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Arts and Culture Deputies Meeting Thursday, November 19, 2020 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

#### **AGENDA**

- 1. BOARD LETTER: Acceptance of Grant Award of \$375,000 from Perenchio Foundation
- 2. COVID-19 Response + CARES Act Funding
- 3. Reopening Arts + Culture Safely
- 4. Cultural Policy Update
- 5. Arts and Culture Budget Request
- 6. General Updates
- 7. Next Meeting December 17
- 8. Public Comment

# BOARD LETTER/MEMO – FACT SHEET ARTS AND CULTURE CLUSTER

ARTS & CULTURE CLUSTER AGENDA REVIEW DATE	11/19/2020	
BOARD MEETING	12/8/2020	
DELEGATED AUTHORITY BOARD LETTER	⊠ Yes □ No	
SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT AFFECTED	All Districts	
DEPARTMENT	Department of Arts and Culture	
SUBJECT	ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD OF \$375,000 FROM PERENCHIO FOUNDATION	
PROGRAM	Arts Education and Youth Development	
SOLE SOURCE	☐ Yes ☐ No  If Yes, please explain why:	
CONTRACT		
DEADLINES/ TIME CONSTRAINTS	No	
COST & FUNDING	Total cost: \$375,000	Funding source: Perenchio Foundation Grant
	TERMS (if applicable):	
	Explanation: This grant is to support goals of increasing youth access to the arts through implementation and expansion of professional development for K-6 teachers that builds their capacity to provide culturally relevant, integrated arts instruction which centers on social emotional learning, for all students, in support of the newly adopted Arts Education Blueprint.	
PURPOSE OF REQUEST	Approve and authorize Arts and Culture to accept the grant award of \$375,000 from the Perenchio Foundation	
BACKGROUND	Since 2015, the Department of Arts and Culture has worked in partnership with LACOE's Center	
(include	for Distance and Online Learning (CDOL) to develop and implement the Technology Enhanced	
internal/external issues that may	Arts Learning (TEAL) professional development program. The most recent iteration of TEAL offers current and pre-service TK-6 educators a series of in-person trainings and online	
exist)	resources focused on integrating the arts, social-emotional learning (SEL) and healing-informed	
,	practices into teaching in other core subjects (e.g. language arts, math, science, social studies).	
	This approach allows educators to embed arts-based learning into the school curriculum while improving both academic and social-emotional outcomes for students. TEAL was developed	
	and is implemented as a partnership of the LA County Department of Arts and Culture and LA	
	County Office of Education Center for Distance and Online Learning (CDOL). If approved this	
	grant would allow TEAL to be provide in 2020-2021 reaching up to 400 educators across 20-30	
DEPARTMENTAL	school districts, supporting educational and cultural equity and anti-racism.  Name, Title, Phone # & Email:	
AND OTHER	Kristin Sakoda, Director, (213) 202-5858, ksakoda@arts.lacounty.gov	
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## COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES DEPARTMENT OF ARTS AND CULTURE

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December 8, 2020

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, California 90012
Dear Supervisors:

ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD OF \$375,000 FROM PERENCHIO FOUNDATION (ALL DISTRICTS) (3 VOTES)

## **SUBJECT**

The Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Culture (Arts and Culture) has been awarded a \$375,000 grant from the Perenchio Foundation to increase youth access to the arts by implementing and expanding professional development for K-6 teachers that builds their capacity to provide culturally relevant, integrated arts instruction centered on social emotional learning, for all students.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:

- 1. Find that the proposed acceptance of the grant award of \$375,000 is not a project under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) for the reasons stated in this Board Letter and the record.
- 2. Approve and authorize Arts and Culture to accept the grant award of \$375,000 from the Perenchio Foundation which will be used to increase youth access to the arts.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

In 2002, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors launched the Los Angeles County Arts Education Collective (Arts Ed Collective) as a regional effort to restore the arts in public education. The Arts Ed Collective is coordinated by the Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Culture, implemented in partnership with the LA County Office of Education and recognized as a national model of collective impact in arts education. Starting with just one school district in each Supervisorial District nearly two decades ago, the Arts Ed Collective now includes a robust coalition of partners – that represent more than 74 school districts, five charter school networks and hundreds of community-based arts organizations, teaching artists, educators, philanthropists, and advocates – all working toward the shared goal that every young person in LA County engages in the arts all year, every year, because the arts are fundamental to human

growth and development. The Countywide initiative is guided by a Leadership Council and a Funders Council which continues to invest in public-private partnership in this formidable movement for arts education across the region.

