

April 25, 2022

## **Creative Economy Grants Program**

### **Community Project Grants**

#### Application Addendum

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Long Beach Recovery Act (LB Recovery Act), approved by City Council on March 16, 2021, makes possible the Creative Economy Grants Program, designed to provide direct financial relief to the arts, cultural, and historical community in Long Beach to recover from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic. The City of Long Beach is partnering with the Arts Council for Long Beach (ArtsLB) to administer this program.

The Creative Economy Grants Program includes \$48,000 in funding allocated to support Community Project Grants that support innovative, creative, and diverse programming that reflects the rich cultural diversity of the community and which aids in the recovery of the arts and cultural community from the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Applications must be submitted through ArtsLB's Community Project Grant and comply with all guidelines therein. **This addendum provides information on differing and supplemental application requirements for applications to Community Project Grant funding through the LB Recovery Act.**

#### **HOW TO APPLY**

Applications for the LB Recovery Act Community Project Grants must be submitted through ArtsLB's Community Project Grant application. Applicants must complete the application in full and comply with all requirements in the CPG guidelines, except for where noted below.

#### **AWARD REQUIREMENTS**

All funds must be expended by December 31, 2023. If awardees are unable to expend the funds by December 31, 2023, they must notify the Arts Council in writing no later than October 31, 2023.

Awardees are responsible for documenting eligible expenditures to ensure compliance with the LB Recovery Act (e.g., receipts, checks, bill payments, payroll costs). Required documentation should be retained by the awardees and available upon request, per Treasury guidelines, for five to seven years.

In addition to financial documentation, awardees are responsible for tracking and reporting to the Arts Council for Long Beach key metrics related to the grant.

## **MATCHING FUNDS**

A dollar-for-dollar (1:1) match for the proposed project through December 31, 2023 is **not required** to apply for the LB Recovery Act Community Project Grant program, and the absence of match funds will not disqualify an applicant for a LB Recovery Act Community Project Grant. However, consideration and preference will be given to applicants who can demonstrate outside support for the project including corporate or private contributions; County, State, or Federal governmental grants; or earned income.

## **OTHER SELECTION CRITERIA**

- Selection preference will be given to organizations that propose programming in communities in Long Beach that have been most impacted by COVID-19 (see the City's COVID-19 dashboard with the [Total Cases per 100k Population by Zip Code map](#) showing the most impacted communities).
- Selection preference will be given to organizations that propose programming that is free and open to the public.
- Awardees must allow other LB Recovery Act programs to participate in the programming in order to maximize collective impact.

## **CONTACT**

If you have any questions, please contact ArtsLB at (562) 435-2787 or at [grants@artslb.org](mailto:grants@artslb.org).