

# ARPA for Arts and Culture

Call on state leaders to invest \$10 million to rebuild the arts and cultural sector!



Last year, we came close to receiving \$10 million in American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding to rebuild arts and culture statewide. In 2023, we need state leaders to finish what they began! Now is the time to remind state leaders that rebuilding the arts and cultural sector is essential for our state's long-term prosperity.

## Here's how you can help:

1. Call and **THANK** your state senator and state representative ([find yours here](#)). *Make sure to call your state—not federal—senator and representative.* Last year, state legislators overwhelmingly supported ARPA funding for arts and culture.
2. Kindly **ASK** that they revisit their commitment in 2023 and ensure a \$10 million investment to rebuild the state arts and cultural sector.

If approved, ARPA funding for arts and culture will be administered by the Oklahoma Arts Council. The state agency is leading a partnership with statewide arts and cultural organizations to rebuild the sector, which has been hit hard by the pandemic.

## ARPA for arts and culture will:

- Assure the long-term health of arts and cultural organizations
- Generate an innovative and creative workforce
- Stimulate rural economies and invigorate cultural districts
- Drive cultural tourism, especially in rural areas
- Restore and preserve cultural assets statewide
- Rebuild arts and cultural facilities
- Launch creative placemaking initiatives
- Save jobs
- And, much more!

How will ARPA for arts and culture be invested? **50% Rural**  
**50% OKC/Tulsa**

