

2024-25 GRANT AWARDS

State-Local Partners



The State-Local Partners (SLP) program provides general operating support and technical assistance for county-designated local arts agencies. The purpose of the program is to foster cultural development on the local level through a partnership between the State and the counties of California. The nature of this partnership includes funding, information exchange, cooperative activities, and leadership. The partnership enables individuals, organizations, and communities to create, present, and preserve the arts of all cultures to enrich the quality of life for all Californians.

A local arts agency is defined as the official county-designated organization that supports arts and cultural activity in service to individuals and communities throughout an entire county. Local arts agencies provide financial support, services, and/or other programming to a variety of arts organizations, individual artists, and the community. A local arts agency can be a unit of local government or a nonprofit organization.

Number of Grants Awarded: 53

Total Investment: \$3,431,450

Organization Name	County	Application ID	Approved Grant Amount	Grant Request Summary
ALAMEDA COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION	Alameda	SLP-24-23306	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Alameda County Arts Commission will provide a broad range of arts programs to the arts community and extremely diverse 1.7 million County residents. The grant will support staff positions and programs focusing on Advocacy, Grants to Arts Organizations, Public Art and Arts Education.
AMADOR COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Amador	SLP-24-22526	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, AMADOR COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL ("Amador Arts") will catalyze broad arts, cultural, and creative engagement for all people throughout our rural region, especially those who are historically disinvested and in the bottom quartile of Healthy Places Index. Amador Arts will leverage longtime partnerships, public data sources, community surveys, and the collective vision of rural creatives and cultural practitioners to direct funds and services toward rural youth, First Peoples, disabled, BIPOC, 2SLGBTQAI+ folx, public art, and intercultural community-building. Grant-making will support local youth, adults, collectives, and organizations. Technical assistance will include concierge services for arts, cultural, and humanities grants, individualized grant application support, an online directory/calendar, and STUDIO, which provides professional development for creative teens and young adults. Amador Poetry Out Loud will amplify youth voices and activate emerging advocates.
ARTS AND CULTURE EL DORADO	El Dorado	SLP-24-23560	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Arts and Culture El Dorado will continue to serve as the principal entity providing arts services and access to arts experiences to rural El Dorado County, including programs for veterans, young people, artists and arts organizations, and the general public. We will administer the Arts Incubator, vitally important to 14 emerging cultural groups; offer programs like Veterans Voices Writing Workshop and Poet Laureate/Laureate Trail; keep Switchboard Gallery open as an exhibition and gathering space; assist with countywide projects such as public art and strategic planning with the County Office of Education; serve as the local Arts Lead for ArtsNow/Create California as well as for the California County Superintendents Arts Initiative; continue the renovation of historic buildings; and promote, connect and empower culture and the arts throughout the region.
ARTS COLLABORATIVE OF NEVADA COUNTY	Nevada	SLP-24-22458	\$62,959	With support from California Arts Council, Nevada County Arts Council will contribute to equitable salaries for staff while adding to its EDI budget. This will support its Community of Practice for Equity in the Arts and its ongoing work assessing and supporting local creative sector needs. Support will also fuel cultural planning aims for the year to come, ensuring deep engagement with Nevada County's historically underrepresented peoples.

