



State of South Carolina Request for Contribution Distribution

This form is designed to collect the information required by South Carolina in accordance with Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act and Executive Order 2022-19. This form must be submitted to the state agency that is providing the contribution for the designated organization. The state agency providing the contribution should use this form to collect information from the designated organization. The information must be collected from the designated organization before the funds can be disbursed.

Contribution Information

Amount	State Agency Providing the Contribution	Purpose
	P280 - Department of Parks, Recreation, and Tourism	Arts Council of York County's 20th Annual Blues & Jazz Festival, Rock Hill, SC

Organization Information

Entity Name	Arts Council of York County
Address	121 E. Main St.
City/State/Zip	Rock Hill, SC 29730
Website	https://www.yorkcountyvarts.org
Tax ID#	57-0667359
Entity Type	Nonprofit Organization

Organization Contact Information

Contact Name	Melanie Cooper
Position/Title	Executive Director
Telephone	803-328-2787
Email	mcooper@yorkcountyvarts.org

Plan/Accounting of how these funds will be spent:

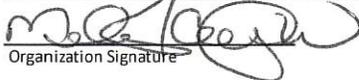
Description	Budget	Explanation
Entertainment	\$20,000.00	8 - 10 bands
Administrative & Fees	\$15,550.00	licensing fees, staffing
T-shirts	\$3,000.00	event t-shirts for staff, volunteers, and patrons
Rentals	\$500.00	lights, monitors, generators, porta potties
Insurance	\$500.00	event insurance
Off-Duty Police Officers	\$1,500.00	event security
Marketing	\$14,000.00	ad placements (radio, web, social media), brochures, event signage
Supplies	\$200.00	event wristbands, name badges, lanyards, flashlights, tablecloths, sidewalk signs
Grand Total	\$55,250.00	

Please explain how these funds will be used to provide a public benefit:

The Blues & Jazz Festival is a highlight of the Arts Council of York County's cultural calendar, inviting festivalgoers to immerse themselves in the infectious rhythms, soulful sounds, and high-energy performances that define these music genres. This unique event not only celebrates the roots of modern music but also serves as a platform to support local musicians and businesses. Rather than presenting the music on a stage in a park or civic space, the Arts Council partners with local restaurants and event venues to host the bands within their spaces, allowing patrons to support the Arts Council and the musicians, but also support the businesses through the purchase of food and drinks from the establishments. The majority of the bands and musicians performing at the festival are from South Carolina, and participating venues have reported a significant increase in sales of 25% to 50% during the Blues & Jazz Festival. With the state's support, we aim to significantly grow the festival in 2024. The funds requested will be used to compensate the bands and invest in marketing efforts to expand our reach, attracting a broader audience to this annual event.

Organization Certifications

- 1) Organization hereby gives assurance that no person shall, upon the grounds of race, creed, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which this organization is responsible.
- 2) Organization certifies that it will provide quarterly spending reports to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 3) Organization certifies that it will provide an accounting at the end of the fiscal year to the Agency Providing Contribution listed above.
- 4) Organization certifies that it will allow the State Auditor to audit or cause to be audited the contributed funds.


Organization Signature

Executive Director
Title

10/15/2024
Date

Melanie J. Cooper
Printed Name

Certifications of State Agency Providing Contribution

- 1) State Agency certifies that the planned expenditure aligns with the Agency's mission and/or the purpose specified in the appropriations act.
- 2) State Agency certifies that the Organization has set forth a public purpose to be served through receipt of the expenditure.
- 3) State Agency certifies that it will make distributions directly to the organization.
- 4) State Agency certifies that it will provide the quarterly spending reports and accounting received from the organization to the Senate Finance Committee, House Ways and Means Committee, and the Executive Budget Office by June 30, 2025.
- 5) State Agency certifies that it will publish on their website any and all reports, accountings, forms, updates, communications, or other materials required by Proviso 117.21 of the appropriations act.
- 6) State Agency will certify to the Office of the Governor that it has complied with the requirements of Executive Order 2022-19 by June 30, 2025.


Agency Head Signature

10/16/2024
Date

Duane Parrish
Printed Name