



New Hampshire State Council on the Arts

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The [New Hampshire State Council on the Arts](#) (NHSCA) is a state agency within the [Department of Cultural Resources](#). Grants and services offered by Council 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 2015 grants were awarded in the following categories: [Artist Residencies in Schools](#); [Arts in Health](#); [Cultural Conservation \(Mooseplates\)](#); [General Projects for Community Engagement](#); [Public Value Partnerships](#); [Traditional Arts Apprenticeships](#); and [Youth Arts Projects](#).

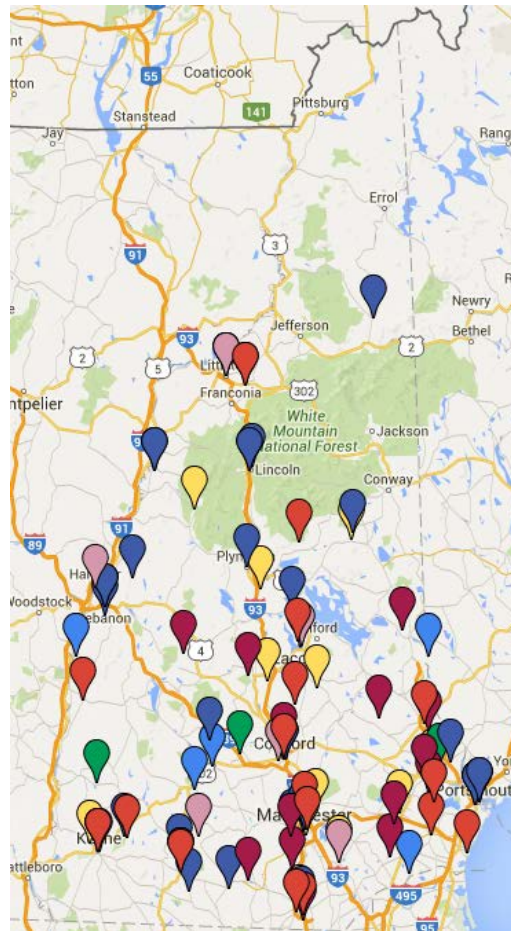
This profile provides a statistical snapshot of the agency's grant investments in FY 2015. The grant total of \$611,096 was **62%** of the agency's annual budget, well above the National Endowment for the Arts' mandate. These investments leveraged over \$1.3 million in in-kind goods and services, and **close to \$37 million in direct spending** 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 2015 | |
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| Total number of applications received • | 127 |
| Total number of grants awarded • | 104 |
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| Number of grants supported by state funds • | 58 |
| Number of grants supported by NEA grant to NHSCA • | 47 |
| Total \$ amount of grants awarded • | \$611,096 |
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| Amount of in-kind goods and services leveraged ♦ | \$1,313,049 |
| Direct spending of grantee projects/organizations ♦ | \$36,919,805 |
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| Number of communities impacted by grants ♦ | 4,380 |
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| Number of people participating in grant supported programs/organizations ♦ | 1,724,153 |
| Number of youth participating ♦ | 333,733 |
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| Number of artists employed to perform, demonstrate, teach, etc. ♦ | 6,358 |
| Number of NH artists employed ♦ | 3,531 |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Data represents grants awarded for projects occurring in FY 2015 ♦ Data is drawn from FY 2015 grantee final reports as of March, 2016 | |

