



FY27 ARTS & HUMANITIES EDUCATION PROJECTS (AHEP)

GRANT FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Grant Program Name: Arts & Humanities Education Projects (AHEP)

Cohorts: In School / Professional Development & Older Adults 55+ / Out-of-School Time

Grant Program Description:

Supports in-school and out-of-school-time arts and humanities projects for youth in pre-school through high school settings, and older adults (50+). The grant also supports professional development opportunities for classroom educators. The project must target DC-based educators, instructional staff or teaching artists. Maximum awards increased from \$20K (FY22) to \$30K (FY23-FY26) and will remain at \$30K through (FY27). Organizations may apply for project support of up to \$30,000. There is no match requirement. Organizations in receipt of General Operating Support (GOS) grants are restricted from receiving PEFO but may apply for 1 project-based grant including; FTE, East Arts, Public Art Building Communities, and 1 capacity based grant (CP).

FY26 v FY27

FY27 Eligible Applicants: 55 (32 Proposed Awardees)

FY26 Eligible Applicants: 61 (33 Awardees)

Total funding history

FY27: \$672,720 (Proposed)

FY26: \$528,802 (Awarded)

FY25: \$711,928 (Awarded)

FY24: \$586,988 (Awarded)



Number of Panels: 4

Number of New Applicants to CAH: 8

Grant Manager: Mauricio Pita

Number of Eligible Applicants by Cohort in FY27

- Cohort #1: In School Projects: 15
- Cohort #2: Out-of-School: 13
- Cohort #3: Out-of-School & Older Adult Projects: 13
- Cohort #4: Out-of-School & Professional Development Projects: 14

Award Justification and Allocation of Funds:

- The funding recommendations were determined using the following variances and calculations. Funding is based on the requested amount proportional to their relative ranking score at 70% of the total award. Cut-off is based on clear breaks in variance in panelist's scoring.
- **In-School Projects Cohort:**
 - 10 out of 15 applicants awarded
 - **Cut-off:** There is a clear break in scoring between applicant #10 and Applicant #11
- **Out-of-School Projects Cohort:**
 - 7 out of 13 applicants awarded
 - **Cut-off:** There is a clear break in scoring between applicant #7 and Applicant #8
- **Out-of-School Projects & Older Adult Projects Cohort:**
 - 7 out of 13 applicants awarded
 - **Cut-off:** There is a clear break in scoring between applicant #7 and Applicant #8
- **Professional Development & Older Adults Cohort:**
 - 8 out 14 applicants awarded
 - **Cut-off:** There is a clear break in scoring between applicant #8 and applicant #9

Recommendation includes the funding for 10 In-School programs, 20 Out-of-School programs, 1 Older Adult program, and 1 Professional Development Program.



Recommendations:

