



**Preserving Diverse Cultures Division
Community-Based Engagement Project Grant**

Letter of Interest

Deadline: February 1, 2021

Background:

The Preserving Diverse Cultures (PDC) Division of the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts (PCA) supports the creation, development and stabilization of organizations, programs and projects whose mission and artistic work are deeply rooted in and reflective of BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color) art, culture, history and heritage. Additionally, the applicant's programs and staff are representative of those communities.

Community-Based Engagement Project support grants are designed to engage BIPOC communities in the development and implementation of collaborative, artist-led community-based arts and culture projects. The intent of this program is to provide opportunities to bring communities together through arts and culture, and collaboration. Applicants may apply for artist-initiated projects with a fiscal sponsor nonprofit organization. Community projects may include but are not limited to: exhibitions, performances, artist-in-community residencies, and murals.

Funding amount: Up to \$3,500 total for planning and programming.

Eligibility: Project must be led by a BIPOC artist or group of artists. Organizations currently receiving PCA funding are not eligible. Projects that are part of ongoing programming are not eligible. Applicants may receive project support for up to four years

Please provide the following information:

- Lead Artist/Project Contact name:
- What is your PA city, township or borough?
- Name of your neighborhood/community:
- Sponsoring Organization name:
- Project contact telephone number:
- Project contact email address:

Submission Deadline - February 1, 2021, 5 p.m.

Letters of Interest must be submitted via email to Dana Payne at danpayne@pa.gov using the following header - CBEP 2022 Letter of Interest.

Applicants who are recommended to proceed to Step 2 to submit a full application for funding will be notified on February 5, 2021.

Please contact Dana Payne, Director, DEI Initiatives, Diverse Cultures & Heritage at 717-525-5544 or danpayne@pa.gov should you have any questions or require additional information.

Please answer the following questions: (Maximum of 2,500 characters)

1. Provide a brief description of the community-based engagement project including an outline or general plan. Who is the lead artist and what role will they play?

2. Provide a tentative timeline for the planning and implementation of the project.

3. Provide a list of anticipated expenses and potential sources of income, including PCA funding and match (if applicable).

4. Provide a list of project partners and community members who will participate in the planning and implementation of the project.

*ADDITIONAL NOTE: Please include a copy of the Sponsoring organization's IRS tax exempt letter or provide the Sponsoring organization's nine-digit Federal Employer ID Number (FEIN) in the space provided below:
