

PANEL RESULTS & COMMENTS

2019 PROJECT SUPPORT II



Eliza Bryant Village

Your Project Title: Voices of the Village

Your Project Summary: Voices of the Village is a series of projects designed to provide seniors an opportunity for deep and meaningful reflection and expression through various art forms, including ceramics, painting, photography and storytelling. We will collaborate with local artists to engage seniors in conversation while creating works of arts to showcase throughout the Village and in the community, capturing and preserving their life experiences for future generations to come.

Final Score: Yes. Overall, the panel felt that the applicant provided evidence throughout the application that the funding criteria were met.

CAC Grant Amount: \$5,000

To ensure an impartial and transparent application review process, CAC convened an online panel of arts and cultural professionals from outside the region who evaluated and scored eligible applications.

Panelists scored each application based on the Funding Criteria—Public Benefit, Artistic and Cultural Vibrancy and Organizational Capacity—with an emphasis on Public Benefit. For more details regarding the panel process and full panelist bios, please review the [Panel Guide](#).



Kelsey Brown
(Los Angeles, CA)



Tré Hardin
(Nashville, TN)



Brittnie Knight
(Philadelphia, PA)



Katie Skayhan
(Boulder, CO)



Deidre Thomas
(Houston, TX)

Below you will find each panelist's score and comment on your application in response to the question: **With an emphasis on public benefit, does the applicant demonstrate evidence that it meets CAC's three funding criteria?**

Note: Panelist scores and comments are presented in no particular order.

Panelist 1

Score: Somewhat

Comment: The targeted community is very specific, and reach to the general public is very broad. The application doesn't demonstrate a strong intent to be inclusive of those living outside of the long term care facility. Therefore, this application only somewhat meets the funding criteria.

Panelist 2

Score: Yes

Comment: This project meets the funding criteria. The artistic and cultural vibrancy is apparent, and the organization has a history of success in building meaningful programs that are responsive to the community it serves. I especially like the incorporation of new opportunities for art-making to increase skill-building. The storytelling aspect further maximizes public benefit by being accessible to the public through another community partnership.

Panelist 3

Score: Yes

Comment: This application meets the funding criteria. There is both an external community integration on top of an internal employee-based engagement process ringing true throughout this project. Through financial support the employees are engaged with the programmatic overview. Attention to your daily numbers also helps to understand who and how many beyond the village will engage with the programming.

Panelist 4

Score: Yes

Comment: This project meets the funding requirements. By engaging senior citizens, the project shows public benefit by giving the seniors the opportunity to express themselves and share their experience through a clearly stated medium. The artwork showcase gives the community an opportunity to experience the artwork and can inspire different generations by sharing the experiences of the seniors through the arts. The employee-giving fund demonstrates a staff that is dedicated to the lives of their community and provides confident that they will have the capacity to manage the project.

Panelist 5

Score: Yes

Comment: Yes, the project meets funding criteria. The proposal illustrates a deep understanding and respect of the residents at EBV. They also detail many stakeholders and community partners that would be involved in the project's production. What wasn't clear was if the project was open to the public - perhaps one of the lessons planned for the seniors could be a "community/family day" group activity which would be able to include the public in sharing the classes with the residents. The project encourages thinking differently about treatment for seniors by using art as a means of a expression, as well as employing many art professionals to carry out the mission. Proposal is very detailed in its goal outline as well as how it will measure the goals.

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