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Saipan, MP 96950-8901

To support youth dance workshops and performances celebrating the traditional maritime heritage of the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands. A partnership with the Commonwealth Council for Arts and Culture, the dance instruction and choreography will be documented and will support local efforts to preserve and continue Indigenous Chamorro and Carolinian cultural identity and expression. The project will enable the exchange of cultural knowledge, foster community cooperation and pride, and generate appreciation of the natural environment.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 98 Grant Amount: \$25,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 06/2022

Alaska Native Heritage Center

(aka ANHC)

1886699-42

Inc.

Anchorage, AK 99504-6100

To support community design workshops to inform a series of community gardens honoring indigenous perspectives of diverse Alaska Native communities. Local artists and culture bearers will play a key role selecting garden sites and developing design concepts and practices for acknowledging and incorporating indigenous perspectives. A partnership with the Anchorage Department of Parks and Recreation, the design process established in this project will be expanded to additional sites of indigenous significance across Anchorage.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$25,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 06/2023

Amigos del Museo del Barrio

(aka El Museo del Barrio)

1886751-42

New York, NY 10029-4401

To support an artist residency program focused on immigrant-serving community organizations in New York City. In partnership with the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs, artists will be paired with community-based, nonprofit organizations to create participatory art projects that respond to the needs of local immigrants. The program will enhance the capacity of participating community organizations to engage artists in their efforts to communicate more effectively with their constituents.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 13 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Anchorage Museum Association

(aka Anchorage Museum)

1886436-42

Anchorage, AK 99501-3544

To support public art installations, architectural design fees, and creation of a new Indigenous font. The project will increase visual representation of Dena'ina culture in the built environment of Anchorage. In partnership with the Municipality of Anchorage, Indigenous-led design firm SALT, and Alaska Pacific University's Office of Research and Community Engagement, local artists and designers will collaborate with residents to develop temporary and permanent public art installations that utilize local materials and establish a more culturally inclusive and representative architectural identity in downtown Anchorage.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

Arizona State University

(aka AZ Board of Regents for Arizona State University)

1886743-42

Tempe, AZ 85281-3670

To support community engagement and the development of design principles that reflect regional Indigenous cultural expression. The Indigenous Design Collaborative at Arizona State University, design students, and local artists will facilitate community engagement with Indigenous communities in and around Tempe, Arizona, to inform the development of Indigenous design principles for the built environment. Project partners will use these design principles to incorporate Indigenous representation in wayfinding, bus stops, signage, public space design, and art installations. Working with the City of Tempe Sustainability Office, the Indigenous Design Collaborative at ASU will prototype the concepts underway in Tempe and will document them in a book. The project will serve as a model for integrating Indigenous narratives into the built environment, influencing future city plans in Tempe and other cities in the region.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 9 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Category: Our TownDiscipline: DesignGrant Period: 07/2021 - 07/2023

Art Effect of the Hudson Valley Inc.

(aka The Art Effect)

1886098-42

Poughkeepsie, NY 12601-2729

To support the establishment of a Youth Arts Empowerment Zone, public art installations, and arts programming in Poughkeepsie, New York. The Art Effect, City of Poughkeepsie, and MASS Design Group will partner with local youth and experienced artists to create art works and events that enliven public space. Additionally, the initiative will serve local youth by providing them with work experience in the creative arts and will generate for them a sense of place, safety, and civic engagement. The Youth Arts Empowerment Zone will lay the groundwork for a long-term initiative that will give youth an active role in the creative revitalization of Poughkeepsie.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 18 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Arts Council of New Orleans

1886382-42

New Orleans, LA 70113-1256

To support a permanent public art installations and youth-led murals in the New Orleans East suburb of New Orleans. Extensive community engagement will inform the creation of the installations, which will create workforce opportunities for local artists and youth. A partnership with the Mayor's Office of Cultural Economy and the New Orleans Business Alliance, the art installations will elevate the suburb's diverse cultural assets, reinforce a sense of place along key commercial corridors, and complement investments in transportation and other infrastructure.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 2 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

ArtsWestchester 1886425-42

White Plains, NY 10601-3300

To support a cultural plan and artist residency program for Brookfield Commons, a public housing community currently being redeveloped in White Plains, New York. Artists will engage with Brookfield Commons residents and will use the feedback to inform a cultural plan and the creation of temporary artworks. The cultural plan will establish long-term guidelines for public art and arts programming at Brookfield Commons. A partnership with the White Plains Housing Authority and the City of White Plains, the project will involve the residents in the vision for their community and will serve as a model for other housing authorities on how artists can work with residents in a redevelopment process.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 17 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our TownDiscipline: DesignGrant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

Artworks Trenton Inc. 1886456-42

Trenton, NJ 08611-1737

To support the establishment of a public art program and plan for Trenton, New Jersey. Artworks Trenton will engage Mural Arts Philadelphia to consult on the project, offering guidance as they develop the city's inaugural public art plan, with policies that emphasize equitable access to the arts, create economic opportunities for local artists, and build upon local assets. A partnership with the City of Trenton, the public art planning initiative carries forward priorities identified in the Trenton250 comprehensive master plan.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 12 Grant Amount: \$25,000

Bridgeway Capital, Inc

Pittsburgh, PA 15219-1945

1886445-42

To support the design and fabrication of streetscape furnishings and public art installations for the Susquehanna Street Art and Design Corridor in the Homewood neighborhood of Pittsburgh. Local artists and manufacturers will design and fabricate public art to be installed along the corridor. Additional project activities will include a design and fabrication apprenticeship program for youth. A partnership with the Urban Redevelopment Authority of Pittsburgh, the project aligns with efforts to generate economic opportunity for Homewood residents and highlights the neighborhood as a destination for African-American art and culture.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 14 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 08/2021 - 08/2023

Bunnell Street Arts Center

(aka)

1886414-42

Homer, AK 99603-7851

To support a public art installation marking the traditional lands of the Dena'ina and Sugpiaq people. A collaboration of Bunnell Street Arts Center, Ninilchik Village Tribe; the City of Homer, and Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge, the project will serve as a model for incorporating Indigenous place naming practices into public art commissions on the Kenai Peninsula.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 09/2022

California Lawyers for the Arts,

1886822-42

Inc.

San Francisco, CA 94123-1284

To support a teaching artist workforce development pilot program for formerly incarcerated individuals. California Lawyers for the Arts will partner with the City of San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture, local universities, and arts organizations to deliver programming to incarcerated individuals who are interested in pursuing a career in the arts upon their release. Formerly incarcerated individuals will be trained as teaching artists and offered salaried positions at arts organizations to deliver arts and cultural programming to current inmates, serving as role models and arts teachers in correctional facilities. The program will provide a viable workforce opportunity for returning citizens and serve as a model that could be replicated in cities throughout California.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 12 Grant Amount: \$100,000

1886147-42

Center for Teen Empowerment

Rochester, NY 14611-3541

To support a multimedia exhibition, youth-led mural project, and related arts programming encouraging intergenerational dialogue about urban development and community displacement. Focusing on Clarissa Street, a once-thriving center of African-American culture and business, the exhibition and related activities will initiate conversations between local youth and elders about the neighborhood's history and inspire them to shape its future. A partnership with the City of Rochester Mayor's Office of Planning, the project offers a model that demonstrates the role arts can play in elevating and representing history as a catalyst for social cohesion and empowerment.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 7 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 06/2022

Cheyenne River Youth Project,

(aka)

1886833-42

Inc.

Eagle Butte, SD 57625-8063

To support the design of a new cultural facility to house the Waniyetu Wowapi Lakota Youth Arts and Culture Institute on the Cheyenne River Sioux Reservation. A partnership with the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and architecture and planning firm Pyatt Studio, the project will include a series of community workshops to inform the design of a 6,000-square-foot space dedicated to serving Lakota youth. The new facility will serve as a hub of art, cultural expression, and creativity for youth, deepening their connection with and pride in the tribe's art, culture, and traditions.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$25,000

Category: Our TownDiscipline: DesignGrant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2022

City of Albuquerque, New Mexico

1886770-42

Albuquerque, NM 87102-2111

To support a public art plan and temporary public art installations for a new recreational trail along a historic railroad line in Albuquerque. The University of New Mexico's Indigenous Design and Planning Institute will facilitate community workshops to identify public art themes and design concepts. A partnership with the Downtown Albuquerque Arts and Cultural District, Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency, and the city's Cultural Services Public Art Urban Enhancement Division, the project will create economic opportunities for local artists and establish the trail as a cultural asset and a site for recreation.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$100,000

1886569-42

City of Boston, Massachusetts

Boston, MA 02201-2029

To support community engagement, cultural asset mapping, and arts programming for the Little Saigon Cultural District in Boston. Project activities will include a new plan for the cultural district and public programming such as murals, festivals, and performances to celebrate the rich and vibrant Vietnamese culture of the Dorchester neighborhood. The Mayor's Office of Arts and Culture and the Networking Organization for Vietnamese Americans will lead the project with long-term goals of instilling a sense of community heritage and pride, empowering residents to combat displacement, increasing employment opportunities, and supporting local business development.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 8 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

City of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio

1886169-42

Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221-2530

To support community arts engagement and art installations along the Cuyahoga River. Project activities will include the hiring of a curator and public artists to design and implement a series of art installations and performances exploring the relationship between the city and the river. The City of Cuyahoga Falls Planning Division; Arts Now; and local environmental, educational, and arts organizations are collaborating to restore the riverfront as a destination for culture, recreation, and nature, with acknowledgement of the Indigenous peoples who first settled on the land. The city will assess the success of the project, document outcomes, and articulate recommendations to inform future arts interventions as the riverfront is redeveloped.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 13 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 03/2023

