

Sybil B. Harrington Endowment for the Arts

Enriching communities through the arts.



Established with a \$3 million grant from the Sybil B. Harrington Living Trust, the Sybil B. Harrington Endowment for the Arts supports the ongoing artistic and cultural efforts of organizations, both large and small, as well as new and unique arts initiatives in Lubbock and Hale counties.

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The importance of the arts in the life of a community is undeniable. The arts encourage imagination, participation, contemplation and reflection, give us a view of the future, link us to the past, express emotion and feeling, open new avenues of communication and enhance learning. The arts enrich our everyday lives and define us as a great community. Sybil Harrington truly believed this and she was a tremendous supporter of the arts during her lifetime. The *Sybil B. Harrington Endowment for the Arts* will provide opportunities for the growth of the arts community and will also assure the availability of diverse cultural experiences for the citizens of Lubbock and Hale counties.

An advisory committee has been appointed by the Community Foundation of West Texas Board of Trustees to assist in the review of arts proposals. This group will make recommendations to the Foundation's Grants Committee and Board of Trustees for funding of arts activities and initiatives that they believe to be of the greatest benefit to the community. Approximately two-thirds of the grants will be awarded for the support of smaller arts organizations and one-third to larger organizations and for special initiatives.

Community Foundation of West Texas . . . your community foundation

A community foundation is the one vehicle for charitable giving capable of benefiting the broadest range of philanthropic and civic interests in a specific geographic area. Through the power of endowment, those who are charitably minded can establish funds to build permanent sources of charitable assets to meet the existing, as well as emerging, needs of their community.

With the Community Foundation of West Texas as your partner in philanthropy, your charitable giving can be a charitable investment that pays truly remarkable dividends.

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Who is eligible?

Grantmaking policy and grant award decisions are made by the Board of Directors. Support from the Sybil B. Harrington Endowment for the Arts is restricted to organizations in Lubbock and Hale Counties that are 501(c)(3) or the government equivalent. Grants may be made for start-up funding, general operating support, program support, equipment and facilities, emergency needs and demonstration programs. The Foundation does not make grants to individuals, for political purposes, to retire indebtedness or for payment of interest or taxes. All grant recipients must report on the expenditure of grant funds and results of the supported project within one year of the award.

The Process

The Community Foundation of West Texas accepts proposals on January 15th of each year. (If the 15th happens to fall on a weekend or a holiday, proposals are accepted on the first working day following the due date). After we receive your complete proposal, copies will be provided to the Arts Advisory Committee who will review and provide comments. Additional information or a site visit may be requested. The Grants Committee will then make its recommendations to the Board of Directors. You will be notified of the Board's decision as soon as possible after the Board meeting at which your application is considered.

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The Application

- Complete an Application Form. (Online at www.communityfoundationofwesttexas.org)
- Mail or deliver one copy of the Application Form, Narrative, and Attachments to:

Community Foundation of West Texas
6102 82nd Street, 8B
Lubbock, TX 79424

Narrative

- Description of the project and the need for it within the community
- Detailed project budget and specific use of funds requested
- List of grants received/pending related to the project and plans for additional funding
- A plan for evaluation of project success
- Plans for project continuation

Attachments

- Most recent IRS Filing (Form 990)
- A detailed copy of the organization's current annual operating budget and year-to-date financial statements
- A copy of the most recent audit (if no audit, financial statements for previous year)
- A current listing of the Board of Directors

If you have any questions about the proposal process please contact:

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