Alaska Accounting and Administrative Manual.

Establishing Funds:

Relevant Department or Individual

1. Prepares written request to the appropriate campus chief financial officer or designee, for establishment or increase of a fund indicating:
 1. Name, Employee I.D. # and department mailing address of custodian
 2. Proposed amount
 3. Estimated volume of activity and duration required
 4. Date required
 5. Intended use of the fund
2. Delivers request to the appropriate campus chief financial officer or designee.

Campus Chief Financial Officer or Designee

3. Reviews request for reasonableness of need and amount.
4. If denied, request is returned to originator with appropriate explanation.
5. If approved or modified, originator is notified and request is forwarded to the business office.



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Appropriate Accounting Clerk

6. Prepares check requisition, charging:

XXXXXX-00000-0191 (Change Fund)
or
XXXXXX-00000-0192 (Petty Cash)

Direct deposit into a personal bank account is not allowed for establishing or replenishing change or petty cash funds.

7. Updates listing or card file of outstanding cash funds.

Appropriate Financial Officer

8. Approves check requisition

Accounts Payables Clerk

9. Enters requisition into Accounts Payable System, payable to “Petty Cash – (department name)”.
10. Sends Custodian appropriate sections out of the University of Alaska Accounting and Administrative Manual governing the type of fund being established. (C-03 Change Funds; C-04 Petty Cash Funds)

Petty Cash Custodian

11. Endorses check and exchanges for cash.

Reducing or Eliminating Funds:

Fund Custodian

1. Requests reimbursement for all expenditures to bring the fund to the authorized amount.
2. Notifies the appropriate campus chief financial officer or designee in writing of intent to reduce or eliminate the fund.



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Campus Chief Financial Officer or Designee

3. Approves or rejects request in writing.
4. If approved, forwards request to appropriate accounting clerk.

Current Fund Custodian

5. Prepares a receipt for the transfer of the fund to new custodian.
6. The current custodian, the new custodian, and department head or fiscal officer must sign the receipt and retain copies to document the appropriate transfer of the complete fund.

Appropriate Accounting Clerk

7. Updates listing or card file of outstanding cash funds, based on approved request received from the campus chief financial officer or designee.