ARTS CONNECTION	San Bernardino	SLP-24-24455	\$69,440	With support from the California Arts Council, Arts Connection will continue shaping an equitable future in which communities' arts & cultural priorities are incorporated into county and local civic policies, planning, granting and development practices. AC will continue working with our county partners to facilitate Poetry Out Loud, and further work to create the first Teen Poet Laurette with SB County Schools, expanding opportunities for in-class and afterschool arts education programming, promoting pathways for teaching artists and identifying more future arts educators. AC will continue working on our current collaboration with Just SB, advocating for and creating equitable jobs, an arts and cultural center, and education pathways for artists and creatives regionwide. Grant funds will directly support staff costs and operating expenses associated with this program facilitation and continued advocacy work.
ARTS COUNCIL FOR MONTEREY COUNTY	Monterey	SLP-24-23742	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Arts4MC will be able to continue providing accessible and inspiring arts education programs and experiences to all members of our community, especially those in underserved areas; offering residencies and support for emerging and established artists to develop and showcase their work; bringing art into public spaces and involving community members in creating public artworks; and providing specialized programs for youth and adults that weave creative mastery with social and emotional learning to develop their truest potential through Community Partners such as Rancho Cielo, AI & Friends, CHISPA, Veterans and more!
ARTS COUNCIL NAPA VALLEY	Napa	SLP-24-24384	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Arts Council Napa Valley (ACNV)will continue connect, advocate and lead the arts community countywide. This is accomplished through our network of advocates, by organizing policy initiatives, and empowering the industry through education, information, and resources. ACNV will also continue to enact our change plan to increase diversity, inclusion and equity with the arts ecosystem with the vision of an arts scene that matches the diversity of our County. ACNV's core programs are The Community Grant Fund, supporting artists and small arts organization through twice yearly grants; The Arts Education Alliance, supporting arts student and teachers as well as selecting the arts student of the month and year; and The Napa County Creative Directory, connecting working artists with hirers.
ARTS COUNCIL OF KERN	Kern	SLP-24-23376	\$69,440	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, the Arts Council of Kern, in collaboration with local artists and arts organizations, will develop a more robust arts community through:</p> <p>Community Grants: Funding and technical assistance for organizations and artists, primarily in underserved and remote areas to support community-focused arts projects.</p> <p>Celebration of Kern Arts: A visual and performing arts exhibition event, featuring diverse artistic expressions from all five districts of Kern</p> <p>Artwalk: A monthly free event for hundreds of residents providing a platform for visual and performing artists and nonprofit arts organizations.</p> <p>Poetry OUTLOUD: With two arts ed staffers, we will bring the program to high school students in Kern, especially outlying areas.</p> <p>Arts Workshops: To be held in our new gallery/workshop and convenient public places around the county, on a variety of subjects.</p>
ARTS COUNCIL OF MENDOCINO COUNTY	Mendocino	SLP-24-22712	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, the ARTS COUNCIL OF MENDOCINO COUNTY will maintain programs and services the communities of Mendocino County rely upon to foster cultural development in Mendocino County and support individuals, organizations, and communities in the creation, presentation, and preservations of the arts of all cultures. \$5,000 of the total award amount will support implementation of Poetry Out Loud.
ARTS COUNCIL SANTA CRUZ COUNTY	Santa Cruz	SLP-24-22608	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, ARTS COUNCIL SANTA CRUZ COUNTY will help build, support, and sustain a dynamic and inclusive arts culture. We will award \$220K+ in grants; provide arts education to 18K youth; present programs at the Tannery Arts Center; deepen its commitment to equity; invest in Watsonville's arts ecosystem; present the Open Studios Art Tour featuring 300+ artists; and offer artists and arts organization professional development.