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| County | City | Grantee Name | Grant Program | Project Title | Grant Amount |
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| Belknap | Gilmanton | Gilmanton School District/SAU 79 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Marty Kelley in Illustrations & Creative Writing | \$1,590.00 |
| Carroll | Tamworth | Kenneth A Brett School/SAU 13 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Mark Ragonese | \$4,500.00 |
| Carroll | North Conway | Kennett High School/SAU 9 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with TJ Wheeler | \$2,550.00 |
| Cheshire | Keene | Keene School District/SAU 29 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Sherry Gould at the Keene Middle School | \$2,765.00 |
| Grafton | Holderness | Holderness Central School/SAU 48 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency around the theme of leadership with four NH Teaching Artists | \$4,050.00 |
| Grafton | Warren | Warren Village School/SAU 23 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Catherine Judge | \$1,595.00 |
| Hillsboro | Nashua | Amherst St School | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Marek Bennett on Storytelling and Publishing | \$1,020.00 |
| Hillsboro | Manchester | Making Community Connections Charter School | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Hans Schepker in math and design | \$2,560.00 |
| Merrimack | Hooksett | Hooksett School District/SAU 15 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Cynthia Robinson in Ecological Literacy | \$1,915.00 |
| Merrimack | Northfield | Southwick School/ Winnisquam SAU 59 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Theo Martey and Sgun Olorunfemi around the theme of African culture | \$3,525.00 |
| Rockingham | Epping | Epping Elementary School/SAU 14 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Randy Armstrong and Theo Martey learning West African drumming & dance | \$3,825.00 |
| Rockingham | Derry | Ernest Barka Elementary School/SAU 10 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency with Marty Kelley in Illustration & Creative Writing | \$3,175.00 |
| Strafford | Madbury | Moharimet Elementary School/SAU 5 | Artist Residencies in Schools | To support an artist residency at two schools with artist Jeff Erwin around the theme of kindness & acceptance | \$3,600.00 |
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| Belknap | Laconia | Genesis Behavioral Health | Arts in Health | To support an interactive and participatory visual arts program for youth with mental health issues | \$2,525.00 |
| Grafton | Littleton | Arts Alliance of Northern NH | Arts in Health | To support arts programming at North Country hospitals | \$4,500.00 |
| Grafton | Hanover | League of NH Craftsmen | Arts in Health | To support a participatory crafts outreach program to Upper Valley health facilities | \$1,875.00 |
| Hillsboro | Greenfield | Crotched Mountain Foundation | Arts in Health | To support the Adaptive Dance Program | \$4,500.00 |
| Merrimack | Concord | Concord Hospital Inc. | Arts in Health | To support arts programming for families participating in cancer treatment | \$3,765.00 |
| Rockingham | Derry | Pinkerton Academy | Arts in Health | To support accessible outreach activities for blind and low vision audiences | \$3,870.00 |
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| Belknap | Laconia | Laconia Historical Society | Cultural Conservation | To support the conservation of the Moulton Opera House grand drape theater curtain | \$16,000.00 |
| Hillsboro | Hillsborough | Hillsborough Historical Society | Cultural Conservation | To provide access to cultural heritage historical society | \$8,000.00 |
| Merrimack | Henniker | Tucker Free Library | Cultural Conservation | To support the second phase of the stained glass window restoration | \$8,000.00 |

