



## How Is My Organization's General Operating Support (GOS) Grant Calculated?

### How is my GOS grant amount determined?

CAC uses a mathematical formula to calculate GOS grants. CAC has used the same baseline funding formula for all GOS grants since 2008.

### Did CAC invent this formula?

No. CAC uses a calculation based on the Ohio Arts Council's formula.

### Why does CAC use a formula?

Using a funding formula ensures that:

- grants are determined in a fair and impartial manner; and
- funding is relative to each organization's budget size to ensure meaningful grants for all organizations.

### What are the factors that contribute to the formula and my grant amount?

- Your organization's average eligible operating revenue for fiscal years 2018, 2019 and 2020;
- Your organization's average operating revenue compared to the combined average revenue of all other organizations within the GOS pool; and
- The total amount CAC allocated to the GOS program this cycle.

### How does CAC determine how much to allocate to the GOS program?

- CAC makes allocation decisions guided by its Board-approved [Allocation Policy](#).
- CAC analyzes its revenue projections and makes an allocation recommendation to the Board each cycle.
- The Board reviews the allocation recommendation and makes the final decision during public meeting(s).

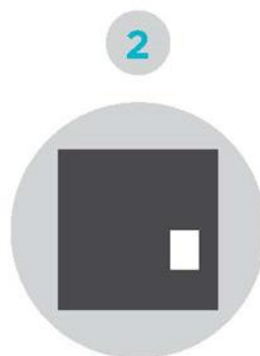
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## 2022-23 General Operating Support Grant

Factors contributing to your grant amount:



**1**  
Your organization's average adjusted operating budget for fiscal years 2018, 2019, and 2020.



**2**  
Your organization's average operating budget compared to the combined budgets of all other organizations in the GOS pool.



**3**  
The total amount of funding CAC has allocated to the GOS program this cycle.



Even if your organization's average eligible operating revenue has stayed the same since the last GOS cycle, your 2022-23 grant amount will shrink to a greater degree than the percentage decrease in the allocation.



| Your Eligible Operating Revenue* |      |      |         | Your 2022-23 grant amount |
|----------------------------------|------|------|---------|---------------------------|
| 2018                             | 2019 | 2020 | Average |                           |
|                                  |      |      |         |                           |

Almost all organizations in the pool have grown. If others grew in larger percentages than you, this will mean a smaller grant for your organization.

CAC's revenue projections have continued to decline since the last GOS cycle, which means a smaller amount may be allocated to the GOS program for 2022-23. This would result in most organizations receiving smaller grants in 2022-23.

\*\*CAC has committed to maintaining an allocation of \$10.2 million to GOS for the 2022-23 grant cycle

\* CAC calculates your organization's average eligible operating revenue based on your completed [Eligible Revenue and Support forms](#) for fiscal years 2018-2020