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**Doyon, Limited Awards Language Revitalization Grants**

*Fairbanks, Alaska* – Doyon, Limited recently awarded Language Revitalization grants to six organizations in Interior Alaska totaling approximately \$30,000. Shageluk’s language immersion camp was awarded \$4,625, Beaver Cruikshank School’s Gwitch’in music CD was awarded, \$4,989, Telida Village Council’s audio and video recordings of language speakers was awarded \$4,950, Alatna Tribal Council’s immersion/culture camp was rewarded \$5,000, Denakkanaaga’s language sessions was awarded \$4,560, and Circle Tribal Council’s language and culture camp was awarded \$5,000.

In 2012, the Doyon, Limited board of directors approved a budget for grants that promote the preservation of Native languages within the Doyon region. The awardees were selected because their projects were rated the highest. The reviews were completed independently of one another and were rated on the scope of work, budget (and other sources of funding), and community support.

“Doyon’s board is supportive of the villages within the Doyon region working to preserve our Native languages. Supporting language revitalization efforts goes hand in hand with Doyon’s mission of strengthening our Native way of life,” said Geri Simon, Senior Vice President of Administration.

Headquartered in Fairbanks, Doyon, Limited has more than 18,700 shareholders and was established under the 1971 Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act. Doyon, one of the top 10 Alaskan-owned companies, is also the largest private landowner in Alaska and one of the largest in North America. Its mission is to continually enhance its position as a financially strong Native corporation in order to promote the economic and social well-being of its shareholders and future shareholders, to strengthen its Native way of life, and to protect and enhance its land and resources. For more information, visit [www.doyon.com](http://www.doyon.com).

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