

CREATIVE SECTOR FLEX FUND

Frequently Asked Questions

Why is it called the Creative Sector Flex Fund?

The name reflects the flexibility of the grant funds for non-profit arts organizations – the grant can be applied to general operating support and/or to arts programming.

When does the application open?

Applications will open May 1 and close June 30 at 11:59 pm. No exceptions. We encourage you to not wait until the last minute to apply; our staff is not in the office on the weekends and will not be available to answer questions if you wait until the last minute to complete your application.

Who can apply?

Arts Organizations, Fiscally-Sponsored Organizations, and Non-Arts Organizations with Consistent Arts-Specific Programming

What is the activity period?

The Grant Activity Period is January 1 – December 31.

Are there reporting requirements?

Yes. A Final Report is due no later than January 31 following the Grant Activity Period. The Final Report will need to demonstrate a monetary match to the grant award and all expenses.

Does the minimum \$10,000 revenue requirement apply to each budget year?

Yes, you must be able to show IRS documents showing a minimum of \$10,000 revenue for each of the preceding two years to the application.

Does this grant require a match?

Yes, all grants must be matched dollar for dollar in cash. In-kind goods and services can NOT be used to match PCA grants. CSFF funds can also not be used to match other PCA grants (and vice versa).

Does the match have to come from one source?

No. Matching funds can be from multiple sources, including ticket fees, donations, and sponsors, which must be reported in the Final Report.

Is the Creative Sector Flex Fund renewable?

No. Applications must be submitted and reviewed by a panel each year. The number of organizations funded each year may vary based on quality of applications and funding from the state of Pennsylvania.