ARTS ORANGE COUNTY	Orange	SLP-24-23283	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, ARTS ORANGE COUNTY will vigorously advance diversity, equity, and inclusion through robust arts programs serving all of Orange County and in its internal practices, including all ages, indigenous peoples, communities of color, immigrants, military veterans, people with disabilities, the LGBTQ community, and incarcerated.
ARTSCCC	Contra Costa	SLP-24-23065	\$62,959	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, ARTSCCC (Arts Contra Costa County) will secure general operations and staff for signature arts programs, technical and research assistance for artist and art organization databases, arts regranting program development, grant writing services, and arts advocacy engagement to promote equity.</p> <p>ARTSCCC and its fiscal sponsor, the nonprofit Independent Arts & Media, were recently recognized by the Board of Supervisors as Contra Costa County's local arts agency and State-Local Partner. Our mission is to foster communities through free expression and cross-cultural appreciation. Our grassroots work is built on compassion, joy, and respect to build a sustainable art organization.</p> <p>Signature programs include a "Poetry Series Program" at Juvenile Hall, "Cultural Corridor Project" connecting communities, and "Danza de los Diablos de Santiago Juxtlahuaca (Dance of the Devils of Santiago Juxtlahuaca)" indigenous performance project.</p>
CALAVERAS COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Calaveras	SLP-24-22472	\$56,478	hire an assistant to work with the CCAC Executive Director while maintaining the increase in paid staff hours as we proposed in our last SLP grant. The SLP grant also helps us maintain operating costs, i.e., rent & insurance, allowing us to focus our fundraising on arts education in our schools, provide our no-charge family friendly concerts in the parks in the summer and assist local artists present Artists Studio Tours in the fall.
CENTRAL CALIFORNIA ART LEAGUE INC	Stanislaus	SLP-24-24180	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, CENTRAL CALIFORNIA ART LEAGUE INC dba the Stanislaus Arts Council, will support, promote, and advocate for the arts in Stanislaus County through education, exhibition, financial support, and the recognition of artistic excellence. We endeavor to create a vibrant cultural presence for the people of Stanislaus County. We are committed to championing policies and practices of racial and cultural equity that empower a just, inclusive, and equitable community. We serve as the State/Local Partner of the California Arts Council as a regional voice representing artistic issues and advocacy. We work in partnership with artists, arts and cultural organizations, businesses, governmental agencies, and educational institutions to strengthen the accessibility and impact of the arts as aesthetic, personal, economic and social resources. These funds will help us continue operating.
CITY OF SACRAMENTO OFFICE OF ARTS & CULTURE	Sacramento	SLP-24-24881	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Sacramento Office of Arts and Culture will invest in funding and capacity building in unincorporated areas of Sacramento. With a population of over 600,000, these unincorporated communities include some of the lowest quartile census tracts in Sacramento County and, historically, have not received the level of city and county funding support as the incorporated areas. This investment will provide much needed resources for arts and cultural activities and creative sector activation within these neighborhoods. Funds will also support implementation of the county-wide Poetry Out Loud high school poetry recitation competition.
COLUSA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Colusa	SLP-24-22974	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Colusa County Arts Council will strengthen its organizational infrastructure to keep pace with program growth over the last year. Our net income increased 400% during FY22-23, bringing expanded arts programming to our service area and challenging our staff and Board of Directors to meet growing demand for our services county-wide. As we adjust to this growth, CAC funding will allow us to build a more sophisticated and forward-looking Colusa County Arts Council capable of sustaining expanded public events, engaging more under-served community members, providing professional development services to artists, supporting youth with arts education and enrichment programs, building new relationships with community partners, and implementing strategic planning that will ensure our organization remains on a path of growth and longevity in the future.

CREATIVE SONOMA	Sonoma	SLP-24-23985	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, County of Sonoma Economic Development Board/Creative Sonoma will serve the county's creative community, its residents, and visitors with programs including grants, professional development, public art, arts education activities, and other special initiatives.
DEL NORTE ASSOCIATION FOR CULTURAL AWARENESS	Del Norte	SLP-24-23958	\$69,440	With support from the California Arts Council, Del Norte Association for Cultural Awareness (DNACA) will provide programs like our Performance Series, Art in Public Places, Poetry Out Loud, and Arts in Education. DNACA has been a cornerstone of the arts in Del Norte County for over 40 years. Serving a low-income area with limited access to cultural opportunities, DNACA fills a critical gap in a region with little arts funding. Funds requested from this grant will support our programs, maintain staff, and assist in funding our Executive Director. This is a pivotal moment for DNACA, and ongoing support is vital to continue providing essential arts support to underserved populations including Indigenous, Hmong, and Hispanic cultural communities, as well as the elderly and at-risk youth in Del Norte County.
FRESNO ARTS COUNCIL INC	Fresno	SLP-24-23731	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council FRESNO ARTS COUNCIL INC (FAC) will engage with the local arts community in Fresno County to support and expand their growth and development through mentoring, technical assistance, identifying grant and job opportunities. We will also provide support for program development through individual planning sessions. FAC will act as a resource for the general public, developers, and public entities for issues and information related to Fresno's vast arts ecosystem. While not a presenter, we will continue to stage events such as ArtHop, Fresno County State of the Arts/Horizon Awards and Arts Alive in Agriculture to ensure that Art in all its forms and local artists receive public attention. We will use CAC grant funds to specifically support staff positions.
HUMBOLDT ARTS COUNCIL	Humboldt	SLP-24-23083	\$56,478	With support from the CAC, the Humboldt Arts Council will continue to provide leadership to enhance the arts in Humboldt County. The HAC works in partnership with county artists, arts organizations, community groups, businesses, governments, and schools to enrich the cultural life of the community and to encourage the widespread appreciation of, support for, and involvement in the arts, specifically for underserved and marginalized communities. We present on-site and outreach programs, including exhibitions, events, and classes for youth, families, and the general public, with priority in making these programs accessible for BIPOC, LGBTQ+ and disabled community members.
INYO COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS	Inyo	SLP-24-22592	\$56,478	With support from the California Arts Council, INYO COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS (ICA) will continue and expand vibrant community arts programming including: school arts and music programs that reach all county students; the Millpond Music Festival, a 3-day annual music festival now in its 32nd year; gallery space showcasing local artists; and outreach efforts that include a monthly e-newsletter with 3,000 subscribers. Funds will be used to cover all costs that allow us to offer a multitude of art related programs. ICA offers a wide variety of community programming and prioritizes offering this programming FREE when possible. ICA operates with a small but mighty team of four employees, only one of whom is full-time. California Arts Council funding is an essential and much appreciated funding source that helps to support all aspects of ICA's work.
LAKE COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Lake	SLP-24-22466	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Lake County Arts Council(LCAC) will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide quality arts venues and support local artists and arts organizations. • Encourage economic growth for artists and business professionals supporting arts in Lake County. • Administer Poetry Out Loud, Summer Youth Art Camp, Spring Dance Festival and other youth related programming. • Promote all to participate and celebrate in many diverse artistic styles, mediums, and cultures through exposure, education, and celebration.
LASSEN COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL INC	Lassen	SLP-24-22972	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Lassen County Arts Council will partner with Lassen County, The City of Susanville, Lassen Community College, Susanville Indian Rancheria, Lassen County Office of Education, Lassen County Fair, Best of Broadway, The Reno Dance Company, J&J Performing Arts, Joans Studio of Dance and the Susanville Symphony for exhibitions, receptions, an annual ballet performance, workshops for the public, participatory events, and public art.

LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE	Los Angeles	SLP-24-22494	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, the Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Culture will provide year-round professional development services for over 650 grantee nonprofit arts organizations to advance cultural equity and inclusion to the field. These professional development services include scholarships for trainings, certificate programs and conference registration, as well as regional convenings addressing topics specific to the arts and culture sector. Efforts continue to provide diverse opportunities for BIPOC leaders as well as emerging leaders at nonprofit organizations.
MADERA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Madera	SLP-24-24121	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Madera County Arts Council & Circle Gallery will continue to support and promote the arts throughout our communities. Partnering with Madera County school district and bringing arts education to our local schools, offering in-house arts education, visual and performing arts classes, and community enrichment programs and acting as a catalyst for arts project throughout our County. SLP funds provide vital operational support toward salaries and rental of our facilities including our 5,000 square foot gallery and classroom space, where we hold six art exhibits per calendar year., plus additional classes, workshops, meetings and events.
MARIN CULTURAL ASSOCIATION	Marin	SLP-24-23372	\$56,478	With support from the California Arts Council, Marin Cultural Association (MCA) will unite Marin County and its creative community in support of a more diverse, equitable and sustainable artistic future through diverse programming, leadership, and community convenings and partnerships.
MARIPOSA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL INC	Mariposa	SLP-24-24422	\$69,440	With CAC support, Mariposa County Arts Council (MCACI) will leverage the arts for constructive community engagement; support historically underrepresented communities; build and grow partnerships; and, served the creative interests of residents and visitors through a range of public cultural and arts education programming, creative placemaking initiatives, local/regional/statewide advocacy, network developments at the local, regional and state level, cultural policy leadership and provide granting and technical assistance to local artists and grassroots arts organizations.
MERCED COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL INC	Merced	SLP-24-22915	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Merced County Arts Council will continue to provide public exhibitions, programs, and free or low-cost events that reflect Merced's diversity and expands opportunities to participate in the arts, as well as improve our efforts to be the hub for arts organizations and cultural groups in our County.
MODOC COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL INC	Modoc	SLP-24-23052	\$56,478	With support from the California Arts Council, the Modoc County Arts Council will have funding for general operations: pay for the director's part-time salary, facility expenses, public outreach materials, consultants, service providers, and instructors. Surplus funds will be applied to programs within the guidelines of the CAC and the MCAC.
MONO ARTS COUNCIL	Mono	SLP-24-23239	\$56,478	With support from the California Arts Council, Mono Arts Council (MAC) will continue to ensure that ALL residents in our rural and remote county have access to the arts through a variety of programs, including youth arts programs, outreach, and through the MAC Gallery & Community Arts Center. We will continue to support our local artist community through opportunities and outreach and work to develop mentorship and technical support to our emerging artists.
NORTH COUNTY COALITION FOR THE ARTS	Imperial	SLP-24-23714	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, North County Coalition for the Arts will continue to grant funds to local students, artists, arts events, and organizations. We will also be able to continue to offer stage rental services to local organizations, produce our own community theater productions, and compensate our staff. We will also use funds to expand programming for arts workshops. Lastly, funds will also help us to pay for office and storage rental and other administrative and logistical costs.
PLUMAS COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION	Plumas	SLP-24-23412	\$69,440	With continued support from the California Arts Council, Plumas County Arts Commission for Plumas County will provide accessible, creative and empowering opportunities for underserved rural communities. State Local Partnerships would primarily support the development of workshops and classes covering various art forms like painting, sculpture, music, and dance, led by local artists and educators. Additionally, funds will be allocated for community art events and exhibitions to showcase participants' work and celebrate cultural diversity. Outreach efforts will ensure broad community engagement, and the purchase of art supplies and venue rentals will facilitate program implementation. This initiative aims to empower youth, foster creativity, and enrich Plumas County's cultural landscape through inclusive arts programming.

