



New Hampshire State Council on the Arts

The [New Hampshire State Council on the Arts](#) (NHSCA) is a state agency within the [Department of Natural and Cultural Resources](#). Grants and services offered by NHSCA enhance the quality of life in New Hampshire by stimulating economic growth, investing in the creativity of students and improving academic outcomes, making the arts accessible to underserved populations, and preserving heritage arts.

The Council's grant categories are designed to meet constituent needs and serve as a public investment in communities throughout the state. Grants are competitive and require applicants to address specific criteria, exemplify high standards of excellence in artistry and administration, and leverage private sector support in the form of matching funds, goods and services.

Grants are awarded through a combination of state and federal ([National Endowment for the Arts](#)) funds. Applications are adjudicated through a peer panel review process, based upon the concept of public input on the expenditure of public funds. Individuals with relevant art form and/or arts practice expertise serve as panelists for each category. Panelists review applications and work samples and evaluate them based upon published criteria.

In FY 2019, 92 grants were awarded in the following categories: [Artist Residencies in Schools](#); [Arts in Health](#); [Cultural Conservation \(Mooseplates\)](#); [General Projects for Community Engagement](#); [Poetry Out Loud](#); [Public Value Partnerships](#); [Traditional Arts Apprenticeships](#); and [Youth Arts Projects](#).

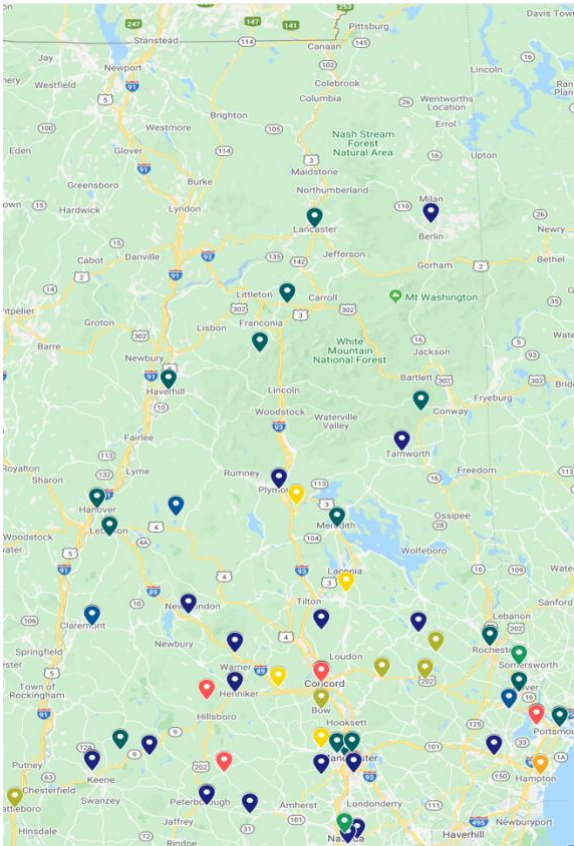
This profile provides a statistical snapshot of the agency's grant investments in FY 2019. The grant total of \$593,060 was **48.3%** of the agency's fiscal year spending, well above the National Endowment for the Arts' mandate. These investments leveraged \$1.5 million in in-kind goods and services, and **over \$47 million in income** by grantee organizations and projects.

For more information about NHSCA and its grant programs, please visit <http://www.nh.gov/nharts/>.



IMPACT OF NHSCA GRANTS FY 2019	
Total number of applications received	107
Total number of grants awarded	92
Number of grants supported through state funds	58
Number of grants supported through federal NEA grant to NHSCA	34
Total amount of grants awarded	\$593,060
Amount of in-kind goods and services leveraged	\$1.5 million
Grantee income leveraged to support projects/organizations	\$47.7 million
Number of communities benefiting from grants	2,916
Number of people benefiting from programs supported by grants	847,535
Number of youth benefiting from grants	159,321
Number of NH artists engaged to perform, demonstrate, teach, etc.	4,599
<i>Data is drawn from FY 2019 grantee final reports as of February 2020.</i>	

