

# Montana Arts Council



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# BRIEF INTRODUCTION

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The Art's Council was established to:

- Develop the creative potential of all Montanans
- Advance education
- Spur economic vibrancy
- Revitalize communities through involvement in the arts.

The council accomplishes this through federal grants from the National Endowment for the Arts, Legislative funding for state grants and art for state buildings.



# Council Funding

	<u>FY20</u>	<u>FY21</u>
Investment Earnings	\$ 1,181,562	\$ 248,915
Transfer in	\$ 679,862	\$ 1,302,634
Federal	\$ 770,884	\$ 1,219,240
Other	<u>\$ 18,069</u>	<u>\$ 23,307</u>
	\$ 2,650,377	\$ 2,794,096

	<u>FY20</u>	<u>FY21</u>
Personal Services	\$ 534,608	\$ 665,900
Operating Exp	\$ 317,249	\$ 260,852
Grants	\$ 798,582	\$ 2,006,399
Transfers out	\$ 482,562	\$ 478,638
Other	<u>\$ 0</u>	<u>\$ 1,309</u>
	\$ 2,133,001	\$ 3,413,098

## Council Spending

# Grants

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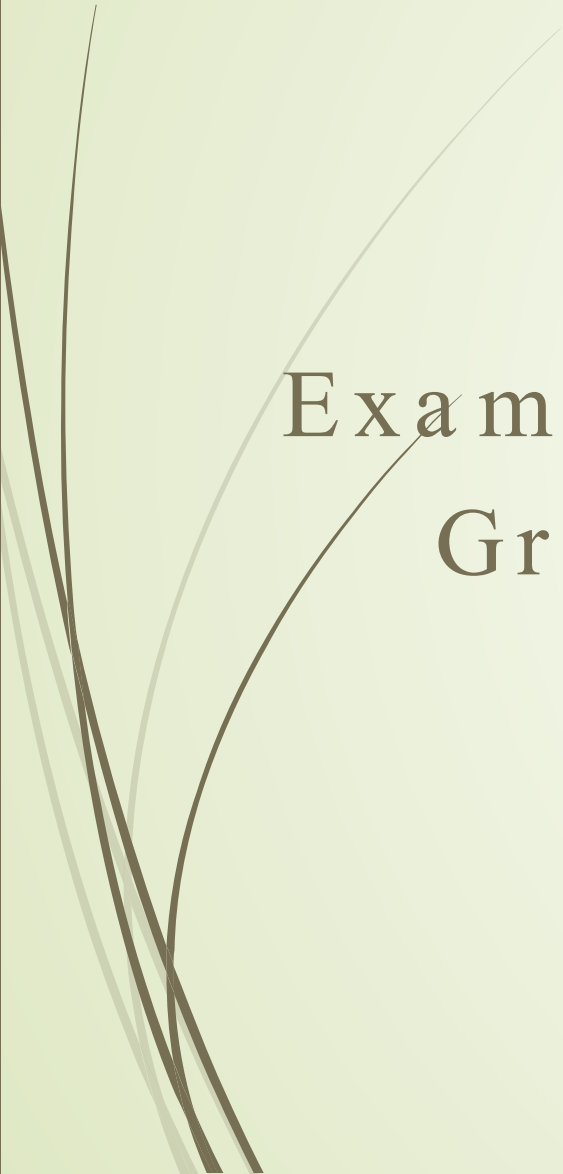
Individuals \* Non-Profits \* Schools \* Tribes

Increase Arts Learning Experiences

Provide Operating Support

Professional Development

Expand Art Awareness and Impact in MT



# Examples of Grants

- **Artists in Schools & Communities**  
Two Eagle River School in Pablo, MT partners with a photographer to teach a class to learn about photo technique & document the community and culture.
- **Public Value Partnerships**  
Funding for operations of Alberta Bair Theatre in Billings which hosts concerts, performances are related arts and outreach activities year-round.
- **Statewide Service Organizations**  
Operations for the MT Art Gallery Directors Association comprises 29 non-profit visual art galleries and museums in MT that provide professional development, attracts exhibitions, and provides access to arts in MT communities.



# Examples of Grants

- **Strategic Investment Grants**

Orphan Girl's Children's Theater in Butte to provide free digital workshops taught by 5 theater professionals from MT.

- **Artist Innovation Awards**

Funding for a trombonist, composer, and bandleader from Missoula investing in new techniques, electric guitar effects, and performing as a soloist with electronics.





# Examples of COVID Grants

- **To Individuals**

Helped create a home studio when studio space was lost to allow for on-line streaming concerts during pandemic

- **To Partners**

Grant to Glacier Symphony to offset costs associated with producing digital programming in response to COVID to, for example, provide music that relieves stress of isolation at senior living facilities.

- **CARES Recovery**

Grant to Rocky Mountain Ballet Theatre to keep doors open to provide classes to MT youth and to continue events in MT after restrictions were lifted.



# Examples of Cultural & Aesthetic Grant

- Emerson Center for Arts & Culture

Education program in the Bozeman area to offer tours of fine art exhibits and to present an integrative art education curriculum.

They select art that is out of the ordinary and forward thinking to support the cultural development.

# Audit Areas of Focus

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## Revenues

Investments

Federal

Transfers In

## Expenditures

Grants

Personal Services

Transfers Out



# Conclusion



## Recommendations

No audit recommendations



## Opinion

Unmodified – you can rely on the information presented on the financials and recorded on the states accounting records



## Internal Control & Compliance

No Significant Deficiencies, material weaknesses or Material Noncompliance

