

City of San Antonio

Agenda Memorandum

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In Control: San Antonio Arts Commission

DEPARTMENT: Department of Arts and Culture

DEPARTMENT HEAD: Krystal Jones

COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED: Citywide

SUBJECT:

Director's Report: ARPA 4 Arts

SUMMARY:

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grants will be made available to nonprofits and individual artists.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

On February 3, 2022, City Council allocated \$5M to the local arts with \$4M allocated for nonprofits and \$1M for individual artists. Grant applications opened in June 2022; funding recommendations will occur in August 2022. 100% of grant funding will be disbursed by December 2024 and spent by December 2026.

ISSUE:

Federal aid to mitigate financial hardship on the local arts economy due to the pandemic.

FISCAL IMPACT:

\$5M from ARPA will be allocated to the arts.

ALTERNATIVES:

If this item is not approved, there will be no disbursement of federal ARPA funds to the local arts.

RECOMMENDATION:

Briefing item only.