

2025 Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation Arts & Culture Initiative

Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo

Basic Information

Project Name*

Character Limit: 100

Nonprofit Status*

What status are you utilizing to submit this application?

Choices

Our organization is submitting as an independent 501c(3) organization.

Our organization is submitting through our fiscal sponsor.

Eligible Counties*

Please check the eligible county(ies) in which your organization is physically located and/or operates from.

Choices

Allegany

Cattaraugus

Chautauqua

Erie

Genesee

Monroe

Niagara

Orleans

Wyoming

Type of Arts and Cultural Organization*

Select the category that best describes your primary focus.

Choices

Architecture

Artist Community

Arts Education Organization

Dance

Design

Folk & Traditional

Literary Arts

Local Arts Agency

Media Arts

Museums

Music
Musical Theater
Opera
Presenting & Multidisciplinary Work Organization
Theater
Visual Arts
Other

Type of Arts & Cultural Programming (Other)

If you selected Other for the type of Arts & Cultural Programming, please detail that below.

Character Limit: 250

Operating Budget*

What is your total operating budget for your most recently completed fiscal year?

To be eligible for this application, the organization must have a total operating budget of \$500,000 or less in its most recently completed fiscal year. We will also refer to your most recently completed 990 to verify this information.

NOTE: 2024 Capacity Building + General Operating grantees applying for Year 2 funding are exempt from this budget restriction.

Character Limit: 20

Grant Type*

Which grant are you applying for?

You may apply for one only.

Choices

Micro Grant
Capacity Building and General Operations Grant
Year 2 Capacity Building & General Operations Grant (for 2024 Capacity Building grantees ONLY)

Fiscal Sponsor

Fiscal Sponsor Details*

Provide the name of the organization you are applying on behalf of. Briefly describe the nature of your relationship with the sponsored organization.

This field should be completed by the fiscal sponsor. The fiscal sponsor is formally considered applicant and legally responsible for grant fulfillment, including reporting. The remainder of the grant application should be completed with the information for the sponsored organization.

Character Limit: 1000

Monroe County

Monroe County arts organizations should apply through the Rochester Area Community Foundation's grant portal, which can be found [here](#).

Please do not complete this application.

*For 2024 Capacity Building + General Operating Grantees ONLY
- Year 2 Request*

IMPORTANT: This Year 2 grant opportunity is only available to organizations that received a 2024 Capacity Building & General Operations Grant.

To complete this application, you will need to review your 2024 application. If you don't have a copy available, you can access your previous application through our grant portal by following the instructions below.

1. Save this application. Scroll to the bottom of the application and hit "Save Application".
2. Click on the "Home Icon" on the upper left hand side of the page.
3. Under the Active Requests tab, find your project name from last year.
4. Make sure the Process says: **2024** Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation Arts & Culture Initiative
5. Click "View Application" on the right-hand side.
6. You can view the applications on the screen or download a pdf copy of application by clicking the "Application Packet" icon above the application questions.
7. You can return to this application by following steps 1-3 and finding your current project name with the Process: **2025** Ralph C. Wilson, Jr. Foundation Arts & Culture Initiative

Capacity Building Project Description*

Provide a 1-sentence description of your 2024 Capacity Building Project.

Character Limit: 250

Capacity Building Project Update*

Provide an update on your capacity building project. Be sure to refer to your original SMART goals in your answer. If your project deviated from the SMART goals, explain what the deviation is and why this change was needed.

Character Limit: 2500

Orgazational Learnings*

What have you learned through this capacity building process? How has your thinking evolved as a result of this capacity building work?

Character Limit: 2500

Year 2 Request*

How does this application for a 2nd year of capacity building funding come out of your learnings and thinking? What will you utilize the 2nd year of funds for? (The maximum award is \$10,000. Up to \$5,000 may be used for general operating support.)

Character Limit: 2500

2024 Budget*

Do you have 2024 Capacity Building grant funds remaining? If so, what is the amount?

Character Limit: 20

2024 Budget Spend-Down

What is your plan to spend down these grant funds?

Character Limit: 2500

Updated Budget*

Please upload an updated budget reflecting expenses incurred against the capacity building project to date.

File Size Limit: 3 MB

Cohort Meetings*

How many Zoom meetings have you attended, to date?

Choices

- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4

Did you attend the in-person gathering?*

Choices

- Yes
- No

Certification of Grant Eligibility

The Community Foundation will be reviewing your most recent IRS Form 990 online at the GuideStar website. Should there be none listed, we will request a copy of your most recent audit and its accompanying management letter.

Certification*

Do you certify that the executive director and a board officer have approved of this grant request and that all information provided is accurate to the best of your knowledge?

Choices

- Yes
- No

Conflict of Interest*

Does your organization have a Conflict of Interest policy in accordance with New York State Law?

Choices

- Yes
- No