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NASAA is at work for you! Read on for news that enhances your work as a state arts agency council or board member. Spread the word by sharing Report to Councils at your next council meeting!

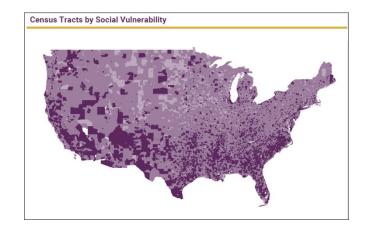
Where Do State Arts Agency Grant Dollars Go?

NASAA makes it easy to track state arts agency grants for specific areas of interest. Our latest grant-making facts provide a visual portrait of state arts agency investments in:

- General Operating Support
- Support for Rural Communities
- Support for Arts Education

To enhance understanding of the broad reach of public arts funding by states, NASAA has created these NEW grant-making visualizations:

- Support to Communities in Poverty
- Support in Socially Vulnerable Areas
- Grants by Organizational Size
- Public-Sector Grant Making



Check out NASAA's <u>Grant Making</u> pages for comprehensive data visualizations and detailed reports on state arts agency grant-making trends.

How State Arts Agencies Support Artists

Artists form the foundation of a state's creative economy, and state arts agencies use a number of strategies to support artists and facilitate their careers. These strategies include maintaining artist rosters, managing gallery spaces and digital marketplaces, and providing networking and professional development opportunities. In addition to frequent State articles that share examples of artist support services, updated NASAA resources offer data on two core support mechanisms:

- <u>Support for Individual Artists</u> outlines grant awards that support artwork creation, performances, arts instruction, residencies and other activities.
- <u>Artist Fellowships Strategy Sampler</u> presents common fellowship guidelines and goals, eligibility requirements, sample program profiles, and more.

In Case You Missed It...

The <u>NASAA 2023 Learning Series</u> offered a range of topics that council members found useful. Recordings and resources are published shortly after each webinar—take a look at these recent sessions:

- Where Are We in 2023? The Economic Landscape for Nonprofit Arts Organizations
- Reimagining Strategic Planning in a Postpandemic World
- Leading in the Face of Disaster

Check out NASAA's Creative Aging Institute recordings, too. This year's virtual conference explored why and how arts learning is such an enduring source of wellbeing as we age:

2023 Creative Aging Institute Playlist

Ask NASAA Anything

State arts agency council members are welcome to <u>reach out to NASAA</u> to see how your agency compares to others and to learn about the many strategies state arts agencies use to serve the public.

We can help you with information on a wide variety of topics, including state arts agency funding, programs, policies, planning and more. In fact, we've compiled a list of questions we've been asked recently: check out our latest <u>Information Services</u> <u>Summary</u>.

Be on the Lookout: 2024 Chair and Council Member Peer Sessions

Next year, NASAA will continue to offer virtual gatherings for chairs and council members. These short, informative meetings will cover a range of topics to help you advance your leadership and connect you with your peers around the country. We'll send out invitations for each session. (Need to update your email address with us? Contact NASAA Communications Manager <u>Sue Struve</u>.) We'll also post session dates to our <u>Upcoming NASAA Events Calendar</u>. Please contact <u>Laura Smith</u> if you have any topics or NASAA resources you'd like us to discuss during these peer sessions. We hope to see you in 2024!



Thriving Together

As a council member, you understand the value of working together to achieve a common goal. At NASAA, we work for you! We're dedicated to supporting and strengthening your work and helping your agency—and every state arts agency—flourish. Now until December 31, your gift to NASAA will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$50,000 as part of our *Thriving Together* year-end matching gift campaign. That's a potential for \$100,000 for NASAA and state arts agencies, which is why we're asking all our members to take part. Your participation, at whatever level is right for you, makes a difference. When we *all* support NASAA, we are *all* stronger. Please make your gift today. Thank you!



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