



COUNTY OF SAN MATEO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S OFFICE
OFFICE OF ARTS AND CULTURE



SAN MATEO COUNTY'S 2025 ARTS AND CULTURE GRANTS PROGRAM

The San Mateo County Office of Arts and Culture and its Arts Commission is pleased to announce our 2025 Grants Program. The streamlined grant opportunity will provide general support funding for eligible arts and culture nonprofit organizations located in or serving San Mateo County. This funding provides grantees with the flexibility to use the funds in the most applicable way for their individual organization, and for greatest impact on overall organizational health and sustainability. We look to you as our partners in our important work of growing our arts and culture eco-system to create a vital, creative, and healthy community.

GENERAL SUPPORT GRANTS

All funds may be used by the organization as needed to support the organization's overhead, salaries, or other needs.

Grant period is from January 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025
Final report due December 31, 2025

Application Open: October 1 – October 29, 2024

Eligibility: Must be able to answer yes to all statements below:

- Yes, we provide arts or culture services/programs in San Mateo County.
- Yes, we are 501(c)(3) or fiscally sponsored nonprofit organization in good standing with the Internal Revenue Service or a local public agency/entity.
- Yes, we have been in operation for 1+ years.
- Yes, our annual budget is under \$1,000,000.

Contact Information

Name of organization:

Contact person name and title:

Contact person email:

Contact person phone #:

Organization address:

Organization phone #:

Organization website:

Formation date of organization:

TAX ID (EIN#):

Organization Information

1. Describe your organization's history, mission, and vision. (2,000 characters max.)
2. What services/programs does your organization provide to residents of San Mateo County and what is the impact of those services/programs? How does your organization promote diversity, equity, inclusion and belonging through its programs? (3,000 characters max.)
3. Do you collaborate/partner with other organizations, if so with whom and how? If not, please explain. (2,000 characters max.)
4. List your current top three sources of funding. (250 characters max.)

General Support Narrative

1. What are your three most urgent organizational concerns/needs and how would a grant from the SMC Office of Arts and Culture address those needs? (3,000 characters max.)
2. Briefly describe the demographics and numbers of the population you serve, in San Mateo County and elsewhere. (2,000 characters max.)
3. How do you engage community members, including those with lived experiences, to assure your strategies and solutions are tailored to meet the needs of the communities you serve? (2,500 characters max.)

DOCUMENTS TO UPLOAD:

IRS W-9 Form

Financial Statements for last fiscal year

Current Organizational Budget

DEIB or Non-Discrimination policy or statement