LOI Parks California

2025 Arts in California Parks - Implementation Grant

Parks California

Letter of Intent (LOI) Application

All LOIs will be reviewed, scored, and ranked by a Proposal Review Committee to determine which projects move forward. To ensure statewide representation, proposals will be ranked within their respective regions, with a minimum of two projects funded per region.

To support underrepresented regions, including the North Coast, Sacramento Valley, Sierra Nevada, Central Coast, Central Valley, Inland Desert, and Native lands, these areas will receive focused outreach and support. Final funding decisions will be based solely on Full Application scores to ensure an equitable selection process.

Letter of Intent applications are due by Friday, March 14, 2025, at 5 p.m.

Organization Type*

Please select your organization type from the options below.

If invited to submit a full application, nonprofit organizations will be asked to upload 501c3 status letter from IRS.

Choices

501(c)3 organization California Native American tribe Native 7871 Organization Fiscally Sponsored Community Organization Local Government Agency

Primary Local Park*

Please list the name and address of the primary local park where the project will take place.

Example: Rainbow Park, 800 Capitol Drive. Arcadia, CA, 97356

Character Limit: 250

If your program has more than one primary park location:

Please list the names and addresses of the additional local parks here.

Character Limit: 1000

Partnership*

List your project partner organization(s) and include the names and titles of the key people who will work closely on the project.

If invited to submit a full application, letters from your project partners explaining their roles will be required.

Character Limit: 1000

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Project Name*

Character Limit: 100

Grant Request Amount*

Character Limit: 6

Project Summary*

Provide an overview of your project, including the intended audience, confirmed locations, and key activities. Describe how the project aligns with your goals and timeline, specifying whether it will take place once or multiple times during the grant period. If any aspects are still being finalized, explain how this phase will support the project's successful implementation.

Character Limit: 3000

Community Engagement*

How will community engagement activities (e.g., workshops, surveys, public meetings) shape the project/program while promoting inclusivity and accessibility?

Character Limit: 3000

Artistic Focus*

What is the artistic vision of your project, and how does it align with your goals and community engagement efforts?

Character Limit: 3000

Artist or Organization Selection Process*

What was your artist selection process and key priorities for partnering with an artist(s) or the organization responsible for leading artistic aspects of the project?

Character Limit: 3000

Cultural Relevance*

How does your project engage with the historical, contemporary, and/or future narratives of the local community, and how will it ensure cultural relevance within the region?

Character Limit: 3000

Project Budget

Provide a high-level budget by entering estimated percentages that will be dedicated to the following program categories.

If no cost is associated with a specific category, please input "O".

Please keep in mind:

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• These numbers are directional and not binding. However, if invited to the next round, your budget should remain within 10% of the overall amount provided.

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• We anticipate awards ranging between \$15,000 to \$150,000 for Implementation Grants. We recommend requesting an amount that aligns with the scope and scale of your proposed project.

Category	Estimated Budget by Category	Justification/Details
Salary & benefits		
Fees associated with artists selection processes		
Artist fees		
Art materials and/or installation costs		
Communications and community engagement		
Indirect costs		
Matching grant funds		
Total Budget		

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Implementation LOI Scoresheet

Scoring Category	Value %
Alignment with Program Goals	32 %
Demonstrates alignment with the <u>Arts in California Parks</u> program goals.	
Community Engagement Approach Clear and inclusive strategy for community participation, outreach, and accessible programming that reflects the project's cultural and social landscape.	17%
Artist Selection Process Process and priorities for selecting artist(s) emphasizing equity, inclusion, and alignment with the project's goals.	17%
Cultural Relevancy	17%
Integrates inclusive community engagement strategies in the development of art an culture programming to enhance cultural and social relevance.	
Project Budget	17%
Alignment between the budget and the project's scope and objectives.	
Bonus Scoring Opportunities	Points
Recurring Experiences	5
Offer multiple opportunities for participants to return to the park for art programming on more than one occasion	3
Matchina Contributions	5
Matching Contributions Additional funding or in-kind support to enhance impact and sustainability.	3
Project in a Focused Support Region	5
As identified on the 2025/26 Arts in California Parks Regional Map, focused support regions receive additional support.	