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| Rockingham | Newton | Newton Historical Society | Cultural Conservation | To support the conservation of two historic theater curtains in the Newton Town Hall | \$6,960.00 |
| Strafford | Milton Mills | Milton Public Library | Cultural Conservation | To restore the access ramp at the Milton Free Public Library | \$8,000.00 |
| Sullivan | Cornish | Saint Gaudens National Historical Site | Cultural Conservation | To support the preservation and exhibition of a sculpture of Abraham Lincoln | \$16,000.00 |
| Belknap | Laconia | Belknap County Department of Corrections | General Projects | To support the Writing from Within poetry project at the Belknap County House of Corrections | \$3,600.00 |
| Carroll | North Sandwich | Advice to the Players | General Projects | To support Sandwich Summer Shakespeare: a one month program of Shakespeare camps, professional theater & youth mentoring | \$3,600.00 |
| Cheshire | Nelson | Bach With Verse | General Projects | To support the Bach With Verse Correctional Facilities Outreach Concert Project | \$4,500.00 |
| Cheshire | Keene | Historical Society of Cheshire County | General Projects | To support an art exhibition 'Treasured Places, Protected Spaces' featuring conservations lands of the Monadnock region | \$3,600.00 |
| Grafton | Bethlehem | WREN | General Projects | To support the Berlin NH Community Mural Project | \$3,575.00 |
| Hillsboro | Nashua | City Arts Nashua | General Projects | To support the 8th annual Nashua International Sculpture Symposium | \$4,500.00 |
| Hillsboro | Nashua | Nashua School District | General Projects | To support Nashua Youth (h) Ears a partnership with Symphony NH | \$2,925.00 |
| Hillsboro | Manchester | NH Writers Project | General Projects | To support the 2014 Writers' Day Conference | \$2,925.00 |
| Hillsboro | Peterborough | Peterborough Historical Society | General Projects | To support 'Gents Bow-Ladies Know How: Three Centuries of Traditional Dance and Music in the Monadnock Region' | \$2,220.00 |
| Hillsboro | Manchester | Theatre KAPOW | General Projects | To support the production of Uma Vida Imaginaria | \$1,680.00 |
| Hillsboro | Peterborough | Town of Peterborough | General Projects | To support the 2015 Children and the Arts Festival | \$4,000.00 |
| Merrimack | Canterbury | Canterbury Shaker Village | General Projects | To support Building Community through the Seasons; Christmas at Canterbury and associated workshops | \$2,925.00 |
| Merrimack | Concord | NH State Library | General Projects | To support the Kids, Books & the Arts program supporting literacy and art in public libraries | \$3,000.00 |
| Rockingham | Exeter | American Independence Museum | General Projects | To support Traditional Artisans Village at the American Independence Festival | \$3,600.00 |
| Rockingham | Newmarket | Newmarket Main Street Corporation | General Projects | To support the 2015 Newmarket Heritage Festival | \$4,500.00 |
| Rockingham | Hampton | Women's Caucus for Art - NH Chapter | General Projects | To support the National Juried Exhibition | \$4,500.00 |
| Strafford | Rochester | Rochester Main Street | General Projects | To support the Factory Court Brown Bag Music Series & 3rd Annual Rochester Riverwalk Blues Festival | \$4,500.00 |
| Sullivan | Claremont | Union Episcopal Church | General Projects | To support the presentation of classical performers to an underserved community | \$3,600.00 |
| Belknap | Meredith | The Winnepesaukee PlayHouse | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$7,800.00 |

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| Carroll | Tamworth | The Barnstormers Theater Inc. | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$5,000.00 |
| Cheshire | East Sullivan | Apple Hill Center for Chamber Music | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$6,500.00 |
| Cheshire | Keene | Colonial Theatre | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Cheshire | Keene | MOCO Arts | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Coos | Berlin | Saint Kieran Community Center for the Arts | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$12,000.00 |
| Grafton | Littleton | Arts Alliance of Northern NH | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Grafton | Bethlehem | Bethlehem Redevelopment Assoc. | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Grafton | Lebanon | Community Gallery Inc. | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Grafton | Franconia | Friends of the Frost Place | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$7,200.00 |
| Grafton | Haverhill | Haverhill Heritage Inc. | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$4,650.00 |
| Grafton | Lebanon | Lebanon Opera House Improvement | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$5,200.00 |
| Grafton | Plymouth | New Hampshire Music Festival | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$5,200.00 |
| Grafton | Lincoln | North Country Center for the Arts | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$5,200.00 |
| Grafton | Lebanon | Opera North | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Grafton | Hanover | Revels North Inc | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$6,000.00 |
| Hillsboro | Wilton | Andy's Inc. | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$8,000.00 |
| Hillsboro | Manchester | Currier Museum of Art | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Hillsboro | Manchester | Manchester Community Music School | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Hillsboro | Peterborough | Monadnock Music | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$7,800.00 |
| Hillsboro | Manchester | Palace Theatre Trust | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$7,800.00 |
| Hillsboro | Peterborough | Peterborough Players Inc. | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Hillsboro | Manchester | Saint Anselm College | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$4,500.00 |
| Hillsboro | Sharon | Sharon Arts Center | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$5,850.00 |

