



ARAPAHOE COUNTY

Arapahoe County
Cultural Council
2024/2025
SCFD Tier III Recommendations



Purpose

- Provide background on Scientific Cultural & Facilities District funding process
- Present grant funding recommendations to Board of County Commissioners
- Seek concurrence for advancing recommendations for formal action July 23, 2024



About SCFD

- The Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) is a seven-county tax district created within state statute and renewed by voters multiple times over more than 30 years.
- One penny on every \$10 in sales and use tax collected goes to SCFD. This money is then given out annually to qualifying organizations both through funding formulas as well as a competitive grant program.
- County Cultural Councils run the competitive grant program for local arts, culture, and science organizations, making funding recommendations to the Board.



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13 Members; Term Length: 3 years; Term Limit: 2 consecutive terms

- Trina Campbell, Chairperson
- Carolyn Moershel
- Cathy Pomeroy
- George H. Peck
- Joanna Floribus
- Stephanie Spriggs
- Athena Lansing
- Dominique Christina
- Elizabeth Watson
- Mackenzie Tennery



GRANT PROCESS

- Organizations must first receive eligibility through SCFD. The process opens in April and the deadline for eligibility applications is in September.
- Eligible organizations may start applying at the beginning of the year.
- Multi-county grant deadline, March 6, 2024.
- Single-county grant deadline, March 13, 2024.
- March 23-May 11, ACCC weekly study sessions



General Operating Support (GOS)

- Unrestricted funds available for organizations whose programming benefits the residents of Arapahoe County.
- Only organizations that are based in Arapahoe County and/or have attendees of which at least 51% are Arapahoe County residents may apply for GOS.
- The GOS funding request must not exceed 30% of the previous year's expenses or revenues, whichever is less.
- Funding decisions for the 2024 grant application will be made using financials from the organizations' most recently completed fiscal year.



Project Funding

- A restricted grant given to support a specific event or connected set of activities that occur within Arapahoe County or benefit Arapahoe County residents.
- The project must have a beginning and an end date, explicit objectives, and a predetermined cost.
- The funding request may not exceed more than 50% of the total project budget.
- The project must demonstrate that it specifically benefits the residents of Arapahoe County.
- For multi-county applicants applying to Arapahoe County, an Arapahoe County-only project budget is requested.



Funding Recommendations

- Total 2024 Funds Available: \$2,678,644.40
 - \$1,687,545.97 - GOS
 - \$991,098.43 - Project
 - Organizations can only apply for one.

- 94 total organizations being funded



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Organization	Funding Type	Amount Requested	Amended Amount	Final Recommended Amount
Downtown Aurora Visual Arts	General Operating Support	\$ 150,000.00		\$ 136,200.00
City of Aurora Open Space & Natural Resources	General Operating Support	\$ 100,000.00		\$ 89,600.00
City of Englewood Cultural Division	General Operating Support	\$ 32,000.00		\$ 32,000.00
Littleton Town Hall Arts Center	General Operating Support	\$ 220,000.00		\$ 187,820.00
Feel the Beat Corp	General Operating Support	\$ 94,355.00		\$ 81,729.16
Englewood Cultural Arts Center Association	General Operating Support	\$ 62,500.00		\$ 55,750.00
Vintage Theatre Productions	General Operating Support	\$ 260,219.78		\$ 211,370.11
Littleton Symphony Orchestra	General Operating Support	\$ 27,000.00		\$ 25,520.00
Young Voices of Colorado	General Operating Support	\$ 131,618.47	\$ 126,819.30	\$ 101,129.03
Kantorei	General Operating Support	\$ 109,712.00		\$ 87,722.85
Spoke N Motion Dance	General Operating Support	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 4,204.80	\$ 4,204.80
Magic Moments	General Operating Support	\$ 30,000.00		\$ 27,320.00
Philippine American Society of Colorado	General Operating Support	\$ 17,000.00		\$ 17,000.00
Grand Design	General Operating Support	\$ 20,000.00	\$ 19,084.06	\$ 19,084.06
Museum of Outdoor Arts	General Operating Support	\$ 175,000.00		\$ 133,800.00
Aurora Singers	General Operating Support	\$ 10,934.00		\$ 10,934.00
Aurora Symphony Orchestra	General Operating Support	\$ 18,074.00	\$ 18,073.80	\$ 18,073.80
Denver Bronze	General Operating Support	\$ 2,500.00		\$ 2,500.00
Littleton Community Music Association	General Operating Support	\$ 35,000.00		\$ 30,480.00
David Taylor's Zikr Dance Ensemble	General Operating Support	\$ 65,805.00		\$ 52,906.04
Arapahoe Philharmonic	General Operating Support	\$ 73,518.45		\$ 56,933.28
Littleton Fine Arts Guild	General Operating Support	\$ 7,000.00		\$ 7,000.00
South Suburban Parks and Recreation - Nature Programs	General Operating Support	\$ 45,235.00		\$ 36,478.73
Voices West	General Operating Support	\$ 24,000.00		\$ 21,088.00