City of Grand Rapids, Michigan

1886393-42

Grand Rapids, MI 49503-2206

To support community design workshops, public art installations, and a series of interpretive monuments reflecting cultures and histories of Indigenous people in Grand Rapids. Public Agency, a design initiative of the West Michigan Center for Arts and Technology, will facilitate community discussions and workshops to develop design concepts and identify sites for installations along the Grand River and in a new waterfront park. In partnership with the Grand Rapids Public Museum and the Grand River Bands of Ottawa Indians, the City of Grand Rapids will employ the installations to reflect local Indigenous cultures and to lay the groundwork for ongoing inclusion of Indigenous narratives in public spaces.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 3 Grant Amount: \$75,000

City of Madison, Wisconsin

Madison, WI 53703-3388

To support community engagement and the development of the Greater Madison Region Music Strategic Plan for an equitable music economy. Project activities will include mapping the music ecosystem, measuring economic impact, and identifying regulations that hinder musicians and venues from reaching their full potential. The City of Madison Planning Division, Madison Arts Commission, and Urban Community Arts Network will partner with Sound Diplomacy, a global expert in supporting infrastructure for music communities. The project will build on the recommendations of the City of Madison's Task Force on Equity in Music and Entertainment and will focus on increasing representation of underrepresented forms of music and entertainment, and guiding the COVID-19 economic recovery efforts for the music sector.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 2 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

City of Norfolk, Virginia

1886081-42

Norfolk, VA 23510-8033

To support public art installations in neighborhoods susceptible to flooding along the Ohio Creek in Norfolk, Virginia. The installations are intended to enhance pedestrian routes along the waterfront, improving perceptions of safety and increasing connectivity with nearby neighborhoods. A partnership with the Elizabeth River Project, Norfolk Arts, and the City of Norfolk Office of Resilience, the project will include community engagement activities intended to spark dialogue around adaptation to sea level rise in this low-lying coastal region.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 3 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 03/2023

City of Wichita, Kansas

1886686-42

Wichita, KS 67202-1600

To support public art installations and the design of temporary outdoor spaces to help businesses follow public health guidelines in Wichita, Kansas. Artists and designers will collaborate with local business owners to develop art installations and outdoor spaces that extend into the sidewalk and street, enlivening the downtown and boosting local businesses. A partnership with Downtown Wichita, the initiative will mitigate the economic impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic for local businesses and artists, and will establish a model that can be expanded throughout downtown and to other parts of the city.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 4 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Coalfield Development Corporation

1886619-42

Wayne, WV 25570-0000

To support an artist residency program, training for artists, and public art installations in the Westmoreland neighborhood of Huntington, West Virginia. As many as three artists in residence will work directly with civic organizations and local leaders to create public art that responds to the priorities of Westmoreland residents. The project will culminate in installations throughout the neighborhood and also offer skills in collaborating with residents to address local issues. A partnership with the City of Huntington Planning and Community Development Department and the Mayor's Council on the Arts, the project will advance community goals identified in the area's cultural plan and will elevate the role of the arts in building a sense of place and community pride.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 3 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

coLAB Arts, Inc. 1886156-42

New Brunswick, NJ 08901-2663

To support an artist residency program with the Somerset County government in New Jersey. Artists will work with the Somerset County Library System of New Jersey and the Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission to develop public programming on key issues in the New Jersey communities of Bound Brook, Manville, North Plainfield, and Somerville. Each artist will participate in oral history training to ensure the stories and lessons learned during their residency are documented and publicly archived. The program will build upon past Our Town awards, demonstrating how artists can bring attention to local issues and offer creative solutions to community challenges.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 6 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2022

Community Coalition for Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (aka CoCo)

1886802-42

Los Angeles, CA 90044-3535

To support the integration of arts and cultural activities into the Fremont Wellness Center's offerings for the South Los Angeles community. CoCo will engage artists in residence to develop cultural programming that responds to community needs and complements the physical and behavioral health services offered at the center. Resident leaders and youth organizers will conduct asset mapping to capture the neighborhood's cultural history, while also gathering community stories that will inform temporary public art. Partners on the project will include the Los Angeles County Department of Culture and University of Southern California's Sol Price School of Public Policy. The ultimate goal of the project is to affirm the role of arts and culture as a foundation for community wellness and resilience, and to garner support for sustained arts and culture activities as an ongoing part of offerings at health centers.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 37 Grant Amount: \$75,000

County of Sonoma, California

Santa Rosa, CA 95403-2824

To support general operating costs in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 5 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 12/2022

