

Harney County Cultural Coalition Grants

Guidelines & Application Instructions

Harney County Cultural Coalition (HCCC) consists of a volunteer board of directors, and associates, whose main task is to oversee the Harney County Cultural Plan and re-grant locally the funds received annually from the Oregon Cultural Trust.

The purpose of the HCCC is to facilitate and encourage the growth, development, and countywide enjoyment and participation in Harney County's diverse Arts, Culture, and Heritage.

In the Cultural Plan, the HCCC presents three priorities for funding: Awareness, Access, and Education. Successful grant applications will address one or more of the Coalition's strategies (included below as bullets) for achieving these priorities for strengthening the cultural fabric of the community.

Awareness: Promote awareness of the arts, heritage, and humanities in our community.

- As the HCCC, be more visible and proactive.
- Promote awareness of cultural resources, opportunities, and events.
- Foster communication, collaboration, and partnerships.
- Support diverse cultural activities and organizations.

Access: Ensure that cultural activities are affordable, inclusive, diverse, and available.

- Support continued use of existing venues and the development of new ones.
- Support planning efforts and programs that relate to our community's heritage, encourage cultural preservation, explore the humanities, or provide public exhibitions of culture.
- Encourage participation in cultural events.
- Expand public support and involvement in the arts, heritage, and humanities.

Education: Provide opportunities to experience the arts, heritage, and humanities.

- Support participatory workshops and activities for cultural self-expression, literacy, and understanding.
- Encourage resident providers of culture of all kinds to give workshops in the schools and the community.
- Support community organizations' efforts to supplement in-school cultural curriculum.
- Encourage cultural partnerships for involving youth in cultural programs outside the school setting.

The Oregon Cultural Trust designates approximately one third of the funds it distributes annually as Community Cultural Participation (CCP) Grants to cultural coalitions in Oregon's 36 counties and nine federally recognized tribes. The CCP Grant Program supports community-based cultural events, programs, and organizations. **The Grants can be used for a specific cultural event, program, or activity as long as it is open to the public and is in support of local projects that further HCCC's Cultural Plan.**

Eligibility

Applications will be accepted only from residents of or organizations headquartered in Harney County for cultural projects and activities that benefit this community. Applicants must be designated 501(c)(3) non-profit organizations or partner with one that is willing to handle the grant funds for you, i.e., a fiscal agent. Grant proposals must address one of the three HCCC priorities.

Grant Awards

Available funding for this grant cycle will be determined by the Oregon Cultural Trust. HCCC awards typically range from \$100 to \$1500 each. Grant funds will not be awarded for the same or similar project or event more than two successive years.

How to Apply

Please submit 5 copies of the application packet. A completed application packet will include:

1. Harney County Cultural Coalition Grant Application Form
2. Project Description: (Please limit to no more than three single-sided pages.) Individual, group or organization responsible for the project; state mission or purpose of your organization, year founded and the primary activities and accomplishments of your group; describe your project in detail and include activities, timeline and location; who will benefit from the grant including total estimated participants; how the project fits with at least one of the three HCCC priorities; method of measuring success of project.
3. Project Budget: Provide details about expenditures and the source of any other funds, including cash and in-kind donations. If the grant will support an ongoing activity, explain how it will be funded in the future. If only partially funded, how will you implement the project?
4. Copy of the IRS 501(c)(3) determination letter for applicant or applicant's fiscal agent.

Please mail all copies of application packet to:

**Harney County Cultural Coalition
PO Box 564
Hines, OR 97738**

Applications must be postmarked by November 1 of this year. Late applications will not be accepted.

Grant applications will be evaluated based on how well the proposed project fits with the priorities of HCCC's Cultural Plan. Grant awards will be announced mid-December. Projects must be completed and Final Report submitted at the end of the project, but no later than November 1 of the year following award.

Help is available! Questions concerning the application process should be directed to Coalition members at: hccc564@gmail.com.

Harney County Cultural Coalition Grant Application Form

Project Name: _____

Organization Applying: _____

Address: _____

Contact Person for This Project (please print): _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Amount Requested: _____

Project Start Date: _____ Project Completion Date: _____

Official of organization requesting grant funding:

Name (please print) Title

Signature Date Email or Phone

Does the Applicant have 501(c)(3) status? * _____yes _____no

*Refers to an organization that has obtained tax-exempt status from the IRS under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

If not, what organization will be the fiscal agent for this project? _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Fiscal Agent Contact (please print) Title

Signature Date

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Amount Awarded: _____ **Conditions of award, if any:** _____