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County	City	Grantee Name	Grant Program	Title	Grant
Belknap	Belmont	Belmont Elementary School	Artist Residencies in Schools	To support an artist residency with Gowri Savoor	\$2,250.00
Belknap	Center Barnstead	Hampstead Stage Company	Community Arts Engagement	To support 26 performances of an adaptation of the play: I Never Saw Another Butterfly	\$4,050.00
Belknap	Meredith	The Winnepesaukee PlayHouse	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,750.00
Carroll	Conway	Mountain Top Music Center	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,100.00
Carroll	Tamworth	Arts Council of Tamworth	Community Arts Engagement	To support stroytelling with Regi Carpenter around difficult social issues	\$1,500.00
Cheshire	East Sullivan	Apple Hill Center for Chamber Music	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,100.00
Cheshire	Keene	Arts Alive Inc.	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$4,725.00
Cheshire	Keene	Colonial Theatre	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,750.00
Cheshire	Keene	MOCO Arts	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$13,000.00
Cheshire	Keene	Historical Society of Cheshire County	Community Arts Engagement	To suport Traditional Artists at the Wyman Tavern Festival	\$4,050.00
Cheshire	Keene	Keene Chorale	Community Arts Engagement	To support the Berstein Mass Performance celebrating the 100th anniversary	\$3,600.00
Cheshire	Keene	Monadnock International Film Festival	Community Arts Engagement	To support the Mondanock International Film Festival	\$4,050.00
Cheshire	Nelson	Bach With Verse	Community Arts Engagement	To support the Bach With Verse Correctional Facilities Outreach Concert Project	\$4,050.00
Coos	Berlin	Saint Kieran Community Center for the Arts	Community Arts Engagement	To support the Cultural Heritage Music project	\$4,050.00
Coos	Lancaster	Arts Alliance of Northern NH	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$13,000.00
Grafton	Ashland	Ashland Elementary School/SAU 2	Artist Residencies in Schools	To support an artist residency with Circulus for a year long integrated experience	\$4,500.00
Grafton	Bethlehem	Bethlehem Redevelopment Assoc.	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,750.00
Grafton	Canaan	Cardigan Mountain Art Assoc	Cultural Conservation	To restore Canaan's historic hand-painted scenery curtain	\$10,870.00
Grafton	Franconia	Friends of the Frost Place	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$8,750.00
Grafton	Hanover	Camerata New England	Youth Arts Projects	To support the Camerata Strings program at Lebanon	\$3,600.00
Grafton	Hanover	Revels North Inc	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$7,500.00
Grafton	Haverhill	Haverhill Heritage Inc.	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$5,600.00
Grafton	Lebanon	Community Gallery Inc.	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$10,000.00
Grafton	Lebanon	Lebanon Opera House Improvement	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,750.00
Grafton	Plymouth	NH Master Chorale	Community Arts Engagement	To present the performance of Considering Matthew Shepard in remembrance of the 20th anniversary	\$4,500.00
Grafton	Plymouth	Plymouth State University	Community Arts Engagement	To support the White Mountain Arts Festival	\$4,050.00
Hillsborough	Bedford	Jewish Federation of New Hampshire	Community Arts Engagement	To support the Jewish Federation of NH Film Festival	\$3,600.00
Hillsborough	Goffstown	Mountain View Middle School/SAU 19	Artist Residencies in Schools	To support an artist residency with Lizz Van Saun: Mountain View Mosaics	\$3,600.00
Hillsborough	Greenfield	Crotched Mountain Foundation	Arts in Health Projects	To support the healing arts program for students with disabilities	\$3,900.00
Hillsborough	Hillsborough	Farmsteads of New England	Arts in Health Projects	To support the artistic expression and connections program for adults with developmental disabilities	\$4,000.00
Hillsborough	Hudson	Nashua Choral Society	Community Arts Engagement	To support a 25 piece professional orchestra to accompany the NCS in a performance of Mozart's Requiem	\$3,440.00
Hillsborough	Manchester	Easter Seals NH	Arts in Health Projects	To support the Alzheimer's Café and art program	\$2,850.00
Hillsborough	Manchester	Sister Francoise DeMers	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Apprenticeship in Traditional Russian Iconography Painting-Apprentice to Marina Forbes	\$1,000.00
Hillsborough	Manchester	Currier Museum of Art	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$13,000.00
Hillsborough	Manchester	Manchester Community Music School	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,100.00
Hillsborough	Manchester	Palace Theatre Trust	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,100.00
Hillsborough	Manchester	Saint Anselm College	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,750.00