Creative Portland Corporation

1886364-42

1886548-42

Portland, ME 04112-4675

To support the creation of public art installations on bus shelters to strengthen and celebrate Portland, Maine's diverse communities and spotlight public transit. Selected through an open call, artists will create works that encourage discourse on cross-cultural acceptance, climate change, and social issues. A partnership with the Greater Portland Transit District, and local cultural and social service organizations, this project will transform public spaces, highlight the diversity of Portland, and offer as many as ten artists commissioned work.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$25,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

Creative Waco 1886134-42

Waco, TX 76701-2020

To support cultural asset mapping and a public art master plan for Waco, Texas. The plan will provide a strategy for reflecting the city's diversity through public art commissions and programming, providing economic opportunities for local artists, and responding to increased real estate development. The plan also will include a guide to assist private developers in incorporating high quality public art in their developments. In partnership with the City of Waco, Creative Waco will embed the public art master plan within the city's comprehensive plan, where it will inform the establishment of a public art fund.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 17 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our TownDiscipline: DesignGrant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2022

Deep Center, Incorporated (aka Deep Center) 1886584-42

Savannah, GA 31401-8564

To support the Distancing Project, a series of creative writing and storytelling workshops for youth and adults, temporary public art, and a community art event reflecting on the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic in Savannah, Georgia. Partners include the City of Savannah Cultural Resources Department, Savannah Chatham County Public School System, Chatham County Juvenile Court, Savannah Police Department, and several local health organizations. Participants, including court-involved youth, will investigate the disproportionate effects of the pandemic in communities of color by researching written and oral histories and data. They will present their findings through writing, artmaking, and conversations with local decision makers with the ultimate goal of identifying opportunities for community healing and systemic change.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$79,871

1886846-42 Diatribe Inc

Grand Rapids, MI 49507-3007

To support general operating costs in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Fiscal Year: 2021 **Congressional District: 3** Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

Emerge Gallery Art Center

(aka Pitt County Arts Council at Emerge)

1886168-42

Greenville, NC 27858-1834

To support public art installations to enhance the Emerald Loop trolley system in Greenville, North Carolina. In partnership with the City of Greenville's Public Works and Engineering Departments, Pitt County Arts Council at Emerge will issue an open call to artists, inviting proposals for public art installations. The installations are expected to advance goals identified in the Emerald Loop Vision Plan, including increasing connectivity between local cultural assets and defining a visual identity for the city.

Fiscal Year: 2021 **Congressional District:** 3 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2022

Emmett Till Memorial Commission of Tallahatchie 1886460-42

County, Inc.

Sumner, MS 38957-9715

To support community planning, design workshops, and architectural drawings for a memorial honoring Emmett Till at Graball Landing in Sumner, Mississippi. In partnership with the Tallahatchie County Board of Supervisors and MASS Design Group, a memorial planning committee will include Till family members, artists, and local and statewide partners. Through artist and designer-facilitated conversations, residents will be engaged in the planning activities. The design process will serve as a model for other communities confronting past racial atrocities, and result in a communal memorial space for reflection and dialogue.

Fiscal Year: 2021 **Congressional District: 2** Grant Amount: \$100,000

Emory University 1886761-42

Atlanta, GA 30322-4250

To support an artist residency and public programming for a series of temporary Praise Houses by artist Charmaine Minniefield. The houses will be inspired by traditional wooden small frame houses used by enslaved Africans across the South for secretly preserving their cultural identity and traditions. A partnership with DeKalb County Parks and Recreation Department and the Emory Center for Creativity and Arts, the structures will be installed on DeKalb History Center Historic Courthouse grounds, where a Confederate monument was removed; at South-View Cemetery, where Civil Rights leader Congressman John Lewis is buried; and at Emory University. Multimedia installations, performances, and public programming will be informed by engagement with residents of the three neighborhoods where installations will be located. The project will bring together local organizations to establish lasting partnerships and to initiate community conversations about race, equity, and cultural preservation.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 5 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our TownDiscipline: DesignGrant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

First Peoples Fund 1886634-42

Rapid City, SD 57701-2646

To support the design of a landscape and learning curriculum that centers Lakota culture at the Oglala Lakota Artspace on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota. The new Oglala Lakota Artspace will open as an 8,500-square-foot cultural facility that offers studio space, classrooms, an art gallery, and communal gathering space to serve the geographically vast reservation. Project activities will support Indigenous artists and culture bearers designing a landscape and interpretative signage at the art space, and a learning curriculum that focuses on native plants and tribal history. A partnership with the Lakota Funds, the Oglala Lakota Artspace, and the Oglala Sioux Tribe, the project will elevate Lakota contemporary and traditional culture as part of the first art space on the reservation.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