In April 2018, LA County became the first local government in California to formally adopt the Declaration of Students' Rights to Equity in Arts Learning, recognizing the importance of arts education for all students regardless of race, culture, religion, national origin, place of residence, socio-economic or legal status. With a renewed focus on equity and inclusion and a continuing vision that high quality arts instruction is an essential part of a well-rounded public education, the Board of Supervisors identified the need for an updated regional plan for arts education to reflect the current priorities and educational landscape of LA County.

On October 13, 2020 the Board of Supervisors unanimously adopted Los Angeles County's New Regional Blueprint for Arts Education (Arts Education Blueprint). Building on nearly two decades of work and drawing input from over 600 stakeholders, the Arts Education Blueprint presents an expanded approach with strategies that reach beyond school to include:

- arts instruction for all students, across all grade levels, in all public schools;
- expanded opportunities for arts education after school;
- year-round community-based arts learning;
- access to careers in the creative economy;
- arts-based programs and services, provided in collaboration with multiple County departments, that support children, youth and families; and
- a prioritization of historically underserved populations.

To achieve these aims within public education, the Arts Ed Collective offers LA County school districts and charter networks a continuum of services to increase the quality, quantity and equity of arts instruction in their schools.

Since 2015, the Department of Arts and Culture has worked in partnership with LACOE's Center for Distance and Online Learning (CDOL) to develop and implement the Technology Enhanced Arts Learning (TEAL) professional development program. The most recent iteration of TEAL offers current and pre-service TK-6 educators a series of in-person trainings and online resources focused on integrating the arts, social-emotional learning (SEL) and healing-informed practices into teaching in other core subjects (e.g. language arts, math, science, social studies). This approach allows educators to embed arts-based learning into classroom curriculum while improving both academic and social-emotional outcomes for students. Through a blend of distance and in-person learning, educators can deepen their teaching and student engagement practices, no matter where they live or work in the County.

In response to growing demand from school districts, TEAL aims to next launch a new professional development series on how to incorporate anti-racist pedagogy into classrooms by integrating CASEL's (the Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning's) Transformative SEL Framework into arts instruction. The Department has developed successful relationships with private philanthropy that leverage County investments. The Perenchio Foundation grant will provide funding needed to deliver the TEAL program in Fiscal 2020-21 as a key implementation strategy of the new Arts Education Blueprint.

## <u>Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals</u>

This action supports County Strategic Plan Goal No. II (Foster Vibrant and Resilient Communities), Strategy 11.2.2 (Expand Access to Recreational and Cultural Opportunities) as Arts and Culture works to support goals of increasing youth access to the arts through implementation and expansion of professional development for K-6 teachers that builds their capacity to provide culturally relevant, integrated arts instruction for all students.

## FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

There is no net County Cost impact. Arts and Culture will work with CEO to increase appropriation during the Mid-Year budget adjustment.

## FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The recommended acceptance of the grant award of \$375,000 is not subject to CEQA because such activity is excluded from the definition of a project as an administrative activity by section 21065 of the Public Resources Code and section 15378(b) of the State CEQA Guidelines.

Government Code Section 25335 permits the County to accept grants, donations, or other gifts for a specific County purpose. Section 2.4.2 of the County Fiscal Manual authorizes County departments to accept donations. On June 29, 2020, the Board authorized Arts and Culture to accept grant awards that do not exceed \$250,000.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

If approved this grant would enhance current services by funding the TEAL program allowing up to 400 educators across 20 school districts to participate in professional development that builds their capacity to provide culturally relevant, integrated arts instruction for all students.

#### CONCLUSION

Upon approval Arts and Culture will fund TEAL implementation-related expenditures and offset with revenue from the Perenchio Foundation grant. Should you have any questions, please contact Denise Grande, Director of Arts Education and Youth Development, Arts and Culture, via email at DGrande@arts.lacounty.gov or (213) 359-4147.

Respectfully submitted,

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Director

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c: Chief Executive Office County Counsel