

## Arts Commission

### FY 24-25 Budget Recommendations **DRAFT**

- \$548K for Cultural Arts Division staff and admin fees from General Fund, alleviating this expense from the limited Hotel Occupancy Tax reserved for CAD funding.  
***\$548,000 / City of Austin General Fund***
- Fiscal support for Service Organizations to be issued  
***\$500,000 / City of Austin General Fund***
- Fiscal support for Community Navigators in order to better support applicants during the cultural funding program application process, in particular for **translation service providers**.  
***\$1 Million / City of Austin General Fund***
- Fiscal support to continue the Austin Civilian Conservation Core program.  
***\$1 Million / City of Austin General Fund***
- Funding\* to support the Austin Economic Development Corporation to continue implementing the Cultural Trust program, especially with Common Area Maintenance and other associated costs borne by operators who would be managing spaces for community use \*Economic Development Department has provided funding to the extent feasible within their Department budget but cannot continue to contribute funding (see memo attached), so any funding for AEDC would need to be identified through another City source.  
***(Amount?)***

#### **Items from the Music Budget Requests to consider including:**

- Fiscal support for the Creative Space Assistance Program – match FY23-34 funding lever. CSAP awards between \$5,000 and \$50,000 to commercial creative spaces facing displacement or new leases at higher and unaffordable rates. Grant funds may be used for revenue-generating space improvements, partial lease payments, and gap financing for creative space purchases.  
***\$1.5 Million/ City General Fund***