Flint Public Art Project 1886574-42

Flint, MI 48503-2421

To support arts programming and public art installations along Saginaw Street to connect North Flint neighborhoods to downtown Flint, Michigan. Artists will be commissioned to create art work for vacant lots and storefronts, elevating the role of artists in serving the community and highlighting the potential of vacant spaces. Proposed project activities will be carried out in partnership with the Downtown Development Authority and in response to community priorities articulated in the Sustainable Flint: Arts & Culture Plan, funded by an Our Town award in 2012.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 5 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Fort Apache Heritage Foundation

Fort Apache, AZ 85926-0507

To support community engagement and a site design plan that centers White Mountain Apache cultural values, interests, and preferences in the visitor experiences of Fort Apache and Theodore Roosevelt School National Historic Landmark in Arizona. The National Historic Landmark consists of 26 historical buildings and approximately 200 acres near the heart of the Fort Apache Indian Reservation. In partnership with Swaback Architects and Planners, the White Mountain Apache Tribe Historic Preservation Office, and the White Mountain Apache Indigenous community, designers will lead continuous workshops and consultations with stakeholders to develop design concepts, themes, and programmatic guidance that will inform the plan. The project will build on past planning activities to re-present the National Historic Landmark, celebrate the Apache people, and educate visitors. Project activities will promote Apache traditions and culture, advancing community health, intercultural reconciliation, and tribal sovereignty.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Category: Our TownDiscipline: DesignGrant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

Friends of A Studio in the Woods

(aka)

1886431-42

New Orleans, LA 70131-3204

To support community engagement, arts programming, a festival, and an artist residency in Plaquemines Parish, located on the southern Louisiana coast. Plaquemines Parish, in partnership with A Studio in the Woods, will host artist, biologist, and educator Brian Ballengee in residence. Ballengee will facilitate a series of participatory artmaking activities that respond directly to threats faced by the community, including rising sea levels and other ecological impacts due to climate change. Participants will conduct "citizen science" (or ecological research) and create works of art interpreting their findings and envisioning strategies for adaptation and sustainability. Activities will culminate in a festival celebrating community resilience, local natural resources, and the rich culture practiced by parish members. This project will inspire visions of a collective future survival through participatory artmaking with local youth, fisherfolk, oil workers, local government, and community members.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 2 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 06/2023

Heritage Works 1886554-42

Detroit, MI 48216-1234

To support artist-facilitated community planning and design fees for a cultural facility in the North Corktown neighborhood of Detroit. Project partners including the city's Planning and Development Department and nonprofit design center Detroit Design Core will collaborate with artists to facilitate community design workshops to develop architectural designs for the new facility, which will contribute to local creative business growth and mitigate the threat of cultural displacement. The initiative aligns with the Detroit's Greater Corktown Neighborhood Framework Plan.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 13 Grant Amount: \$75,000

1886792-42

Indigenous Roots Cultural Arts Center

Saint Paul, MN 55106-5015

To support community engagement and a cultural district plan focused on the East 7th corridor in St. Paul, Minnesota. The project will include temporary public art installations and public performances intended to encourage community engagement in the planning process. In partnership with the City of St. Paul Planning and Economic Development, Urban Roots, Dayton's Bluff Neighborhood Housing Services, and other local organizations, the arts center will incorporate the cultural district plan into the city's comprehensive plan, and will ensure that future investments in the area build upon local cultural assets and increase economic opportunities for local artists and cultural organizations.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 4 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 06/2022

Juneau Arts and Humanities Council

1886158-42

Juneau, AK 99801-1774

To support design and planning activities for the Juneau Aak'w Village District. Originally the site of Tlingit summer fish camps, the Aak'w Village District was recently renamed in an effort to honor its past and propose a culturally responsive plan for its future. Partners will include the City and Borough of Juneau Community Development Department, Sealaska Heritage Institute, Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska, Ix_six_a´n Ax_ K_wa´an (IAK) Indigenous youth group, and other local organizations. The project will engage Kounkuey Design Initiative and a wide range of local stakeholders to establish a long-range plan to guide future development and design in the district.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 08/2021 - 06/2022

L.A.N.D. studio, Inc.

1886645-42

Cleveland, OH 44113-3474

To support public art installations and design fees in the Kinsman, Woodland Hills, Union-Miles, and Buckeye neighborhoods of Cleveland. Local artists and designers will collaborate with residents to develop art installations and improvements to public space that implement priorities identified in the Elevate the East plan. In partnership with Cleveland's City Planning Commission and East Cleveland-based nonprofit community development corporation Burten, Bell, Carr, Development, the studio will engage residents and will call attention to local assets, generating pride in these historically underserved neighborhoods.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 11 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Mary Miss - City as Living Laboratory

(aka CALL/City as Living Laboratory)

1885440-42

New York, NY 10013-2876

To support WaterMarks, a community engagement, arts programming, and a public art project in the 30th Corridor Neighborhood of Milwaukee. In partnership with the Milwaukee Department of City Development, Milwaukee Metropolitan Sewer District, North West Side Community Development Corporation, and other local organizations, CALL/City as Living Laboratory will highlight the realities and concerns of underserved neighborhoods that have been vulnerable to environmental injustices. A series of interactive public art installations will convey stories and perspectives of local residents, scientists, and environmental experts to create an effective approach to artist and community-led environmental activism.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 10 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 12/2022