RIVERSIDE ARTS COUNCIL	Riverside	SLP-24-22641	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, RIVERSIDE ARTS COUNCIL will continue its work to support the arts and cultural infrastructure in Riverside County, the fourth most populous county in the State of California and the 11th most populous in the United States. The State Local Partner funding will allow RAC to continue creating an infrastructure to help guide the arts communities in our county in providing more arts & cultural activities and opportunities and utilize the arts as a vehicle for the improvement of our regions health and equity practices.
SAN BENITO COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	San Benito	SLP-24-24067	\$69,440	With support from the California Arts Council, the SAN BENITO COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL will increase arts and cultural equity, impact and accessibility for all residents in San Benito County through expanded programs, services and funding. CAC Funds will be applied to general operations, including salaries and rent, and Poetry Out Loud.
SAN FRANCISCO ARTS COMMISSION	San Francisco	SLP-24-24529	\$62,959	With the support of the California Arts Council, the San Francisco Arts Commission (SFAC) will expand its partnership with the Office of Civic Engagement and Immigrant Affairs (OCEIA) by creating a monthly series of artist-led workshops for migrant newcomer communities. San Francisco is a sanctuary city that promotes trust and cooperation among residents and the City is seeing an increase in the number of migrant families and asylum seekers. This year-long program aims to enhance and build artistic skills and equip participants with the knowledge and resources needed to enhance their income from their crafts. Led by local practicing artists, these workshops will be interactive, combining theoretical instruction, demonstrations, hands-on practice sessions, group discussions, feedback sessions, and professional development. The workshops will be organized throughout San Francisco in locations that are welcoming to migrant communities.
SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	San Luis Obispo	SLP-24-24757	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL will retain professional staff and systems to expand access to the visual, literary, and performing arts, lifelong arts education, and related cultural activities in the region, recognizing the role the arts play in enhancing neighborhoods, quality of life, community placekeeping, cultural understanding, and local economy.
SAN MATEO COUNTY OFFICE OF ARTS AND CULTURE	San Mateo	SLP-24-22500	\$62,959	strengthen and broaden current programming, including annual arts/culture grants cycle and sponsorships for small/under-resourced nonprofits, public art projects including murals at the Navigation Center for un-housed populations and Juvenile Probation Department, Poetry Out Loud, Poet Laureate, and Countywide Celebration of the Arts. As needs shift, and funding for artists and arts/culture nonprofits has become more difficult to secure, support from the CAC will allow us to focus on ensuring equitable representation countywide, especially in unincorporated/rural areas of the County with less access to arts; integrating arts/culture into County Departments and Commissions; and showcasing local artists through exhibition and performance opportunities. Aimee Shapiro was hired as Executive Director in February 2024, and with new leadership, exciting energy and ideas are being explored, empowering our Arts Commission to collaborate with the vast communities throughout our large County.
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY OFFICE OF ARTS AND CULTURE	Santa Barbara	SLP-24-23860	\$69,440	<p>With support from the CAC, the Santa Barbara County Office of Arts & Culture will work in community to leverage SLP funds to offset operational expenses and costs for 3 full-time & 3 part-time staff working at 2 public office locations in North and South county to: administer grant programs, produce free public art exhibitions and opportunities, facilitate public meetings, provide training and consultation, and support artists, culture bearers, and arts and cultural organizations countywide. We will continue to prioritize those that have been historically under-resourced, including those in the lowest quartile of the Healthy Places Index, in programming efforts and resource allocations.</p> <p>Abbreviations (used throughout application): SBCOAC- Santa Barbara County Office of Arts and Culture SBC- Santa Barbara County (geographic location) County – The County of Santa Barbara Government CAHPI- CA Healthy Places Index</p>

SHASTA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Shasta	SLP-24-23832	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, SHASTA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL will utilize the grant funds towards staff compensations to continue provision of essential services, including technical support to empower local artists and organizations, artist-in-residence opportunities to foster creativity and innovation, content creation to showcase the rich cultural tapestry of our region, and promotion and advertising to amplify the visibility of local arts and cultural events. Additionally, we will support regional arts coalitions, strengthening collaborations and networks among arts organizations to amplify our collective impact, and provide a wide array of arts, cultural, and educational services that enrich the lives of Shasta County residents. Positions supported by this grant are the executive director, arts & grants coordinator, events and member services coordinator, facility coordinator, and media and promotion coordinator.
SIERRA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Sierra	SLP-24-23116	\$56,478	With support from the California Arts Council through the State-Local Partnership program, the Sierra County Arts Council will fulfill its mission to bring together community and art. Sierra County Arts Council will work with artists, civic groups, organizations, and local government, across our rural frontier to provide arts education and cultural opportunities for all residents and visitors of Sierra County. We will promote, support, and advocate for the arts through local, regional, state, and national collaboration.
SILICON VALLEY CREATES	Santa Clara	SLP-24-23038	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Silicon Valley Creates will strengthen the capacity of over 85 small, multi-cultural arts organizations, raise the visibility of local artists, and provide access to the arts for high need populations, through grant-making, capacity building programs, and special initiatives intended to increase equity and inclusion in our arts ecosystem.
SISKIYOU COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Siskiyou	SLP-24-23357	\$69,440	With support from the California Arts Council, the Siskiyou County Arts Council will use the arts to serve the constituency of Siskiyou County with initiatives that encourage and facilitate strong, inclusive communities with particular emphasis on racial equity, environmental protection and awareness, sustainable economic development, and social justice.
SOLANO COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Solano	SLP-24-23770	\$55,737	With support from the California Arts Council, Solano County Arts Council seeks to support our community-based arts programs and initiatives aimed at fostering cultural enrichment, promoting artistic excellence, and advancing equitable access to the arts in Solano County. Solano County Arts Council plans to implement a series of dynamic projects and activities designed to engage diverse audiences, empower local artists, and stimulate creative expression across our region. Specifically, the grant funds will be utilized to strengthen the arts infrastructure, stimulate economic growth, and enhance the quality of life for all residents of Solano County. We are confident that with the support of the California Arts Council, Solano County Arts Council will be able to realize its vision of a vibrant, inclusive, and culturally rich community where the arts thrive and flourish.
TEHAMA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Tehama	SLP-24-22811	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, Tehama County Arts Council will develop and produce programs, services, and activities designed to strengthen the arts, culture, and creative expression within our communities. We will advocate for the arts to guarantee accessibility for all community members and create a creative community where all populations are uplifted through the arts. By fostering cultural development at the local level, we will create, present, and preserve the arts of all cultures to enrich our quality of life. We will present Art Walk, Missoula Children's Theatre, Student Art Contest, Cowboy Poetry, Community Grants, Poetry Out Loud , provide classes, workshops, book signings, musical experiences, lectures and partner with community groups to ensure the arts remain a vibrant and integral part of our community, celebrating diversity and promoting inclusivity in every initiative.
THE ARTS COUNCIL OF PLACER COUNTY	Placer	SLP-24-22623	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, the Arts Council of Placer County will advance the CAC's mission by funding organizational operations, program partnerships, community grants, marketing, resource sharing, and the Poetry Out Loud Program. 1) Organizational operations and staff to manage projects, prepare reports, attend meetings, fundraise, collaborate and develop a data management plan. 2) Program Partnerships-directed actions entering into agreements with organizations to implement programs for under-served artists, art organizations and community members to participate in the arts. 3) Community Grants-competitive regranteeing for high priority art projects that reach those with the greatest need. 4) Marketing-providing graphics and promotional materials to support the arts, art organizations, and art events. 5) Resources Sharing - producing email news updates, social media, and maintaining the website as an information hub. 6) Poetry Out Loud Program.

