



NC Governor ARP Spending Proposal

Recovery Grants for Arts, History, Libraries, Science, and Film: \$60M

- \$20 million for Arts:** approx. 700 arts organizations
- \$2.25 million for NC Museum of Art**
- \$2.25 million for NC Symphony**
- \$8.5 million for History:** approx. 300 organization
- \$8.5 million for Science:** approx. 200 organizations
- \$8.5 million for Libraries:** 84 library systems
- \$10 million for Film:** infrastructure and workforce programs

Rural Downtown Transformation Grants: \$100M

- Complement affordable housing
- Support public facilities
- Rehabilitate or refurbish local government-owned buildings
- Enhance arts, music, and cultural attractions**



NC CARES Act Funding for the Arts

- ❑ **April: Requested \$3M in arts relief**
 - ❑ **Open Letter to Joint Caucus on Arts and Arts Education**
 - ❑ **Grassroots email/letter writing campaign**

- ❑ **May: H1068 & S738 for \$3M in arts relief** from CARES Funds

- ❑ **August: Governor Cooper (D) announces CARES Spending**
 - ❑ **\$10M** in relief for nonprofit arts organizations

- ❑ **September: NCGA (R) approves CARES spending and Governor signs**
 - ❑ **\$9.4M** in relief for nonprofit arts organizations
 - ❑ **2 counties excluded** that received direct CARES Act funding



2021-23 State Budget & ARP Arts Funding

- ❑ **January 13: NC General Assembly Begins:** 6 months session (at least), \$4B surplus
- ❑ **March 11: President Biden signs American Rescue Plan**
- ❑ **March 15: \$8M Restart the Arts:** \$4M per year for 2 years for arts programming.
 - ❑ Expenses related to producing arts and cultural programming for the public.
- ❑ **March 22-24: ARTS Day 2021,** Restart the Arts is primary goal
- ❑ **March 24: Governor's Budget Released,** Restart the Arts not included
- ❑ **April 14: H562 Restart the Arts Bill** filed by House Caucus Chairs, bipartisan support
- ❑ **April 20: Joint Caucus on Arts and Arts Education** holds first meeting
- ❑ **May 10: US Treasury releases guidance** for State and Local ARP Funding
- ❑ **May 19: Governor Cooper announces ARP Spending Proposal**
 - ❑ **\$20M:** Financial hardships, jump start programming, safe events and facilities, and Wi-Fi
- ❑ **May 25: \$1 billion ARP bill for business grants** equal to 7.5% of all federal aid
- ❑ **??????: Senate Budget? Then House Budget? Veto? Or Mini-Budgets?**
- ❑ **??????: NC General Assembly allocates ARP Funding** possibly several bills