



## Toledo Lucas County Rescue Plan Grants to Organizations | 2022

The Toledo Lucas County (TLC) Rescue Plan Grants to Organizations will be carried out through a grant program administered by The Arts Commission to eligible nonprofit arts and cultural organizations located within the City of Toledo and Lucas County.

Grants will be made to eligible nonprofit arts and cultural organizations to support their own operations. Funds are intended to support day-to-day business expenses/operating costs, and not specific programmatic activities. Cost share/matching funds are not required. Capital projects will not be considered.

Funds will be awarded based on a competitive application and panel review process. Applicants must be a nonprofit organization with a primary arts and culture mission. All applicants must be based within Toledo and/or Lucas County and be able to demonstrate eligibility to receive, and capacity to manage, federal funds. Funds for individual artists will be distributed based on a separate application process, but on a similar timeline.

**Organizational applicants should apply for a grant amount that is reflective of their overall organization size and internal capacity.** Organizations may use their largest projected budget during the years 2019-2023 to determine the appropriate initial request amount for their organization. Details about budget size for each year is requested in the budget template that is provided in the application. Organization sizes and fixed grant amounts are as follows:

### **Small Organizations**

Small Arts and Cultural Organizations are those with an annual operating budget of \$300,000 or less. Initial grant requests can be made in the following fixed amounts: \$2,500; \$5,000; \$10,000; \$15,000 and \$25,000, but can not exceed 50% of the applicant organization's annual operating budget. Organizations that received a subgrant from the NEA American Rescue Plan Act through The Arts Commission are eligible but may not apply for the same expenses. Grant awards for Small Arts and Cultural Organizations will be available for four years, depending on the release date of funds, and awarded on a two-year basis with funding based upon satisfactory documentation of positive performance during the grant period. Subsequent year awards may be reduced based on number and size of awards during the first year of granting activity. All funds must be utilized by December 31, 2026.

### **Medium Arts and Cultural Organizations**

Medium Arts and Cultural Organizations are those with an annual operating budget between \$300,001 - \$2,000,000. Initial grant requests can be made in the following fixed amounts: \$50,000; \$75,000 and \$100,000. Grant awards for Medium Arts and Cultural Organizations will be available for three years and awarded on a three-year basis with funding after the first year based upon satisfactory documentation of positive performance during the grant period. Subsequent year awards may be



reduced based on number and size of awards during the first year of granting activity. All funds must be utilized by December 31, 2026.

### **Large Arts and Cultural Organizations**

Large Arts and Cultural Organizations are those with an annual operating budget of \$2,000,000 or more. Initial grant requests can be made in the following fixed amounts: \$75,000; \$100,000 and \$150,000. Grant awards for Large Arts and Cultural Organizations will be available for three years and awarded on a three-year basis with funding after the first year based upon satisfactory documentation of positive performance during the grant period. Subsequent year awards may be reduced based on number and size of awards during the first year of granting activity. All funds must be utilized by December 31, 2026.

### **Eligibility**

- Eligible organizations include nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations with a primary arts and culture mission located within the City of Toledo and Lucas County.
- Eligible organizations will have a history of arts and cultural programming in Toledo/Lucas County beginning before December 31, 2020.
- Satisfactory completion of required reporting related to 2021 funding through the Toledo Lucas County Grants to Arts Organizations (TLCARG) program, if applicable.
- Eligible organizations will be in good standing with the City of Toledo and Lucas County and not barred from receiving public funds from these or other public sources.
- Applicants who have received funding from the NEA American Rescue Plan Act through The Arts Commission may apply, but NOT for the same expenses to both opportunities.

### **Allowable Costs | Eligible expenses must be incurred on or after April 1, 2022 in the following categories:**

- Salary support, full or partial, for one or more staff positions. Staff positions funded may not conduct work independent of the organization receiving funds. Funds may be used to support existing jobs, new jobs, or to restore jobs that were furloughed or eliminated due to the pandemic.
- Fees/stipends for artists and/or contractual personnel to support the services they provide for specific activities as part of organizational operations. Artist fees/stipends should be related to work with a tangible outcome, such as performances, presentations, workshops, and/or the creation of artwork. Such work must not be performed independently of the organization receiving funds.
- Facilities costs such as mortgage, rent, and utilities.
- Costs associated with health and safety supplies for staff and/or visitors/audiences (e.g., personal protective equipment, cleaning supplies, hand sanitizer, etc.).
- Marketing and promotion costs.



The Arts Commission is committed to diversity, equity, inclusion, and fostering mutual respect for the diverse beliefs and values of all individuals and groups, including, but not limited to:

- American Indian and Alaska Native tribes,
- African American Serving Institutions,
- Hispanic Serving Institutions,
- Asian American and Pacific Islander communities, and
- Organizations that support the independence and lifelong inclusion of people with disabilities.

### **Application Deadline**

Applications will open October 20, 2022 with a deadline of November 16, 2022, 11:59 p.m.

### **Review Process**

Applications will be reviewed by panels of 3-5 representatives of regional arts organizations. The panels will make award recommendations, which will be confirmed by The Arts Commission's Board of Trustees.

### **Grant Disbursement**

Recipients of Toledo Lucas County Arts Recovery Grant will receive the full amount of their approved annual grant within 60 days following the receipt of their signed grant agreement and are contingent upon receipt of funds by The Arts Commission.

### **Interim and Final Reporting**

Grant recipients will be required to provide documentation on grant-funded activities and expenses at least annually, with reports due within 30 days of the completion of each funded twelve-month period. In addition, Arts Commission staff will conduct periodic monitoring visits (which may be via Zoom or other electronic means or in-person) to assure compliance with federal, state, and local laws and applicable grant requirements.

### **How to Apply**

- Review guidelines of the Toledo Lucas County Rescue Plan Grant to Organizations at [theartscommission.org](http://theartscommission.org)
- Click on APPLY FOR GRANT
- Once in the GoodGrants system, select "**Toledo Lucas County Rescue Plan Grants for Arts Organizations**" to begin the application process
- Submit your completed application by 11:59pm (EST) on November 16, 2022

**Staff Contact:** Interested applicants with questions may contact Lindsay Akens, Subgranting and Creative Placemaking Manager at [Lakens@theartscommission.org](mailto:Lakens@theartscommission.org), 419-254-2787 X1019.