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO COMMISSION FOR ARTS AND CULTURE	San Diego	SLP-24-23229	\$69,440	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, the Commission for Arts and Culture will advance an equitable and inclusive creative economy and arts ecosystem that reflects San Diego's cultural diversity through capacity-building activities.</p> <p>CAC funds will support the following:</p> <p>Poetry Out Loud. The regional Poetry Out Loud program, produced in collaboration with the local organization Write Out Loud, aims to ignite a passion for poetry and foster a love for the arts.</p> <p>Artist Capacity Building. Capacity-building for San Diego County artists and empowering them to thrive in their practice. It will focus on artists residing or serving communities within the lowest-quartile of California HPI, continuing to build the infrastructure of the California Creative Corps program Far South/Border North, offering professional development, expanding to more artists to advance community practice, and strengthening collaborations/networks.</p>
TRINITY COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL ASSOCIATION	Trinity	SLP-24-23729	\$62,959	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, TRINITY COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL ASSOCIATION will serve as a conduit, bridge builder, producer and advocate of accessible arts education for all ages, the professional development of artists and culture bearers, and increased access to artistic opportunities for underserved and historically marginalized communities. We foster cultural vitality, sustainability and pride through culturally relevant artistic experiences, events and programs that empower artists and culture bearers to meaningfully enrich our community, with a commitment to prioritize our most historically marginalized peoples first, and to support a broad spectrum of artistic expression, mediums and traditional cultural practices in order to uplift and nurture the well-being of our county's diverse creative and cultural ecosystem.</p>
TUOLUMNE COUNTY ARTS ALLIANCE INC	Tuolumne	SLP-24-22882	\$62,959	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, TUOLUMNE COUNTY ARTS ALLIANCE INC would:</p> <p>Hire office staff -- critically needed to forward our mission.</p> <p>Hire teaching artists to expand free community art classes.</p> <p>Evolve our tiny, office-based scrap store -- secure partners to create an income-producing Community Scrap Store, successful around the globe.</p> <p>Increase visibility at local events with groups such BIPOC, LGBTQ, developmentally challenged adults, and artists and cultural workers in general to support current and potential artists.</p> <p>Further partnership with youth, civic and other community groups to provide experiences that demonstrate the power of arts practices.</p> <p>Increase our service to local artists and cultural workers who seek us out to support their creativity and livelihoods.</p> <p>Demonstrate arts as vital to Placemaking by participating in more City and County public events.</p>
UPSTATE COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT FOUNDATION INC	Butte	SLP-24-23971	\$62,959	<p>With support from the California Arts Council, Upstate Community Enhancement Foundation (UCEF) will operate BCAC.tv, our digital media arts center in Chico, which has traditionally focused on at-risk youth. We will continue to partner with CSU, Chico, and Butte College on grant opportunities for the community, and Butte County Office of Education, (BCOE): \$5,000 of the total award amount will support the implementation of Poetry Out Loud.</p> <p>Additionally, we will continue to partner with BCOE to get artists back into schools and work to create full access and equity in arts education programs and resources for K–8 students through BCOE's "Any Given Child" partnership with UCEF. Finally, we will continue to provide technical, financial, and programmatic assistance to arts and cultural groups and individuals while focusing on the underserved and marginalized in Butte County.</p>

