CITY ARTS INVESTMENT FUND

2027 GRANT APPLICATION FORM

Grant Program Contact
Rapid City Arts Council
Email: aif@thedahl.org
Phone: 605.394.4101 x2

Important Dates
Application Due Date:
Friday, January 1, 11:59PM MT
Late applications will not be considered.

Award Notification:
Expected byJanuary 29, 2027
(pending City Council approval)

Final Grant Report Due:
November 19, 2027

Guidelines, application form and additional information available at:
rapidcityartscouncil.org/cityartsfund

Late or incomplete applications will not be considered.

Meeting the application requirements does not ensure proposals will be funded.

How to Submit Your Application
Please direct your application to the Rapid City Arts Council using one of these methods:

1. Email
Submit application materials to aif@thedahl.org, Subject: "2027 AIF Application - Applicant Name"

2. Postal Service
Submit materials postmarked by the application due date addressed to:
Rapid City Arts Council
713 7th St
Rapid City, SD 57701
ENC: AIF Application

3. In Person
Deliver materials in a sealed envelope labeled "RCAC/AIF Application" to RCAC staff at the main desk of the Dahl Arts Center, 713 7th St, Rapid City, SD

Application Instructions:
Complete the application in the outline and format provided in this form. Only applications that conform to the outline and have required supporting documents attached will be considered.

Submittal Instructions:
Submit completed application form and required supporting documents to RCAC by 11:59 PM MT on Friday, January 1, 2027, using one of the three acceptable methods listed on first section of the application form. RCAC will email to confirm successful submissions within two (2) business days.

Questions:
Questions about the grant process or requirements may sent to aif@thedahl.org.

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Please complete the following application form in the outline and format provided. While there is no page or character limit, we encourage responses to be concise yet comprehensive, addressing all key points clearly and briefly.

1. Organization Information

Name of Organization:

Name of Program/Project (or season), if General Operating Support, please indicate GOS here:

Legal Name, if applicable:

Federal Employer Identification Number:

Contact Name:
Phone:
Email:

Mailing Address (billing):

Where is your organization physically located?

2. What is your mission statement?

3. What is your annual operating budget?
List a specific dollar amount. Include any necessary explanations.

4. Requested Grant Amount*
What amount of funding are you seeking (please be specific)? *average grant awards are $7,500.

5. **Proposed Project/Program**
   Please provide a clear and concise description of your program or project, highlighting its key aspects in alignment with the grant guidelines. Strong responses will directly address the selection criteria, demonstrate feasibility, and clearly articulate how the proposed activities support the goals of the Arts Investment Fund.

6. **Program/Project Dates**
   Please outline the timeline for your program/project. When will the program/project start and end?

7. **Describe the community your program serves:**
   Tell us about the community you propose to impact with your project/program. Include a summary of locations where programming will occur. Please describe the audience with specific demographics. If you are seeking funding for a new program, what is your target audience.

8. **How do you make your program accessible to ~~people with disabilities~~ everyone in our community?**

9. What is your organization's non-discrimination policy?

Award recipients must comply with applicable conscience protections and federal civil rights laws that prohibit discrimination based on race, color, national origin, disability, and age. Organizations whose policies do not comply with non-discrimination laws are not eligible to apply.

10. Required Supporting Documents

Please include the following four (4) attachments with your application:

i. **Program/Project Budget**: A detailed budget showing all income and expense projections for your program or project.

ii. **List of Current Officers and Board Members**: Provide a complete list of your organization's current officers and board members.

iii. **Most Recent Financial Statements**: Submit financial statements prepared by a certified public accountant (CPA) *or* a copy of your IRS Form 990.

- *Note:* Financial statements may include a signed statement from your accountant certifying their accuracy: *"I hereby certify that these financial statements are true and correct."*

iv. **IRS 501(c)(3) Determination Letter**: Attach a copy of your organization's IRS determination letter confirming 501(c)(3) tax-exempt status.

Please ensure all required documents are included, as incomplete applications will not be considered.

11. Certification

I certify that my organization has reviewed the 2027 Grant Guidelines in full as posted at: www.rapidcityartscouncil.org/cityartsfund

In addition, I certify that the information contained in this application and all its supporting documents are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature: _____

Print Name:

Title:

Date: