



# **Arts Education Collective Impact**

Number of Grants: 8 Total Dollar Amount: \$684,000

#### Alabama Alliance for Arts Education

Montgomery, AL \$50,000

To support a collective impact project to develop a Statewide Comprehensive Arts Education Plan. Alabama Alliance for Arts Education and the Alabama State Council on the Arts will lead a collective impact project through communication, quarterly meetings, coordination of a leadership team, collection of statewide data on the status of arts education, and development of a shared agenda with measureable goals. The leadership team comprising diverse stakeholders was formed in 2013 as a direct result of Alabama's participation in the National Endowment for the Arts' Education Leaders Institute (ELI).

#### **Boston Public Schools**

Boston, MA \$100,000

To support a two-year collective impact project to sustain and deepen the work of the Boston Public Schools Arts Expansion Initiative in high schools. The project will increase the number of graduates who meet Massachusetts Common Core Standards in art and build a foundation for further developing the effort in targeted schools. Schools, teaching artists, and partners will engage in professional development and provide new arts classes while partners in the community will secure financial support, track and analyze outcomes, and plan how to reach all Boston Public School students.

### **California Alliance for Arts Education**

Pasadena, CA \$100,000

To support CREATE CA, a coalition for collective impact in arts education in California schools. The alliance will build organizational capacity, hold a large statewide convening of partners, plan action to address fieldwide issues, and promote the importance of arts education for California's schools and the state. CREATE CA is a coalition of five organizations, the California Department of Education, the California Arts Council (CAC), the California PTA, the California County Superintendents Educational Services Association (CCSESA), and the California Alliance for Arts Education (CAAE). The coalition's efforts will build upon foundational work completed by California's team to the 2011 National Endowment for the Arts Education Leaders Institute (ELI) and gather baseline data for the creation of an Arts Education Report Card.

# **Cathedral Arts Project**

Jacksonville, FL \$100,000

To support Any Given Child Jacksonville. A two-year collective impact project, the partnership will communicate the importance of arts education to families, educators, policymakers, students, and business leaders through a concerted communications plan. Cathedral Arts Project will mobilize the community to secure financial support for sequential instruction in the visual and performing arts for Duval County Public Schools. It also will provide sequential in-school and after-school programs in dance, theater, music, and visual arts for students, and professional development for school faculty, administrators, and community partner organizations. Cathedral

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Arts Project will coordinate a cross-sector steering committee that includes the school district, the Cultural Council of Greater Jacksonville, local museums and performing arts organizations, universities, foundations, health service organizations, businesses, the Office of the Mayor of Jacksonville, and representatives from the Kennedy Center.

### Los Angeles County Office of Education (aka LACOE)

Downey, CA \$90,000

To support Technology Enhanced Arts Learning (TEAL), a collective impact project for public school teachers and administrators working across school districts in Los Angeles County. The project will use technology-infused tools, resources, and content with both face-to-face and online support to reach elementary school teachers and principals with strategies to develop and implement curriculum aligned to Visual and Performing Arts and Common Core State Standards. In addition, the project will establish the network of District Arts Coaches through online resources and a forum for sharing and collaboration. Los Angeles County Arts Commission provides backbone support for the initiative. TEAL supports and connects government agencies, school districts, arts organizations, and local stakeholders who work in concert to advance quality arts education for Los Angeles County's 1.6 million public school students. The Center for Distance and Online Learning, a unit within the Division of Curriculum and Instructional Services at LACOE, provides curriculum-driven online educational systems and professional development for equitable access to high quality curriculum and instruction.

## **Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools**

Nashville, TN \$100,000

To support implementation of Music Makes Us: Next Generation, a collective impact project. The initiative will convene community stakeholders and provide professional development for school teachers. Music Makes Us is an initiative of five primary stakeholder groups – the Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools, the Office of the Mayor, the Nashville music industry, local nonprofit arts sector, and higher education institutions. The Advisory Council will assess, identify, and fill in stakeholder gaps in the current membership, train key stakeholders to take action-oriented roles and cultivate new relationships with the music and business industries. The project also will develop a network of teacher education departments at collaborating institutions, including Middle Tennessee State University, Belmont University, Vanderbilt University, Lipscomb University, Tennessee State University, Trevecca Nazarene University, and Cumberland University, to bridge pre-service and in-service training and support for music educators and boost music teacher recruitment and retention.

### **Newark Arts Council**

Newark, NJ \$50,000

**To support Arts Up!: Cultivating Creative Newark, a collective impact of the Newark Arts in Education Roundtable.** Local arts organizations, artists, arts funders, Newark Public Schools, and community organizations will collaborate to ensure that young people in the city have access to sustained, quality arts experiences. This project supports a series of meetings, observations, a citywide conference, shared data analysis, and review of access to arts education services in Newark. It supports the articulation of a shared vision for arts education and the development of an action plan that outlines programming strategies, as well as a strategy to communicate the action plan to a broader community. Project partners will include Without Walls, Newark Public Schools,

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Dodge Foundation, Newark Museum, New Jersey Performing Arts Center, New Jersey Symphony Orchestra, Yendor Productions, Montclair Art Museum, and Victoria Foundation.

### **Seattle Public Schools**

Seattle, WA \$94,200

To support implementation of Creative Advantage, a collective impact partnership. The project will provide arts leadership coaches who will work with schools to refine arts plans with a focus on closing access gaps, alignment with educational standards and K-12 sequential arts learning. In addition, arts partners will be matched with schools based on an analysis of the school arts plans. Baseline data will be gathered for a longitudinal database to track student growth of outcomes across all Creative Advantage schools. The partnership, comprising Seattle Public Schools, Seattle's Office of Arts & Culture, the Seattle Foundation, Arts Corps, ArtsEd Washington, and the Seattle Art Museum, will ensure equitable access to arts education for all students in Seattle Public Schools.