Mercy Housing California

1886685-42

San Francisco, CA 94102-4801

To support design workshops, asset mapping, and temporary art installations to inform the redevelopment of the Sunnydale public housing community in San Francisco. Artists and designers will facilitate the collection and preservation of residents' stories and memories through artistic workshops, and will collaborate with residents to install temporary public artworks that prototype their ideas. Themes and priorities identified through the activities will inform architectural designs and cultural programming for the redeveloped site. Partners will include the San Francisco Arts Commission, Proyecto, Instituto Familiar de la Raza, and other local community organizations. The project will illuminate ways that artists and designers can center the community in redevelopment projects.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Category: Our TownDiscipline: DesignGrant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

Metropolitan Government of Nashville & Davidson County, Tennessee

1886832-42

Nashville, TN 37210-2008

To support a permanent public art lighting installation and an artist residency program in North Nashville. In partnership with Project Return, artists will engage residents whose perspectives are often omitted from civic processes, including older adults and the formerly incarcerated, for guidance in developing their concepts and designs. The Curb Center at Vanderbilt University will document the process, identifying best practices for ensuring inclusive public art and community planning and creating a toolkit for use in other communities.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 5 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Mosaic Theater Company of DC

1886739-42

Washington, DC 20002-4446

To support community playwriting workshops and a series of new plays focused on the H Street Corridor in Northeast Washington, D.C. A partnership with the District of Columbia Public Library, the plays will convey the history of H Street based on historical archives and extensive interviews with current and former residents of the neighborhood. Through the shared experience of playwriting and reflection upon the legacy of recent and historical moments of protest, project partners will amplify marginalized voices and initiate dialogue on social issues currently affecting the community.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 98 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

Mountain Time Arts 1886107-42

Bozeman, MT 59715-4773

To support temporary and permanent public art installations along Bozeman Creek, in Bozeman, Montana. Partnering with the City of Bozeman Parks Division, Mountain Time Arts will construct art installations that will complement environmental restoration efforts along the creek, and expand access to outdoor recreation in the region. In addition, Mountain Time Arts will offer a mentorship program for local artists and arts administrators that will increase local capacity for community-engaged and inclusive artmaking.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

Museo de Arte Contemporáneo (aka MAC) 1886713-42

de Puerto Rico, Inc.

San Juan, PR 00936

To support a series of public art installations and art programming focused on the waterfront in Cataño, Puerto Rico. In partnership with the Municipality of Cataño and the School of Environmental Affairs at Ana G. Méndez University, artists will collaborate with residents to develop installations that explore themes of environmental justice and sustainable development. The activities will complement efforts to stimulate economic development and tourism in the area, and are expected to serve as a model that can be replicated across Puerto Rico.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 98 Grant Amount: \$50,000

New England Music Camp Association

Sidney, ME 04330-1954

To support community engagement and planning for a rural cultural district in the Belgrade Lakes region in Maine. Through the planning and design process, residents will articulate a vision outlining priorities for the cultural district, contribute to site plans and conceptual designs, and collaborate with designers to develop a brand and identity for the Belgrade Lakes region. In partnership with the Town of Sidney, Maine, the cultural district will comprise 285 acres near Snow Pond Center for the Arts' main campus. The project will foster a greater sense of identity for the region, retain and attract talent, propose arts programming for residents, and put forth plans for affordable artist housing. The proposed project activities are informed by and build on the community's recent participation in the Citizens' Institute on Rural Design program.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 2 Grant Amount: \$25,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 03/2023

Nisqually Indian Tribe

1886572-42

Olympia, WA 98513-9105

To support carving workshops and a public art installation in Nisqually State Park in Washington State. Workshops will be led by a master carver on the Nisqually Indian Reservation, culminating in the installation of a Welcome Figure, a traditional Coast Salish symbol representing an invitation to mutual respect. The project will build on comprehensive planning efforts to incorporate Nisqually culture in the newly designated Nisqually State Park. In partnership with PARC Foundation of Thurston County and Washington State Parks, the tribe will create cultural opportunities for tribal youth and increase awareness of their culture and history in the new state park, paving the way for the inclusion of Indigenous art installations and cultural events on public lands throughout the state.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 10 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our TownDiscipline: DesignGrant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2022

Notch Theatre Company

1886463-42

New York City, NY 10016-9274

To support an intergenerational story sharing and theater program about issues of land sovereignty, climate change, and the local economy with the Iñupiaq community of Alaska. Professional playwrights from the Iñupiaq community will conduct public story-sharing events, and incorporate the residents' stories about the connection to their land into short plays for live performances that will tour the region. The project will raise awareness of local economic shifts and the impacts of climate change uniquely experienced in rural Alaskan towns, and facilitate dialogue among residents around their shared future. The project is a collaboration among Notch Theatre Company, eight villages of the Northern Slope in Alaska, and other local partners.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 12 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