Cohort #1: In School

Recommendation: Fund 10 applicants: \$211,135

Cohort #2: Out-of-School

Recommendation: Fund 7 applicants: \$154,758

Cohort #3: Out-of-School & Older Adults

Recommendation: Fund 7 applicants: \$142,297

Cohort #4: Out-of-School & Prof. Development

Recommendation: Fund 8 applicants: \$164,530

Recommendation total: \$672,720

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Rank	Project Type	Panel Date	Ward	Raw Score	Variance	Curved Score	Request Amount	FY27 Funding Recommendation (A)	FY27 Funding Recommendation (B)	FY27 Funding Recommendation (C)	Discipline	Additional Grants	Returning Applicant	Returning Grantee
1	In-School	8-Sep-26	6	97.3		100.00	\$25,000	\$25,000	\$22,727	\$19,231	11 Interdisciplinary	GOS	Yes	Yes
2	In-School	8-Sep-26	3	96.8	-0.50	99.49	\$20,000	\$19,897	\$18,088	\$15,306	02 Music	GOS, CAP	Yes	Yes
3	In-School	8-Sep-26	3	96.3	-0.50	98.97	\$30,000	\$29,692	\$26,992	\$22,840	14 Multidisciplinary	GOS	Yes	Yes
4	In-School	8-Sep-26	6	95.5	-0.80	98.15	\$30,000	\$29,445	\$26,768	\$22,650	04 Theatre	GOS	Yes	Yes
5	In-School	8-Sep-26	4	93.5	-2.00	96.09	\$30,000	\$28,828	\$26,208	\$22,176	13 Humanities		No	No
6	In-School	8-Sep-26	3	93.5	0.00	96.09	\$30,000	\$28,828	\$26,208	\$22,176	02F Jazz		Yes	Yes
7	In-School	8-Sep-26	7	92.5	-1.00	95.07	\$30,000	\$28,520	\$25,927	\$21,938	14 Multidisciplinary	EA	Yes	Yes
8	In-School	8-Sep-26	1	92.3	-0.20	94.86	\$30,000	\$28,458	\$25,871	\$21,891	10 Literature	GOS, CAP	Yes	Yes
9	In-School	8-Sep-26	8	91	-1.30	93.53	\$30,000	\$28,058	\$25,507	\$21,583	14 Multidisciplinary	EA, CAP, FTE, PEFO,	Yes	Yes
10	In-School	8-Sep-26	4	90	-1.00	92.50	\$30,000	\$27,749	\$25,227	\$21,346	04 Theatre	GOS	Yes	Yes
11	In-School	8-Sep-26	4	88.5	-1.50	90.96	\$20,546				13 Humanities	GOS	Yes	Yes
12	In-School	8-Sep-26	2	87	-1.50	89.41	\$30,000				04 Theatre	GOS, CAP	Yes	Yes
13	In-School	8-Sep-26	5	85.8	-1.20	88.18	\$30,000				07I Mixed Media	GOS, FTE, CAP, PEFO	Yes	Yes
14	In-School	8-Sep-26	4	85.3	-0.50	87.67	\$30,000				14 Multidisciplinary		No	No
15	In-School	8-Sep-26	3	79.3	-6.00	81.50	\$24,875				05 Visual Arts	GOS	Yes	Yes
Total:								\$274,476	\$249,523	\$211,135				

Funding Options (Goal: Get as close to 75% of request amounts)

\$874,535	Total for Option A	lowest ranked awardees across panels: 92-97%
\$795,032	Total for Option B	lowest ranked awardees across panels: 85-89%
\$672,720	Total for Option C	lowest ranked awardees across panels: 71-75%

Additional Context (Goal: Get as close to funding 66% of applicants)

FY26 Spending:	\$528,802	
# of Grantees:	FY26: 33	FY27: 32 of 55 (Proposed 58% of applicants)
FY 26 Funding Average:	\$16,109	

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1	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	2	85.70		100.00	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$27,273	\$23,077	10D Poetry		Yes	Yes
2	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	3	85.30	-0.40	99.53	\$30,000	\$29,860	\$27,145	\$22,969	02C Choral	GOS	Yes	Yes
3	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	3	84.80	-0.50	98.95	\$30,000	\$29,685	\$26,986	\$22,835	04 Theatre		No	No
4	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	1	84.80	0.00	98.95	\$30,000	\$29,685	\$26,986	\$22,835	03B Musical Theatre	GOS, CAP	Yes	Yes
5	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	4	84.80	0.00	98.95	\$30,000	\$29,685	\$26,986	\$22,835	04E Theatre for Young	GOS, CAP	Yes	Yes
6	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	6	84.30	-0.50	98.37	\$23,316	\$22,935	\$20,850	\$17,642	02 Music	GOS, CAP, PEfo	Yes	No
7	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	1	83.80	-0.50	97.78	\$30,000	\$29,335	\$26,668	\$22,565	10B Non-Fiction	GOS	Yes	Yes
8	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	1	81.00	-2.80	94.52	\$29,674				08 Photography	GOS	Yes	Yes
9	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	2	80.00	-1.00	93.35	\$27,500				05 Visual Arts	GOS, CAP	Yes	Yes
10	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	6	80.00	0.00	93.35	\$15,000				04E Theatre for Young	GOS, CAP, FTE	Yes	No
11	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	5	79.00	-1.00	92.18	\$30,000				15 Non-Arts/Non-Humanities		Yes	No
12	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	8	76.30	-2.70	89.03	\$30,000				02 Music	GOS, FTE	Yes	Yes
13	Out-of-school	9-Sep-26	5	70.30	-6.00	82.03	\$30,000				09 Media Arts	GOS, PEfo	No	No
Total:								\$201,185	\$182,895	\$154,758				