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Hillsborough	Manchester	Granite State Blues	Community Arts Engagement	To support six presentations of Blues Music at three locations for Easter Seals program participants	\$1,800.00
Hillsborough	Manchester	Theatre KAPOW	Community Arts Engagement	To support the premiere of Silent Sky	\$3,150.00
Hillsborough	Nashua	Amherst St School/SAU #42	Artist Residencies in Schools	To support an artist residency in African Drum and Dance with Theo Martey	\$4,050.00
Hillsborough	Nashua	United Way of Greater Nashua, Inc	Youth Arts Projects	To support the String Program in the Nashua School District	\$4,500.00
Hillsborough	Nashua	Symphony NH	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,100.00
Hillsborough	Nashua	City Arts Nashua	Community Arts Engagement	To support the 2019 Nashua Art Walk	\$4,000.00
Hillsborough	Peterborough	Monadnock Music	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,100.00
Hillsborough	Peterborough	Peterborough Players Inc.	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,100.00
Hillsborough	Peterborough	Electric Earth Concerts	Community Arts Engagement	To support the Open Doors program-7 free on site musical encounters around the community	\$4,050.00
Hillsborough	Peterborough	Town of Peterborough	Community Arts Engagement	To support an artist residency for the Town of Peterborough Community Parade	\$4,500.00
Hillsborough	Wilton	Andy's Inc.	Community Arts Engagement	To support the Kulturbund Project residency in Wilton	\$3,600.00
Merrimack	Bow	Anne Baier	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Accordion Music of New England and Scotland-Apprentice to Sylvia Miskoe	\$1,000.00
Merrimack	Canterbury	Canterbury Shaker Village	Community Arts Engagement	To support Traditional Artists in crafts and music at Canterbury Skaer Village events	\$4,500.00
Merrimack	Concord	New American Africans	Youth Arts Projects	To support a Traditional African Dance Group for at-risk middle & high school students	\$3,600.00
Merrimack	Concord	Concord Hospital Inc.	Arts in Health Projects	To support creating art during acute medical care	\$3,900.00
Merrimack	Concord	Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Assn	Arts in Health Projects	To support therapeutic music intervention	\$3,560.00
Merrimack	Concord	NH Assn for the Blind	Arts in Health Projects	To support the Adaptive Pottery for Adults Living with Sight Loss project	\$1,600.00
Merrimack	Concord	Sylvia Miskoe	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Accordion Music of New England and Scotland-Master Artist for Anne Baier	\$2,400.00
Merrimack	Concord	R.P. Hale	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Letterpress Printing-Master Artist for Sarah Schultz	\$2,400.00
Merrimack	Concord	Capitol Center for the Arts	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,100.00
Merrimack	Concord	Concord Community Music School	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$13,000.00
Merrimack	Concord	League of NH Craftsmen Inc.	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,750.00
Merrimack	Concord	NH State Library	Community Arts Engagement	To support the Kids, Books & the Arts program supporting literacy and art in public libraries	\$4,050.00
Merrimack	Contoocook	Hopkinton School District/SAU 66	Artist Residencies in Schools	To support an artist residency with Marek Bennett creating comics to illustrate community traditions	\$2,424.00
Merrimack	Epsom	Sarah May Schultz	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Letterpress Printing-Apprentice to R.P. Hale	\$979.00
Merrimack	Henniker	The Alchemists	Arts in Health Projects	Timeslips in NH Pilot Project	\$3,900.00
Merrimack	Henniker	The Alchemists	Community Arts Engagement	To support the development of a play about the Huntress sisters of Keene	\$3,600.00
Merrimack	New London	Center for the Arts Lake Sunapee Region	Community Arts Engagement	To support First Fridays! A series of twelve free cultural events, offered on the First Friday of each month	\$3,150.00
Merrimack	Warner	Pillsbury Free Library	Cultural Conservation	To restore two 1891 stained glass windows at the library	\$2,097.00
Merrimack	Warner	Mt Kearsarge Indian Museum	Community Arts Engagement	To support a series of workshops to highlight Native craft	\$3,150.00
Out-of-State	Brattleboro	Kevin Moreau	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Apprenticeship in Traditional Blacksmithing-Master Artist for Thomas Boucher	\$2,400.00
Rockingham	Exeter	American Independence Museum	Community Arts Engagement	To support Traditional Artisans Village at the American Independence Festival	\$3,600.00
Rockingham	Exeter	Southern District YMCA	Community Arts Engagement	To support Y-Active in the Arts a movement and painting program for K-5	\$2,100.00
Rockingham	Hampton	NH Learning Initiative	Poetry Out Loud	To support the 2018/2019 NH Poetry Out Loud Competition	\$27,000.00
Rockingham	Northwood	Thomas Boucher	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Apprenticeship in Traditional Blacksmithing Apprentice to Kevin Moreau	\$1,000.00
Rockingham	Portsmouth	Arts In Reach: Encouraging Growth through the Arts	Youth Arts Projects	To support the Summer Works Program for underserved adolescent girls	\$4,500.00
Rockingham	Portsmouth	Friends of the Music Hall	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,750.00

