

Angoon

Relocation Guide



 **SEARHC**
healthy is **here.**



OUR GUIDING PRINCIPLES

OUR MISSION

Alaska Native People working in partnership to provide the best healthcare for our communities.

OUR VISION

Partnering with our communities to promote a healthy balance of mind, body and spirit.

OUR VALUES

Respect
Cultural Identity
Service
Professionalism
Compassion

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WEATHER

Angoon's climate is similar to other areas of Southeast Alaska and Pacific Northwest coastal areas. Winters are mild with some snow and temperatures in the 20s and 30s. Summers are cool with light winds.

WHAT TO SEE AND DO

The Angoon village offers a rich history to explore. Its residents' strong ties to the Tlingit culture is reflected in traditional Clan houses and their totems, which serve as a magnificent backdrop for community celebrations.

For those who enjoy kayaking, a 32-mile trail system begins in Angoon and links to eight major lakes and seven portages, allowing paddlers to travel from the east end of Mitchell Bay to Mole Harbor in Seymour Canal. For those who prefer to hike, a sand spit and observation tower along the creek are accessible via a one-mile trail.

ABOUT ANGOON

SEARHC's Jessie Norma Him Health Center

SEARHC's Health Center in Angoon is staffed with an advanced practice provider and a consulting physician who also provides clinics on a quarterly basis. Our providers are supported by a registration clerk, referral coordinator and clinical assistant. Visiting specialties include dentistry (general, pediatric and prosthodontics), physical therapy, pediatrics, a diabetes team, the WISEWOMAN program and mobile mammogram.

About the Community

- Close-knit, Alaska Native village that continues to be steeped in culture.
- Abundance of subsistence opportunities in hunting, fishing, canning and berry picking.
- Opportunity to connect with the community through the schools, sports and traditional celebrations.

Hear From the Providers

"Over the past 5 years, I have enjoyed practicing in a small community where I get to know the patient and their extended family. Watching the multigenerational families grow has been a pleasure." — Diana Lachman, FNP-C

"I thoroughly love the variety of patients I see in a given day. One day included cerumen impaction, well women exam, well child check, otitis externa, a chest XR and a patient for medication-assisted treatment. Truly primary care!" — Sara Lang, FPN-C

Hear From the Patients

"Without SEARHC and the providers who staff it, we would have no healthcare" — Calvin Washington

"The impact of the clinic's presence is immeasurable and there are too many stories. Dear to my heart was the ability to have my father-in-law pass away at home surrounded by his family. Without the clinic and the providers who staff it, this would not have been possible" — Deborah McCluskey

RECREATIONAL AND OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

Popular Trails

Cemetery Trail is a well-used trail that goes through the cemetery and links up with the Danger Point Trail – you will see a short trail located just north of Angoon.

The Cross Admiralty Canoe Route, a 32-mile water trail between Angoon and Seymour Canal, links seven mountain lakes, trails and portages that allow for kayak and canoe travel across the island. It's an amazing adventure for experienced independent travelers, especially with Forest Service cabins providing shelter along the way.

Danger Point Trail is a heavily forested area located just north of Angoon and towards the Danger Point area. (2.5 miles)

Other Activities

Pack Creek Tours – Led by a guide, this tour is a quarter mile along a rocky beach that takes you to a spit overlooking a meadow where you can observe bears fishing in the creek or foraging along the shoreline.

A Day on the Water – Spend the day fishing, or just float along watching for marine life. Whale-watching makes for a particularly unforgettable experience, as orcas can be seen swimming about and humpback whales perform exhilarating acrobatic displays as they feed.

A Stroll on the Beach – Explore the shores of Angoon's beaches and uncover the natural treasures brought in from the sea, including the coveted Japanese glass buoys. Angoon boasts of a variety of beach types, from sandy and shale to pebble and clay.

Kayaking/Canoeing – For those who prefer to take in the scenery from the water, Angoon offers 32-miles of water trail to explore by kayak or canoe.

Bird Watching – Countless breeds of birds, including eagles, kingfishers, hummingbirds, sparrows, swans and migrating geese can be observed from many choice locations across the island.

SCHOOL

Angoon School

500 Big Dog Salmon Way, PO Box 209

907.788.3302

chatham.sd.org

Daycare & Preschool

Space is limited in Southeast Alaska child care facilities. Call ahead of time to get on the waitlist for placements before you move.

Angoon Head Start

727 Aandeina St

(907) 788-3109

ccthita.org/services/family/head-start/index.html

CHURCH

Angoon Assembly of God Church

907.788.3171

DINING

There are no restaurants in Angoon, so you must bring food with you, purchase sundries and snacks at the general store, or plan to stay in one of two lodges that offer dining halls.