1884810-42

1886707-42

Pangea World Theater

Minneapolis, MN 55408-2918

To support community theater workshops, artist training, and public art focused on the Lake Street corridor of Minneapolis. As many as ten artists will participate in creative placemaking and community engagement training with a focus on racial justice. The artists will lead theater workshops and facilitate story circles that invite community members to reflect on their experiences with the COVID-19 pandemic and recent social unrest. The community engagement will inform an interactive installation and a site-specific, multimedia public performance, as well as a series of other arts events. In partnership with the Minneapolis Office of the Arts, Culture and the Creative Economy, the Lake Street Council, and the Native American Community Development Institute, the theater will elevate local perspectives on the pandemic, uniting the community to heal and rebuild.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 5 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 08/2021 - 06/2023

Penobscot Indian Nation

1886735-42

Indian Island, ME 04468-1254

To support cultural tourism planning and arts programming celebrating the Penobscot Nation's cultural assets. A partnership with the Abbe Museum, the project will include cultural heritage training for tribal citizens and arts programming designed to give an immersive introduction to Penobscot cultural practices on Sugar Island, Maine. The project will create economic opportunities for Penobscot artists and entrepreneurs, and will establish an innovative model for cultural tourism that honors and strengthens local cultural assets.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 2 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2022

Pike School of Art - Mississippi

1886174-42

Summit, MS 39666-0446

To support development of a cultural plan for the McComb Arts and Entertainment District in McComb, Mississippi. A partnership with the City of McComb, the plan will be developed by community engagement workshops and will bolster economic development efforts in the city's historic downtown. The proposed project activities will be informed by and will build on the community's recent participation in the Citizens' Institute on Rural Design program.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 3 Grant Amount: \$25,000

Prince George's Arts and Humanities Council

(aka PGAHC)

1886120-42

Largo, MD 20774-5326

To support community engagement, architectural design, and a series of public art installations establishing a cultural corridor along McCormick Drive in Largo, Maryland. The design and public art will draw upon Prince George's County's history, representing cultural landmarks and diverse stories. A partnership with Prince George's County Office of Central Services, the project will complement the recent relocation of county government services to Largo in an effort to improve accessibility to residents. The project will establish a model for increasing the diversity of artists represented in public art commissions, and for demonstrating a cultural placemaking approach that can be replicated throughout the county.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 4 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 06/2023

Producers Club of Maryland, Inc.

1886391-42

Baltimore, MD 21218-5166

To support artist fees associated with an artist residency program within the public library system in Baltimore. The Enoch Pratt Free Library will engage resident artists to employ archival practices to document and tell the stories of Baltimoreans' resiliency and creativity through community storytelling workshops and a series of community art projects. Project partners also will include the Baltimore City Office of the Mayor and the Office of Promotion and the Arts, Maryland Institute College of Art, North Charles Community Association, and Station North Arts District.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 7 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 01/2023

Project Row Houses

1886146-42

Houston, TX 77004-4247

To support an artist residency focused on financial literacy and career counseling based in the Third Ward neighborhood in Houston. Artists in residence will collaborate with Project Row House's Financial Opportunity Center and local residents to reimagine financial literacy and career counseling curricula and to develop new teaching tools that improve accessibility, customize the program to the specific needs and goals of the community, and increase economic equity and cultural stability in the Third Ward. In partnership with the City of Houston Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs, Project Row Houses will advance community goals identified in the City of Houston Arts and Cultural Plan and the Third Ward Complete Communities Action Plan. The project will demonstrate artists' use of innovative problem solving to improve the delivery of vital social services.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 18 Grant Amount: \$100,000

Regional Arts & Culture Council

(aka RACC)

1886794-42

Portland, OR 97209-3356

To support an arts and justice fellowship and cultural planning in Portland, Oregon. A partnership with the Portland Bureau of Transportation, the project is expected to support equitable access to new transportation infrastructure along the East Portland Cultural Corridor, as well as cultivate social cohesion and encourage community involvement in cultural planning in East Portland. Project partners will establish a model for implementing public art projects and programming that is responsive to resident's priorities.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 1 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 06/2023

RiffRaff Arts Collective, Inc.

