ARP Structure

GOAL #1: Distribute relief as quickly as possible to the field
GOAL #2: Expand access to funds for underserved communities

American Rescue Plan $135M

40% (~$52M)  
April 29

State and Regional Arts Agencies

subgrantee    subgrantee    subgrantee

Local Arts Agencies ($20M)

subgrantee    subgrantee

60% (~$80M)  
June 23

Arts organizations ($60M)
Equity at each phase of funding lifecycle

**PROGRAM STRUCTURE**
- Wide eligibility
- Greater flexibility
- Local focus

**APPLICATION WINDOW**
- Technical Assistance
- Ethnic media engagement
- Language accessibility
- Partnerships

**EVALUATION**
- Reader and panelist selection & training

**NOTIFICATION**
- Resources for unsuccessful applicants

**BEYOND AWARD**
- Support for first-time grantees
- Survey of ARP and CARES recipients
- Research
## What it could mean for applicants

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<td><strong>Eligibility</strong></td>
<td>Nonprofits new to NEA funding should apply!</td>
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<td><strong>Flexibility</strong></td>
<td>Practical relief funding, including non-matching, general operating support and a range of award sizes</td>
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<td>LEP- and deaf-led organizations can apply more easily, with materials in Spanish, Chinese, and ASL</td>
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<td><strong>Local Focus</strong></td>
<td>Local arts agencies lead the way on issues of equity and inclusion and have strong ties to their communities – look for opportunities with Local, State, and Regional Arts Orgs</td>
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<td><strong>Technical Assistance</strong></td>
<td>Live Q&amp;As, workshops, tutorial videos, FAQs, website updates, and more</td>
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Application dates

Local Arts Agencies
Step 1: July 22
Step 2: July 27-Aug 2

Direct grants to organizations
Step 1: Aug 12
Step 2 A-L: Aug 19-25
Step 2 M-Z: Aug 27-Sep 2
## Live Q&A sessions

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All sessions listed at [arts.gov/ARP-grants](http://arts.gov/ARP-grants)
American Rescue Plan

Local Arts Agencies = options

Grants to Local Arts Agencies for Subgranting
Application Deadline: July 22, 2021

Explanation of Subgranting, Eligibility, and Awards
Subgranting Federal Funds

Recognizes the relationship between federal and local government

Amplifies the reach of federal dollars
Definition of Subgranting

Pass-through Entity

Independent subgrantee activities
Eligibility: General

Federal tax-exempt status

Three-year history of arts programming

Current on required grant reporting

*Reminder: always check specific program guidelines*
Eligibility: Additional for Subgranting

Designation status from local government

History of grantmaking

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Designation Status

Designated Local Arts Agencies

Documentation from local government required

Plan in advance to obtain designation
Documentation for Designation

Authority to operate on local government’s behalf

Ordinance, resolution, charter, or contract

• Valid and current at time of application.
• Documentation from one local government for multi-city or multi-county service area
• Local government = city or county
Grantmaking History

Application content reflects grantmaking:

- Grantmaking History
- Selection Process
- Applicant Pool
- Grantees Served
Program Specifics

$150,000 / $250,000 / $500,000

- Selecting the Requested Amount
- Allowable Costs
- Operating Support
- No Cost Share/Match Required
Compliance and Reporting

Subgranting Terms and Conditions

• Subgrantee Eligibility
• Compliance Requirements
• Necessary Reporting
Q&A

Thank You!