

# 2023 Cultural STAR Program

## Proposed Guideline Changes – updated 6/7/2023

1. Hold only one funding round per calendar year, due to reduced funding availability.
2. Set new program eligibility dates for Special Projects, Organizational Development, and Capital Projects, based on holding one funding round per year. The proposed 2023 application deadline, and program needs, would be as follows:

### Guideline section: Project Funding – Eligible Expenses and Match Requirements

- a. Special Projects: Projects applying for funding must not take place earlier than August 1, 2023, and must end by July 31, 2024. All expenses charged to the STAR grant must be incurred within the eligible project dates.
- b. Organizational Development: Projects applying for funding must not take place earlier than August 1, 2023, and must end by July 31, 2024. All expenses charged to the STAR grant must be incurred within the eligible project dates.
- c. Capital Projects: Projects applying for funding must not take place earlier than August 1, 2023, and must end by July 31, 2025. All expenses charged to the STAR grant must be incurred within the eligible project dates.

- ~~3. Increase the minimum grant request and award amount to \$10,000.~~

### ~~Guideline Section: Project Funding – Eligible Expenses and Match Requirements~~

~~Current Guideline Language:~~ The minimum grant request is \$5,000. It is unlikely that the Board will recommend funding any proposal for more than \$50,000.

~~Proposed Guideline Language:~~ The minimum grant request and award amount is \$10,000. It is unlikely that the Board will recommend funding any proposal for more than \$50,000.

3. Eliminate the matching funds requirement for grant requests up to \$50,000.

### Guideline Section: Project Funding – Eligible Expenses and Match Requirements

**Current Guideline Language:** In their final report, the grantee receiving funds for Organizational Development or Special Projects should demonstrate that funds were matched dollar for dollar.

**Proposed Guideline Language:** Grant awards of over \$50,000 will be required to show that funds were matched dollar for dollar in the full amount of the award.