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Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners allocate SCFD funds *Nearly \$1.5 million allocated to Scientific and Cultural Facilities in Arapahoe County*

LITTLETON, CO --- The Board of County Commissioners voted July 18 to adopt recommendations made by the Arapahoe County Cultural Council for the allocation of Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) Tier III funds. Those recommendations will be forwarded to the SCFD Board for final approval.

Tier III funding supports local art, cultural, scientific and historical organizations that benefit Arapahoe County citizens. For the upcoming program year Arapahoe County received and allocated nearly \$1.5 million in SCFD tax revenue derived from the 1/10th of 1 percent sales tax collected in Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Boulder, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson counties.

Each year the County's Cultural Council publicizes, receives and processes grant applications for funding allocation from Tier III of the SCFD funds. The Council reviews all applications and makes recommendations to the Commissioners for funding based upon a specific set of criteria.

This year, 79 operating requests and 21 project requests will receive funding. Organizations to receive funding include Arapahoe Philharmonic, Aurora Symphony Orchestra, Cherry Creek Chorale, Downtown Aurora Visual Arts, Englewood Cultural Arts Center Association, Greenwood Village Arts and Humanities Council, Heritage Fine Arts Guild of Arapahoe County, Littleton Town Hall Arts Center, Museum of Outdoor Arts, South Suburban Parks and Recreation District and more.

There is currently an opening for a citizen residing in Littleton, Englewood or Sheridan to serve on the Arapahoe County Cultural Council. Council members are appointed by the Commissioners to serve three-year terms. To fill out an online application go to <http://arapahoegov.com/index.aspx?NID=1090> and select Cultural Council from the drop-down menu. Applications are also available at the Commissioners' office in the Arapahoe County Administration Building, 5334 S. Prince Street, Littleton, Fourth Floor.

For a complete list of organizations receiving funding and more information, visit www.arapahoegov.com/ACCC.

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