

Building For the Arts

2021-2023

History of Success

Since its inception in 1991, the Building for the Arts program has raised over \$113 million in state capital construction funds for 241 arts projects in 29 counties across Washington State. Thanks to administration by the Department of Commerce and a citizens advisory board, only projects that have demonstrated sound planning, fiscal solvency, and an ability to raise substantial funds locally are recommended for funding. Reimbursement funds may not exceed 33% of total project costs, nor may they exceed \$2 million total per organization.

This year's Building for the Arts program proposes **21 capital projects** requesting a total of **\$16 million**. Participating organizations represent **8 counties** (Clallam, Grays Harbor, King, Kitsap, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish, and Thurston) and **14 legislative districts** (5th, 10th, 11th, 19th, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 26th, 36th, 38th, 40th, 41st, 43rd & 45th).

Building Significant Economic Impact

The 2021-2023 Building for the Arts program's request of \$16 million in the capital budget is only 22% of the \$72.9 million total cost of capital projects proposed, and is a modest investment in the returns it will bring to the state.

In addition to quality of life contributions these projects will bring to their communities, they will impact on the state's economy through tax revenue and job creation. With construction completion requirements by the end of the biennium cycle, these projects are providing jobs in their communities now. When the construction is complete, arts organizations and their patrons spur business and jobs in service industries, including in restaurants, hotels, and transportation.

2021-23 BFA Projects	District	Request
Field Arts & Events Hall	24	\$2,000,000
Path with Art	36	\$1,757,000
Classical KING FM 98.1	36	\$814,000
Hands-on Children's Museum	22	\$1,600,000
Orcas Center	40	\$133,000
Village Theatre - Francis J. Gaudette Theatre Renovation	5	\$257,000
Bellevue Arts Museum	41	\$243,000
Cornish College of the Arts	43	\$1,600,000
Roxy Bremerton Foundation	26	\$269,000
Pilchuck Glass School	10	\$135,000
Sequim City Band	24	\$250,000
Washington Center for the Performing Arts	22	\$1,464,000
Imagine Children's Museum	38	\$31,000
Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation	19	\$1,600,000
Seattle Symphony Orchestra	43	\$418,000
Bainbridge Performing Arts	23	\$1,600,000
Kirkland Arts Center	45	\$220,000
Village Theatre - New Technical Studio Warehouse	5	\$409,000
Mini Mart City Park	11	\$200,000
Museum of Northwest Art	10	\$500,000
Harlequin Productions	22	\$500,000

Total Request: \$16,000,000

Impacts of the \$72.9 million in construction expenditures on Washington's economy¹:

Direct State Sales Tax \$4.26 million
Direct Local Sales Tax \$1.9 million
B&O Tax \$1.04 million
Total Tax Impact \$12.7 million

Aggregate Sales Impacts \$179.26 million
Total Jobs Created 934
Labor Income Impacts \$56.75 million

¹Estimates calculated using the 2007 Washington Input-Output Model produced by state agencies and legislative staff under the direction of University of Washington Professor Dr. William Beyers and the Office of Financial Management. For more information on Building for the Arts, please contact Katy Corella at katycorella@artsfund.org.