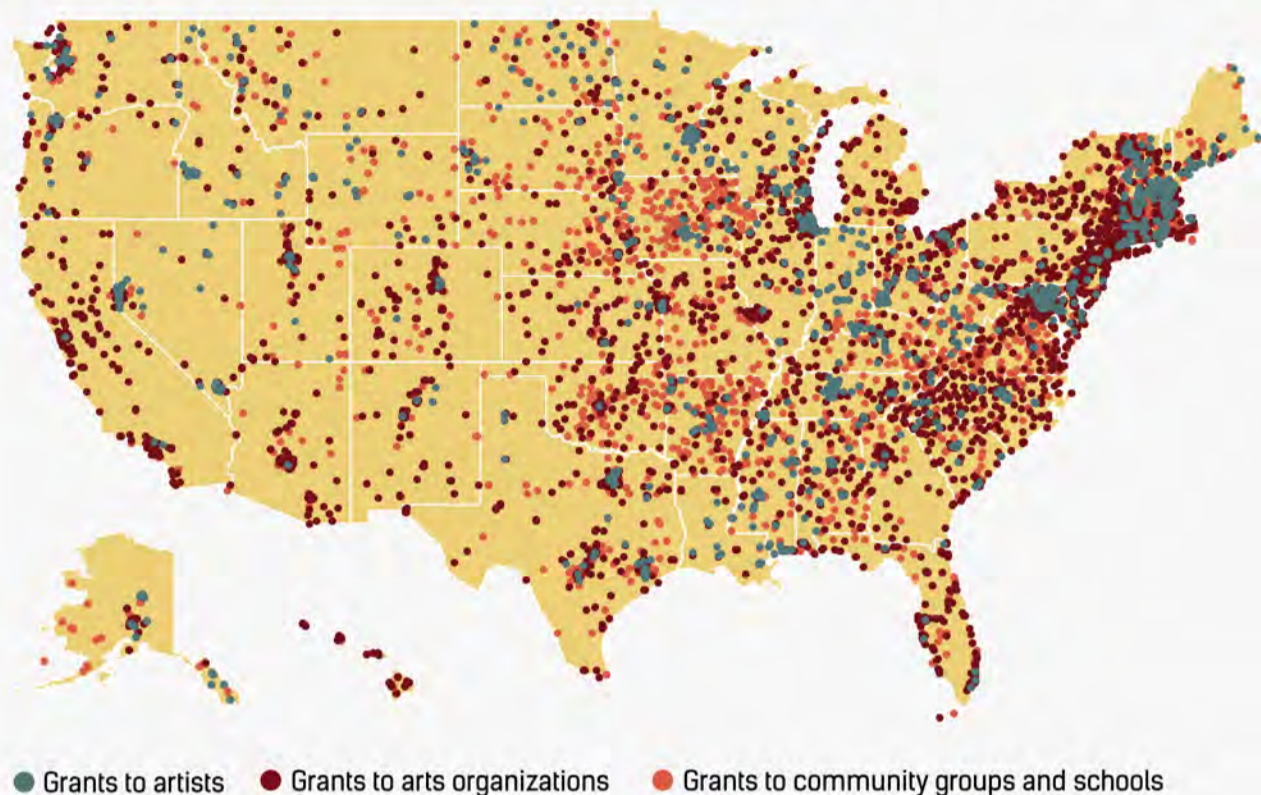


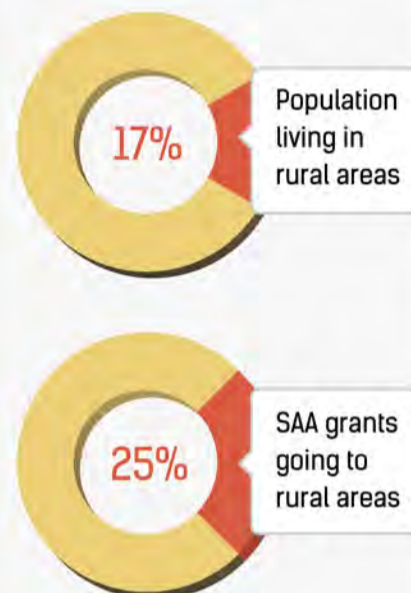
States Investing in the Arts

National Assembly of State Arts Agencies
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State arts agencies (SAAs) help communities across the nation to thrive through the arts. Using a combination of state and federal funds, SAAs support more than 22,000 grants in 5,000 communities each year. In 2012, these grants went to all 435 U.S. congressional districts.



Small towns and rural areas receive more than \$36.5 million through nearly 5,500 grants, making the arts accessible to all U.S. residents, regardless of where they live.



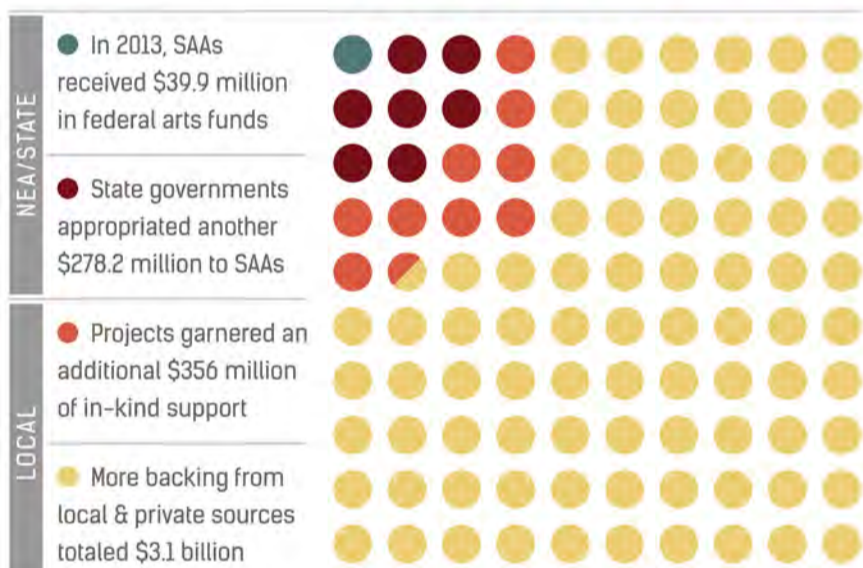
● Grants to artists ● Grants to arts organizations ● Grants to community groups and schools

