



## Arts and Culture Grant Guidelines - 2021

### **Program Goal**

From rural community theaters to large symphonies, Innovia Foundation partners with nonprofit organizations that support the arts as economic drivers, educational assets, civic catalysts and bridges between cultures.

**The Arts and Culture Grant Program 2021 will provide flexible funding to support arts and culture organizations adversely impacted by the outbreak of COVID-19, with priority given to organizations that have history of fueling local economy.**

Grants can be used for general operating support to meet immediate needs (such as rent, utilities, payroll and benefits) or to implement innovative solutions to adapt to COVID-19 challenges (such as strategies to share programming on digital platforms; adaptations to social distancing).

Please note you can only apply to the Arts and Culture Grants Program **or** the Community Grants Program. You cannot apply to both. If you have questions about which to apply to, please contact [msanchez@innovia.org](mailto:msanchez@innovia.org).

### **Timeline**

Application Opens: Monday, December 14

Early Bird Deadline: Friday, Jan. 8

Application Closes: Friday, Jan. 22

Grant Decisions: Wednesday, March 17

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must have a 501 c3 status as a public charity, be a public entity, represent a federally recognized tribe, or have a qualified fiscal sponsor.

Applicants must operate with a mission that incorporates arts and culture as a primary purpose.

## **Impact Areas:**

Guided by local input from regional advisory groups, Innovia will invest in Arts and Culture organizations that deliver programs and services in one or more of these Impact Areas.

**Education and Youth Development:** Providing programming directed at children and youth.

**Health and Wellbeing:** Providing arts and culture opportunities that contribute to health and wellbeing.

**Economic Impact:** Contributing to the economic vitality of your community/region

**Quality of Life/Social Connections:** Increasing access to communitywide arts and culture experiences, such as providing digital programming or socially-distanced exhibits/performances

## **Program Details**

The application period for the 2021 Arts and Culture Grant Program opens December 14 and closes January 22. Grants will be awarded in mid-March. Grant awards are for a one-year period from April 1 to March 31, 2022. The maximum award amount is \$20,000, with most grants in the range of \$2,500 – \$15,000.

Please visit Innovia Foundation's website at <https://innovia.org/nonprofits/apply-for-a-grant/> for application log-in directions and additional guidance.

**Early Bird Incentive!** Organizations that submit their application by midnight on January 8 will be automatically entered into a drawing to receive a \$1,000 grant for general operating support.

## **Grant Award Size**

In order to reach as many communities and organizations as possible, we expect most awards to be under \$5,000. Proposals requesting between \$5,000 - \$20,000 will be highly competitive.

## **Grant Types**

Organizations may request an Arts & Culture Grant for the two following project types:

- ❖ Immediate operating needs and losses related to COVID-19 (such as rent, utilities, payroll and benefits; loss of earned or contributed revenue; loss of in-kind, volunteer or other support).
- ❖ Innovative solutions in response to COVID-19 challenges (such as strategies to share programming on digital platforms; adaptations to social distancing).

## **Nondiscrimination/Anti-Hate Policy**

The Anti-Hate Policy at Innovia Foundation states: “Innovia Foundation will not make grants to organizations that Innovia knows or has reason to believe support or engage in hateful activities. activities that incite or engage in violence, intimidation, harassment, threats or defamation targeting an individual or group based on their actual or perceived race, color, religion, national origin, ethnicity, immigration status, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation or disability.”

Further, Innovia Foundation does not unlawfully discriminate regarding employees, volunteers, delivery of programs or services, or clients served based on age, religion/creed, race, color, national or ethnic origin, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, disability, marital status, military or veteran status, pregnancy or genetic information.

Applicants for Community Grant must adhere to similar anti-hate and nondiscrimination standards. You can read our Anti-Hate Policy [here](#).

### **Application Review**

All proposals are reviewed by volunteers serving on these regionally advised committees.

Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4
Ferry Stevens Pend Oreille Lincoln Adams	Spokane	Whitman Latah Asotin Nez Perce Clearwater Lewis Idaho Columbia Garfield	Boundary Bonner Kootenai Benewah Shoshone