Most travelers do their shopping before they get to Angoon. There is a 50-pound weight limit on you flight into Angoon, so keep that in mind. (You can take more, but you'll pay an overweight fee)

Also note that Angoon is a dry community and it is illegal to possess or consume alcohol anywhere within the village limits.

GROCERY STORE

Angoon Trading Co.

907.788.3111

POST OFFICE

USPS Angoon Post Office

705 Aandeinatt St.

800.275.8777

usps.com

TRANSPORTATION

Air: Alaska Seaplanes offers daily floatplane service to Angoon. By seaplane, it's a 30-minute trip. You'll land on the water and taxi to the floatplane dock, which is about ¼ of a mile from town.

Road: Angoon is not accessible by road.

Water: Angoon is accessible by ferry. The ferry is a five-hour trip from Juneau, followed by a 3-mile trek into town.

GAS STATION

Angoon Oil and Gas Co.	907.788.3436
Old Kootznahoo Rd.	

UTILITIES

Inside Passage Electric Cooperative	907.788.3319	insidepassageelectric.org
12480 Mendenhall Loop Rd		
Juneau, AK 99801		
GCI Communications	800.800.4800	gci.com

REAL ESTATE AGENT RECOMMENDATION

Mary Wanzer	907.617.0196	coastalak.com/properties/maryw
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SHIPPING

Shipping your vehicle, furniture and other belongings.

Alaska Marine Lines

Alaska Marine Lines offers regular service between Seattle and Southeast Alaska, Central Alaska and Hawaii, as well as seasonal service to Western Alaska. For more information, please visit lynden.com or call 800.326.8346.

Alaska Marine Highway System (AMHS)

Alaska's footprint is more than 650,000 square miles and much of that has no road access. The primary forms of transportation in areas without roads are by air or sea, so the Alaska Marine Highway is a big part of the "highway system." It is such a unique set of water routes that it has been designated as a National Scenic Byway and an All-American Road, the only marine route with this distinction. Shipping can include vehicles, trailers and pets.

With its southernmost port in Bellingham, Washington, the Alaska Marine Highway System extends more than 3,500 miles to Dutch Harbor, with over 30 stops along the way. Taking a ferry is an excellent way to see a huge swath of Alaska's coastline while visiting unique communities along the way. For reservations, call 800.642.0066, email dot.ask.amhs@alaska.gov or book online at dot.alaska.gov.

PET TRAVEL TO ALASKA

AMHS Pet Policies

Alaska state ferries do allow pets on board all vessels.

- When traveling on the ferry your pet must remain on the car deck in your vehicle for the entire sail.
- If you are traveling on the ferry without a car, your pet must remain in a suitable pet carrier on the car deck during the entire sail.
- Pets are not allowed above the car deck or in passenger cabins. Owners may visit their pets on the car deck only while vessels are in port. Owners are also given the opportunity to attend to pets several times per day during extended sailings. This is done through the purser who will announce on board when the car deck will be open for approximately 15 minutes. During rough weather, at the purser's discretion, car deck calls can be canceled due to safety issues with passengers on the car deck. If this happens, no access to your pet is possible at that time.
- Owners will have the opportunity to disembark and walk their pets while vessels are in port.
- Dogs, cats, and other household pets cost approximately \$50 in or out of Bellingham and \$25 to or from Prince Rupert. Pet travel between any of the other ports is free.
- There is no charge on any route for a certified service animal accompanying a person with a disability. At the time of booking, please notify the reservations agent if you are traveling with a certified service animal and the reservations agent will inform all AMHS terminal and shipboard staff. Only certified service animals are allowed on passenger decks aboard Alaska Marine Highway vessels. Comfort and therapy animals are required to follow the AMHS pet policy and will be restricted to the car deck.

Vaccination Documentation Required

Pets must have a health certificate with proof of current rabies vaccination issued within 30 days of travel. Health records are required for pets entering the state of Alaska, and will need to be shown in Bellingham, Washington, or Prince Rupert, British Columbia before boarding.

A certificate of health is not required for pets when traveling between Alaskan ports. For travel by road through Canada, proof of a rabies vaccination within the last three years is required, but passengers should check directly with Canadian customs for additional information.

Pet Air Travel to Alaska

- Space for pets traveling in the cabin or in the cargo compartment is subject to availability. For travel on Alaska Airlines and Ravn Alaska, please contact Alaska Airlines reservations at 800.252.7522 or alaskaair.com. If your plans include travel on another airline, please contact the carrier directly to reserve space, determine fees and obtain additional information.
- Note: Alaska Airlines does not transfer pets traveling in the baggage compartment to other carriers. Pets must be claimed and rechecked to the connecting carrier.