Source: State Arts Agency Final Descriptive Reports, National Assembly of State Arts Agencies

State and federal funds spur local investment



★ Funds from states and the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) attract matching dollars, boost earned income, and encourage contributions from local governments and citizens.

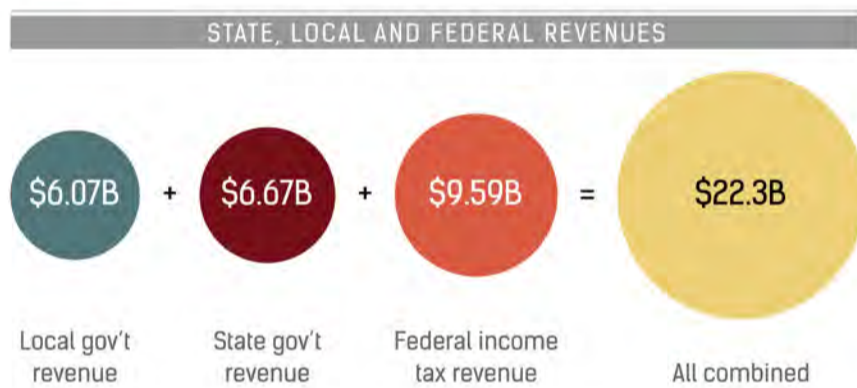


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The arts strengthen our economy



★ America's nonprofit arts industry generates \$135.2 billion in economic activity every year, resulting in \$22.3 billion in tax revenues.

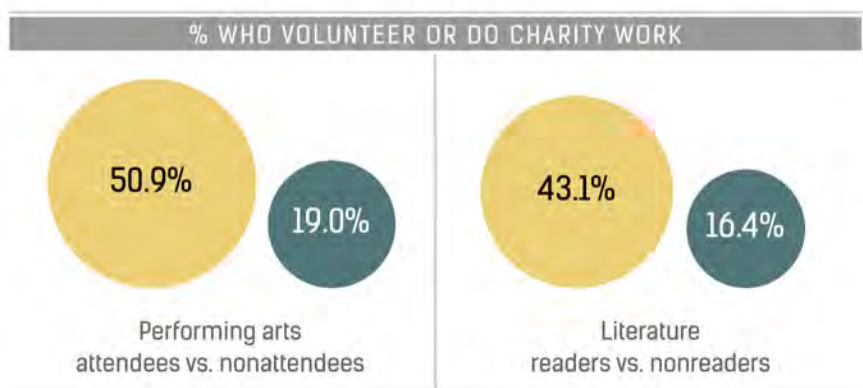


Source: Arts and Economic Prosperity IV, Americans for the Arts

The arts have positive civic outcomes



★ Arts participants and literature readers are more than twice as likely to volunteer in their communities— independent of education level, age, gender or ethnicity.

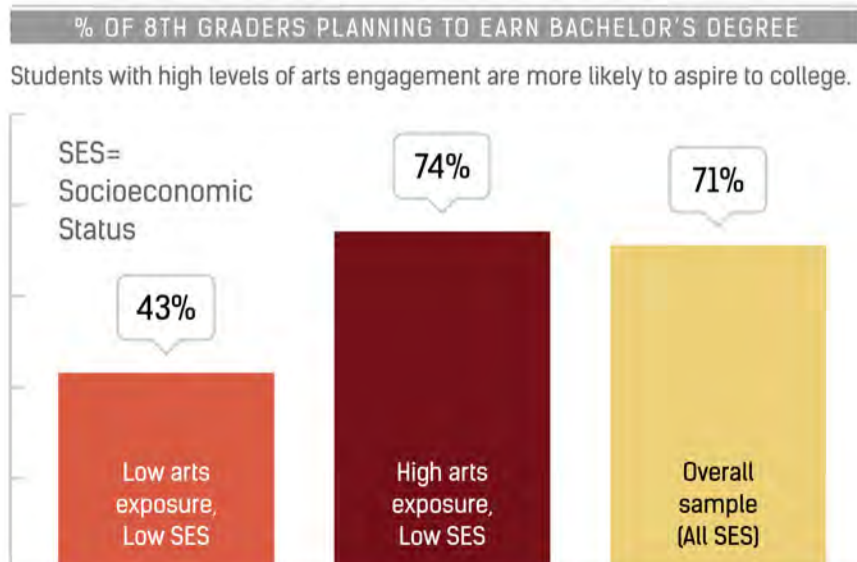


Source: The Arts and Civic Engagement, National Endowment for the Arts

The arts strengthen education



★ Arts education improves academic achievement and engagement in learning. SAAs bring these benefits to more youth by investing \$64 million in 9,100 arts education grants.



Source: The Arts and Achievement in At-Risk Youth, National Endowment for the Arts