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Rockingham	Portsmouth	NH Theatre Project	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,100.00
Rockingham	Portsmouth	Pontine Theatre-New Hampshire Mime Co.	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$6,375.00
Rockingham	Portsmouth	Prescott Park Arts Festival	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$13,000.00
Rockingham	Portsmouth	Portsmouth Music & Arts Ctr	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$13,000.00
Rockingham	Portsmouth	Strawbery Banke Museum	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$13,000.00
Rockingham	Portsmouth	NH Theatre Project	Arts in Health Projects	To support a tour and community discussion of the play A Wider Circle addressing substance misuse	\$4,500.00
Strafford	Dover	The Children's Museum of NH	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$13,000.00
Strafford	Durham	University of NH	Cultural Conservation	To create access to the University of New Hampshire's Bowen Textile Collection through digitization	\$18,000.00
Strafford	Rochester	Rochester Opera House	Cultural Conservation	To restore the historic seats at the Rochester Opera House	\$20,000.00
Strafford	Rochester	Paul Spencer	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Decoy Carving-Apprentice to Fred Dolan	\$750.00
Strafford	Rochester	Marina Forbes	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Russian Icon Painting-Master Artist for Fran DeMers	\$2,400.00
Strafford	Rochester	Rochester Opera House	Public Value Partnerships	Investment in Cultural Infrastructure	\$9,750.00
Strafford	Somersworth	Arts Rochester Inc	Youth Arts Projects	To support an after school dance program for elementary and middle school children from underserved schools	\$3,600.00
Strafford	Strafford	Fred Dolan	Traditional Arts Apprenticeships	Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Decoy Carving-Master Artist for Paul Spencer	\$2,400.00
Sullivan	Claremont	Union Episcopal Church	Youth Arts Projects	To support The Youth Arts Enrichment Initiative in the Claremont area	\$4,500.00
Sullivan	Claremont	Claremont Senior Center	Arts in Health Projects	To support seniors in an underserved community the opportunity to visit cultural sites	\$3,000.00
Sullivan	Claremont	Claremont Opera House	Cultural Conservation	To restore original historic seats in the Claremont Opera House	\$20,000.00