1886400-42

Princeton, WV 24740-2907

To support a series of arts programming that fosters dialog and healing in Princeton, West Virginia. Project activities include the production of music videos, documentary short films, and community conversations. Community members, including youth, will co-create and present artworks at city council meetings as a way to initiate discussions on critical issues facing Princeton, such as homelessness, mental health, and drug abuse. Project partners include the City of Princeton, Community Connections, West Virginia University Center for Resilient Communities, and other local nonprofits. The creative methods of engagement are intended to bring about positive community change and connection, ultimately serving as a model for the region.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 3 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our TownDiscipline: DesignGrant Period: 07/2021 - 07/2023

Shreveport Regional Arts Council

(aka SRAC)

1886637-42

Shreveport, LA 71101-3435

To support an artist residency, artist apprenticeship program, and public art lighting installation at the Texas Street Bridge in Shreveport, Louisiana. Lighting artist Tracey Dear will develop an animated light artwork for the bridge and will train a team of local artists to become long-term designers and programmers of the permanent lighting system. Additionally, residents will be invited to design concepts for future lighting installations. A partnership of the City of Shreveport, the Shreveport-Bossier Convention and Tourist Bureau, the Bossier Arts Council, Historically Black Colleges and Universities including Southern University at Shreveport and Grambling State University, and other local partners, the installation will transform the bridge into an iconic and engaging feature of Shreveport's riverfront, and generate economic opportunities for local artists participating in the program.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 4 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Tiny WPA (aka) 1886747-42

Philadelphia, PA 19121-4410

To support community design workshops, a design-build apprenticeship program, and fabrication of furnishings and architectural features for a renovated recreation center in Philadelphia. In partnership with the City of Philadelphia's Rebuilding Community Infrastructure initiative, Make the World Better Foundation, and Philadelphia Parks and Recreation, architects and craftsmen will collaborate with youth and other residents to design, prototype, and fabricate unique amenities to be installed at the renovated Vare Recreation Center. The process of collaborating in the design and building improvements for this public space will deepen the sense of ownership and stewardship among residents, while also building valuable skills among project participants. The project will establish a model for a community and design-engaged approach for future city-built capital projects.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 2 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 12/2022

Transart & Cultural Services, Inc. (aka TRANSART) 1886669-42

New Paltz, NY 12561-4502

To support a Pinkster festival celebrating African-American history, arts, and culture in the Hudson Valley region. A partnership with the Ulster County Office of the Executive, the inaugural festival has origins as an African-American holiday in the region. Artists will engage the community to convert stories and histories of residents into parables, fables, music, and other forms of artistic expression rooted in African tradition for presentation at the multi-day festival. The festival will center historically marginalized narratives, particularly those of local people of color, in an effort to build social cohesion across the diverse rural-urban region. The project will elevate civic pride and engagement, and ultimately boost economic opportunities through cultural tourism.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 19 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town Discipline: Design Grant Period: 07/2021 - 12/2022

Trust for Public Land (aka TPL) 1886726-42
San Francisco, CA 94104-4151

To support community engagement, public space design, and art installations at Chiloquin Elementary School in Chiloquin, Oregon. Project activities will include a participatory design process for the 8.5-acre campus that is within walking distance of 98% of Chiloquin residents and has the potential to serve as a park and a gathering space for the community. Local artists will collaborate with the community to develop public art installations. A partnership with the Klamath Tribes, the school district, and community organizations, the project will elevate cultural assets, Native languages, and encourage communal gathering as a way to unite and heal the rural community.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 12 Grant Amount: \$75,000

Tuscaloosa, AL 35487-0001

To support Flow Tuscaloosa, a series of art-making workshops, a community celebration, and an exhibition to accompany the restoration of Hurricane Creek in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Artists will lead youth and other residents in a series of lantern-making workshops exploring the theme of river access, offering up prototypes of lanterns for future permanent installations along the creek. Residents will use lanterns from the workshops, as well as others created by local artists, in a community procession and celebration of the creek restoration effort. The activities will demonstrate the role artists can play in deepening community connection, encourage residents to become stewards to protect the creek, and illustrate possibilities for artistic interventions throughout city parks. Project partners will include the City of Tuscaloosa Public Art Committee, curatorial group Selvage Collective, Friends of Hurricane Creek, and Tuscaloosa City Schools.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 7 Grant Amount: \$50,000

Category: Our Town **Discipline:** Design **Grant Period:** 07/2021 - 06/2022

University of North Carolina at Wilmington

(aka)

1884524-42

Wilmington, NC 28403-3201

To support collaborative works of visual art and spoken-word performance. University of North Carolina at Wilmington's Office of the Arts, in partnership with the City of Wilmington and the Wilmington Police Department's Police Activities League, will bring teaching artists together with police officers, social workers, and local youth to collaborate on the design and implementation of a multidisciplinary work of art, incorporating elements inspired by graffiti and hip-hop. As part of the project, artists and police officers will participate in trauma-informed training classes, in accordance with a citywide effort to increase awareness of children's mental health. Through project activities, participants will increase their mutual trust and understanding and expand the Police Activities League's capacity to incorporate arts and culture in its community engagement strategy.

Fiscal Year: 2021 Congressional District: 7 Grant Amount: \$75,000