VENTURA COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL	Ventura	SLP-24-24024	\$69,440	With support from the California Arts Council, the Ventura County Arts Council will further advance a burgeoning partnership with our county government, a relationship that recently provided several re-granting opportunities. We will maintain our programmatic focus on DEI and on grant giving. We'll assist smaller arts non-profits and community arts organizations and individual artists with capacity building and help them to expand their practices. In partnership with the newly created County Arts & Culture Manager, we will increase VCAC's operating capital and programmatic reach, continuing to prioritize areas of the county that represent the lowest quartiles on the California Healthy Places Index.
VISALIA ARTS CONSORTIUM INC	Tulare	SLP-24-23911	\$69,440	With support from the California Arts Council, the Visalia Arts Consortium, Inc., will continue providing the following forms of crucial support to Tulare County, with tracts predominantly rated below 50% in the Healthy Places Index: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Empowering our staff to become long-term activators in our local creative economy; - Weekly on-site mental health based art training sessions and monthly off-site sessions, - Biweekly artist placement at a local farmer's market; - Monthly art-walk in Downtown Visalia with 8-14 participating venues, - Monthly informational meetings; - Bi-monthly educative presentations to local law enforcement and community college nursing students regarding mental health crisis and recovery; - Countywide Poetry Out Loud competition; - Annual festival; - Annual studio tour; - Collaborate to create artist opportunities for at least 3 public art works per year; - Fiscal agency program currently supporting 2 local start-ups; - Annual micro-granting for individuals and organizations;
YOLO COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL INC	Yolo	SLP-24-23452	\$62,959	With support from the California Arts Council, YOLO COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL INC will provide services to local arts organizations, individual artists, and the community; while continuing to prioritize historically under-resourced communities with arts engagement and support; administer the Poetry Out Loud competition county-wide; and support grant opportunities for artists and arts organizations in Yolo County. We will accomplish these larger goals through direct programming including two free art galleries, arts education programming and resources for artists. We stand ready to assist and support the arts community throughout Yolo County.
YUBA COUNTY SUTTER COUNTY REGIONAL ARTS COUNCIL	Yuba	SLP-24-22848	\$138,880	With support from the California Arts Council, Yuba Sutter Arts & Culture, as a two-county SLP, (requesting \$75,000 x 2) will assign funds towards the salary of its Executive Director, Managing Director, and Arts in Education coordinator. Funds will also support our Artists in Residence program representing four artistic disciplines plus our two-county Poet Laureate. It will also help offset the costs for teaching artists, equipment and supplies needed to provide for a continuing series of multi-disciplinary classes, teaching grants as well as our Center Stage Productions youth performing arts program, our new youth mariachi orchestra, our Convergence Theatre Company, and our Yuba Sutter Big Band Orchestra. The funds will also help with the design, printing, and distribution of our annual report and ongoing marketing support including Constant Contact, Survey Monkey and various grant search subscriptions.