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December 14, 2020

Karen Hanan, Director Washington State Arts Commission P.O. Box 42675 Olympia, WA 98504-2675

Dear Director Hanan:

Pursuant to enactment of the federal Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act (P.L. 116-136), I hereby allocate \$2,000,000 to the Washington State Arts Commission from General Fund-Federal (Coronavirus Relief Funds) for the Creative Districts program to help stabilize, recover, and preserve arts and culture organizations during the pandemic.

Arts organizations will apply for grants ranging from \$3,000 to \$10,000 that focus on the following activities:

- Planning, testing, and expanding capacity to meet new challenges.
- Maintaining staff, employing contract workers, and making needed changes to facilities.
- Meeting business obligations and developing new approaches to product/output and redeveloping audience/patrons.
- Networking and collaborating with partners.
- Serving youth and families.
- Articulating new business practices in a pandemic economy.

According to guidance issued by the federal government on the Coronavirus Relief Funds, for a cost to be considered to have been incurred, the performance or delivery must take place by December 30, 2020, but payment can occur up to 90 days afterwards.

The Office of Financial Management approved this allocation in Unanticipated Receipt # 0189. Using EA code 7Z0, please submit the required allotment amendment packet using the "Operating Allocation" packet type.

We appreciate your continued efforts in responding to this health crisis. If you have any questions, please contact OFM Budget Operations at (360) 902-0555 or <u>budget.operations@ofm.wa.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

David Schumacher Director

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