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Phamaly Theatre Company	Hunter Heartbeat Project	\$ 26,485.66		\$ 25,227.03
Access Gallery	Mobile Arts Studio	\$ 30,000.00		\$ 28,240.00
New Dance Theatre	Arts-in-Education	\$ 58,000.00		\$ 50,668.00
Colorado Celebration of African American Arts and Culture	Colorado Black Arts Festival	\$ 35,000.00		\$ 31,140.00
Denver Audubon	Nature Connections and Bird Friendly Communities in Arapahoe County	\$ 13,000.00		\$ 12,416.00
Colorado Youth Symphony Orchestras	Mile High Outreach Music Program	\$ 12,292.00	\$ 12,225.00	\$ 11,659.17
RedLine	EPIC Arts & RedLine Englewood Satellite Space	\$ 31,080.00		\$ 27,234.24
Environmental Learning for Kids (ELK)	Arapahoe County Outdoors	\$ 30,000.00		\$ 26,280.00
Colorado Dragon Boat	Cultural EduTainment	\$ 55,000.00		\$ 46,490.00
Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art	Exhibitions and Complementary Programming at Arapahoe County Libraries & Schools	\$ 68,500.00		\$ 57,533.00
Bluff Lake Nature Center	Family, Education, and Outreach Programs	\$ 30,000.00		\$ 25,920.00
CMDance	School Dance and Movement Programs and Youth Performance Team	\$ 9,300.00		\$ 9,033.00
Su Teatro	Our Voices, Our Stories	\$ 14,500.00		\$ 13,216.00
Colorado Jazz	Aurora Fox Jazz and Latin Series	\$ 17,000.00		\$ 15,236.00
Denver Urban Gardens	Dig Deeper in Arapahoe County	\$ 88,115.00		\$ 72,520.69
Art from Ashes	Art from Ashes Creative Empowerment Programs for Youth	\$ 20,500.00		\$ 17,900.00
Centro Cultural Mexicano	Latin Beats: Sonidos de las Americas Open Rehearsals	\$ 8,750.00		\$ 8,482.50
Davis Contemporary Dance	Davis Dance at the Fox	\$ 6,500.00	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 6,500.00
Colorado Folk Arts Council	Aurora Fox Concert Series	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 4,910.00
Ocean First Institute	Plastic Pollution Monitoring and Solutions Project	\$ 15,000.00		\$ 12,730.00
Think 360 Arts for Learning	Arts for All: Schools, Communities, and Beyond	\$ 18,750.00		\$ 15,625.00
Denver Young Artists Orchestra Association	DYAO Education & Outreach	\$ 44,000.00		\$ 35,232.00
Rocky Mountain Arts Association	Disco Derby	\$ 5,000.00		\$ 4,880.00
Denver Municipal Band	Educational Services & Performances	\$ 6,125.00		\$ 5,753.00
Friends of Dinosaur Ridge	School/Organizational Guided Group Tours of Dinosaur Ridge	\$ 14,500.00		\$ 12,252.00
National Honor Band Association	Music Instruction serving Arapahoe County Residents	\$ 19,250.00		\$ 15,938.00
The Denver Brass	Denver Brass at Home in Arapahoe Co.	\$ 68,000.00		\$ 53,768.00



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Mirror Image	Your Voice-Intervention	\$ 24,397.00	\$ 19,389.31
HawkQuest	Birds or Prey Lectures	\$ 9,350.00	\$ 7,874.70
Control Group Productions	COLFAX (working title)	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 19,038.00
TEPE	Soundpainting in Arapahoe County Schools	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Colorado Chorale	Christmas with the Colorado Chorale	\$ 3,875.00	\$ 3,514.00
St. Martin's Chamber Choir	SMCC Concerts & Student Choral Workshops	\$ 22,266.00	\$ 16,877.74
Roshni	New American Stories	\$ 25,000.00	\$ 18,672.00
Englewood Historic Preservation Society	Historic Englewood Museum	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 7,642.00
A Child's Song	Reach & Teach (Inclusive Community-Based Music Education)	\$ 10,000.00	\$ 7,622.00
Seriesfest	Mobile Cinema Lab	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 2,875.20
Augustana Arts	Augustana Arts Concert Series Performance and Outreach	\$ 4,701.00	\$ 4,094.33
Four Mile Historic Park	Pumpkin Harvest Festival Community Stage	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 11,212.00
Colorado Fine Arts Association	7th Annual Prakriti Dance Festival	\$ 10,300.00	\$ 7,738.00
Fiesta Colorado	Community Education/Educational Outreach Program-Mexican Dance	\$ 3,500.00	\$ 2,854.00
Highlands Ranch Concert Band	Joint Concert: HRCB with Newton Middle School's 8th grade band	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,500.00
Sound of the Rockies	DU Newman Center Concert Series	\$ 17,000.00	\$ 12,528.00
Baroque Chamber Orchestra of Colorado	Dances & Flourishes	\$ 18,670.00	\$ 13,727.06
Friends of Levitt Pavilion Denver	Dashiki Festival	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,942.00
Evergreen Jazz Festival	Evergreen Jazz Festivals Bands in Arapahoe County Schools	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
T2 Dance Company	Inside the Orchestra Collaboration	\$ 830.00	\$ 830.00
Rocky Mountain Brassworks-A British Brass Band	School Band Collaboration	\$ 1,720.00	\$ 1,720.00
Denver Children's Choir	North and East Counties Community Youth Choir Outreach Initiative	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,702.00
Skyline Chapter, Sweet Adelines International	2024 Holiday Show	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 3,342.00
Colorado Quilting Council, Inc	Competition Judging	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 1,933.20
Kim Robards Dance	Movement & Music - Tiny Tots	\$ 14,000.00	\$ 9,702.00
PlatteForum	Arts Education Workshops with Colfax Community Network	\$ 17,257.00	\$ 11,815.16
Tesoro Foundation	Historic Lecture Series	\$ 13,000.00	\$ 8,804.00
Historic Denver/Molly Brown House Museum	"Unsinkable" Education Programs	\$ 15,000.00	\$ 10,192.00
Evergreen Chorale	Vintage Theatre Collaboration	\$ 8,300.00	\$ 6,023.60
	CMSGD Concert Series and AIC Story Time	\$	\$



Next Steps

- Seek approval to advance recommendations to the public hearing on July 23, 2024.
- September , SCFD board approves Tier III funding awards
- October, Recognition Ceremony



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Questions?