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1	Out of school	10-Sep-26	6	95.3		100.00	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$27,273	\$23,077	14 Multidisciplinary		Yes	No
2	Older Adults	10-Sep-26	6	95	-0.30	99.69	\$8,570	\$8,543	\$7,766	\$6,572	13 Humanities	GOS	Yes	Yes
3	Out of school	10-Sep-26	1	94.5	-0.50	99.16	\$30,000	\$29,748	\$27,044	\$22,883	13 Humanities	PEFo	Yes	Yes
4	Out of school	10-Sep-26	4	94.3	-0.20	98.95	\$30,000	\$29,685	\$26,987	\$22,835	02I Orchestral	CAP, GOS	Yes	Yes
5	Out of school	10-Sep-26	8	93.8	-0.50	98.43	\$30,000	\$29,528	\$26,843	\$22,714	14 Multidisciplinary	GOS	yes	Yes
6	Out of school	10-Sep-26	8	91.3	-2.50	95.80	\$30,000	\$28,741	\$26,128	\$22,108	14 Multidisciplinary	EA	Yes	Yes
7	Out of school	10-Sep-26	1	91.3	0.00	95.80	\$30,000	\$28,741	\$26,128	\$22,108	02 Music	GOS	Yes	Yes
8	Out of school	10-Sep-26	7	90	-4.50	94.44	\$20,000				14 Multidisciplinary	GOS, EA	Yes	Yes
9	Out of school	10-Sep-26	1	87.7	-2.30	92.03	\$30,000				14 Multidisciplinary	PABC	Yes	Yes
10	Out of school	10-Sep-26	2	86	-1.70	90.24	\$30,000				10D Poetry	GOS	Yes	Yes
11	Out of school	10-Sep-26	5	85.8	-0.20	90.03	\$30,000				10D Poetry	GOS	Yes	Yes
12	Out of school	10-Sep-26	8	82.3	-9.00	86.36	\$30,000				13 Humanities	GOS	Yes	Yes
13	Out of school	10-Sep-26	8	73.3	-9.00	76.92	\$30,000				04 Theatre	GOS, CAP	Yes	Yes
Total:								\$184,986	\$168,169	\$142,297				

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1	Out of school	11-Sep-26	8	99		100.00	\$30,000	\$30,000	\$27,273	\$23,077	13 Humanities		No	No
2	Out of school	11-Sep-26	3	96	-3.00	96.97	\$30,000	\$29,091	\$26,446	\$22,378	13 Humanities	PEFo	Yes	Yes
3	Out of school	11-Sep-26	3	95.7	-0.30	96.67	\$30,000	\$29,000	\$26,364	\$22,308	14 Multidisciplinary	GOS	Yes	Yes
4	Out of school	11-Sep-26	1	95.7	0.00	96.67	\$30,000	\$29,000	\$26,364	\$22,308	14 Multidisciplinary	GOS, CAP	Yes	Yes
5	Out of school	11-Sep-26	2	95.3	-0.40	96.26	\$30,000	\$28,879	\$26,253	\$22,214	14 Multidisciplinary		Yes	Yes
6	Out of school	11-Sep-26	4	95	-0.30	95.96	\$30,000	\$28,788	\$26,171	\$22,145	13 Humanities		No	No
7	Out of school	11-Sep-26	6	95	0.00	95.96	\$11,000	\$10,556	\$9,596	\$8,120	14 Multidisciplinary	GOS, CAP	Yes	Yes
8	Prof. Dev	11-Sep-26	3	94.3	-0.70	95.25	\$30,000	\$28,576	\$25,978	\$21,981	11 Interdisciplinary	GOS	Yes	Yes
9	Out of school	11-Sep-26	7	92.7	-1.60	93.64	\$20,000				05 Visual Arts		No	No
10	Prof. Dev	11-Sep-26	3	91.7	-1.00	92.63	\$30,000				13 Humanities	GOS	Yes	Yes
11	Out of school	11-Sep-26	8	90	-1.70	90.91	\$30,000				01 Dance	FTE, CAP	Yes	No
12	Out of school	11-Sep-26	7	88.3	-1.70	89.19	\$30,000				09C Video		No	No
13	Prof. Dev	11-Sep-26	2	86.7	-1.60	87.58	\$29,000				14 Multidisciplinary	GOS	Yes	Yes
14	Out of school	11-Sep-26	7	54.00	-32.70	56.25	\$30,000				14 Multidisciplinary	CAP	Yes	Yes
Total:								\$213,889	\$194,444	\$164,530				