



Black Belt Community Foundation 2017 Arts Education Grant Application

INSTRUCTIONS: Applications must be postmarked by **March 3, 2017**. Complete proposals may also be hand-delivered to the Black Belt Community Foundation's office at 609 Lauderdale Street, Selma, AL or emailed to 2017artsgrants@blackbeltfound.org no later than **4:00 PM Central Time on Friday, March 3, 2017**. Late or faxed applications will **NOT** be accepted.

Headquartered in Selma, Alabama, The Black Belt Community Foundation (BBCF) invites groups and organizations based in and serving Alabama's Black Belt to apply for one-year grants for community-led arts education activities around the 12-county Black Belt region. **Two grants of \$10,000.00 each with a 25% match either monetary or in-kind will be awarded.** The Board of Directors will announce the 2017 Black Belt Arts Grants Awards in **April 2017**.

BBCF through its large arts education grants seeks to increase the number of Black Belt citizens who appreciate the arts through arts learning experiences in music, visual arts, motion/dance and drama/theatre. Grant applications should fall within the following guidelines:

- **In-school, after school and summer arts education programs.** Preference will be given to organizations that will be 1. Teaching arts skills in one or more of the four disciplines 2. Increasing arts knowledge and creativity in the four disciplines

BBCF's mission is to forge a collective stream of giving from the community and other sources so we, the people of the Black Belt, can enhance our continuing efforts to lift ourselves by taking what we have to make what we need.

WHO MAY APPLY: Previously funded organizations based in and serving communities in our 12-county region: Bullock, Choctaw, Dallas, Greene, Hale, Lowndes, Macon, Marengo, Perry, Pickens, Sumter, and Wilcox. Projects that cross Black Belt county boundaries must include a letter of support from a partnering organization in the county where the project will be conducted.

Please note that grants will NOT be awarded to:

*individuals *political organizations, officials, or candidates for public office *fundraising drives or events
*school systems *tickets for benefit *lobbying activities *scholarship or endowment funds

Please note that grant applications will be disqualified if:

*the organization requests more than the maximum amount *the organization writes more than one grant

REMINDER: If at any time you have questions and/or need clarification, please contact Jo Taylor by **4:00 pm on Tuesday, February 28, 2017** at 866-874-1126, and she will be glad to assist you.

Grant Application Review Process and Timeline

BBCF 2017 Arts Grant Applications will be reviewed through a comprehensive process conducted by the BBCF Arts Grant Committee.

The BBCF Board of Directors will make the final decision no later than **April 2017** and award grants on **April 29, 2017**.

Funded organizations are expected to attend the grant ceremony.



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PART I: Organizational Information

Organization's Legal Name:		Amount of Request: \$	
Mailing Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	County:
Contact Person: <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Rev.	First Name:		Last Name:
Contact Number:	Home: () -	Work: () -	Cell: () -
Email Address:			
Tax ID:		Year Organization was founded:	

Fiscal Agent's Information (if applicable)

Does your organization have tax-exempt status [501(c) (3)]? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If your organization is not an incorporated nonprofit with tax-exempt status acknowledged by the Internal Revenue Service, you MUST submit this grant proposal through a qualified Alabama tax-exempt organization that will serve as your fiscal agent. This organization must be located within our 12-county service area. Please contact the Black Belt Community Foundation office at (334) 874-1126 for more information.</i>			
Fiscal Agent's Legal Name:			
Mailing Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	County:
Contact Person: <input type="checkbox"/> Mr. <input type="checkbox"/> Ms. <input type="checkbox"/> Rev.	First Name:		Last Name:
Contact Number:	Home: () -	Work: () -	Cell: () -
Email Address:			
Tax ID:		Year Organization was founded:	

Part II: Grant Request Information (Application Responses 2 Pages Not Including Attachments)

Project Name:	Start Date:	Project End Date:
Approximately how many individuals will your project engage?		
1. Attachment 1 – PROJECT NARRATIVE		
2. Attachment 2 – PROJECT IMPACT		
3. Attachment 3 - BUDGET		
4. Attachment 4 – ARTISTS AND ART ORGANIZATIONS BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION		
5. Attachment 5 – LIST OF ORGANIZATION'S OFFICERS/LEAD VOLUNTEERS		

Authorization

Two original and legible signatures are required before a grant application will be considered for funding.

The governing board or leadership group of our organization has approved the submission of this request for grant support from the Black Belt Community Foundation.

Executive Director or Lead Volunteer Date

Board Chair or Additional Lead Volunteer Date



ATTACHMENT 1: Grant Narrative

Project Description: 1. Summarize the project for which funds are being requested. Describe how the project will impact Arts Education. (1000 words maximum)



ATTACHMENT 2: Project Impact

Answer the following:

1. In order to accomplish the project, what resources will you need?
2. What activities will your organization provide to accomplish the project and who will the project reach?
3. When the project is accomplished, what will be measured and what are the results of the activities
4. What are the long term impacts of this program?



ATTACHMENT 3: BUDGET

Applicant:
Overall Budget: \$
Grant Request: \$
Project Date(s):
Project:

Project Budget:

	Overall Budget	Grant Request	In-Kind (25%)
	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
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	\$	\$	\$
	\$	\$	\$
Total	\$	\$	\$

The Black Belt Community Foundation 2017 Arts Grant requires a 25% match. Matches can be Monetary or In-Kind. Note: In-Kind or Monetary matches must be 25 % or more.

Example of Monetary Matches:

- A local church donates \$200.00 to purchase art supplies for a summer art camp.

Examples of In-Kind matches: (When calculating volunteer time, use minimum wage - \$7.75 an hour.)

- A local community center donates the rental fee for a music concert.
- A musician donates 30 hours to teach during a summer art camp for children.
- Community members donate time to staff after school art program.



ATTACHMENT 4:

Artists and Art Organizations Biographical Information

A large, empty rectangular box with a thin black border, intended for biographical information about artists and art organizations.