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| Hillsboro | Nashua | Symphony NH | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Merrimack | Concord | Capitol Center for the Arts | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$9,360.00 |
| 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 | \$13,000.00 |
| Merrimack | Warner | Mt Kearsarge Indian Museum | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Merrimack | Concord | Red River Theatres | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$8,450.00 |
| Rockingham | Portsmouth | Friends of the Music Hall | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Rockingham | Portsmouth | NH Theatre Project | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$8,450.00 |
| Rockingham | Portsmouth | Pontine Theatre-New Hampshire Mime Co. | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$11,000.00 |
| Rockingham | Portsmouth | Prescott Park Arts Festival | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Strafford | Dover | The Childrens Museum of NH | Public Value Partnerships | Investment in Cultural Infrastructure | \$13,000.00 |
| Carroll | Brookfield | Craig Evans | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Northern New England Domestic Handweaving-Master Artist for Diane Howes | \$2,400.00 |
| Hillsboro | Merrimack | Alberto Jimeno | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Classic Fly Dressings-Apprentice to Margaret Brenner | \$910.00 |
| Hillsboro | Milford | Margaret Brenner | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Classic Fly Dressings-Master Artist for Alberto Jimeno | \$2,400.00 |
| Hillsboro | Bedford | Meghana Tadepalli | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Carnatic Music-Apprentice to Sandhya Sridhar | \$1,000.00 |
| Hillsboro | Nashua | Sandhya Sridhar | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Carnatic Music-Master Artist for Meghana Tadepalli | \$2,400.00 |
| Merrimack | Franklin | Colby Weyant | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Traditional New England Woodturning-Apprentice to Jon Siegel | \$1,000.00 |
| Merrimack | Wilmot | Jon Siegel | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Traditional New England Woodturning-Master Artist for Colby Weyant | \$2,400.00 |
| Merrimack | Concord | Judith Durgin | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Traditional Russian Icon Painting-Apprentice to Marina Forbes | \$1,000.00 |
| Rockingham | Danville | Diane Howes | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Northern New England Domestic Handweaving-Apprentice to Craig Evans | \$1,000.00 |
| Rockingham | Fremont | John Whiteside | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Lutherie-Master Artist for Nicholas Brown | \$2,400.00 |
| Strafford | Strafford | Fred Dolan | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Decoy Carving-Master Artist for Shawn Loughlin | \$2,400.00 |
| Strafford | Rochester | Marina Forbes | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Traditional Russian Icon Painting-Master Artist for Judith Durgin | \$2,400.00 |

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| Strafford | Lee | Nicholas Brown | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Lutherie-Apprentice to John Whiteside | \$1,000.00 |
| Strafford | Durham | Shawn Loughlin | Traditional Arts Apprenticeships | Traditional Arts Apprenticeship in Decoy Carving-Apprentice to Fred Dolan | \$921.00 |
| Cheshire | Keene | Monadnock Family Service | Youth Arts Projects | To support ActingOut: a teen operated improvisational theatre program | \$3,375.00 |
| Cheshire | Alstead | Orchard School | Youth Arts Projects | To support a summer residency with Marek Bennett in illustration | \$1,600.00 |
| Grafton | Littleton | Arts Alliance of Northern NH | Youth Arts Projects | To support an arts-based exploration of the environment with middle & high school students | \$4,000.00 |
| Grafton | Haverhill | Haverhill Heritage Inc. | Youth Arts Projects | To support a dance residency in Northern NH | \$2,700.00 |
| Grafton | Lincoln | North Country Center for the Arts | Youth Arts Projects | To support a theatre arts youth development program in Northern NH | \$3,825.00 |
| Merrimack | Contoocook | Hopkinton School District/SAU 66 | Youth Arts Projects | To support Art for the Sky: Transformational Adventures in Perception | \$3,350.00 |
| Rockingham | Portsmouth | Arts In Reach: Encouraging Growth through the Arts | Youth Arts Projects | To support an interdisciplinary 6-week arts-based program for underserved adolescent girls | \$4,000.00 |
| Rockingham | Portsmouth | Portsmouth Music & Arts Ctr | Youth Arts Projects | To support a visual arts workshop: In Ears n Eyes | \$4,050.00 |
| Strafford | Dover | Behavior Health & Dev. Svs of Strafford County | Youth Arts Projects | To support a residency with Marek Bennett for underserved youth in Rochester & Dover NH | \$2,565.00 |