

PANEL RESULTS & COMMENTS

2019 PROJECT SUPPORT II



Friends of Euclid Creek

Your Project Title: Capturing Water

Your Project Summary: FOEC will work towards creating a green and sustainable culture by providing an opportunity for Cuyahoga County residents to build and install rain barrels for home use. These events will occur in conjunction with the seven cities, in the Euclid Creek watershed, "home days" festivals. A low water use tie-dye party will also be held in conjunction with Praxis Fiber Studio.

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

CAC Grant Amount: \$3,000

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](#).



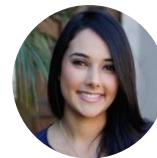
Kristine Harman
(Athens, OH)



Alena Leonatti
(Carpinteria, CA)



Shin Yu Pai
(Seattle, WA)



Christianne Rojo
(Santa Barbara, CA)

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: Yes

Comment: The applicant meets the funding criteria. Public benefit is reflected through the FOEC covering half of the costs of the rain barrel materials in order for participants from various socio-economic backgrounds to participate. This demonstrates the applicant's willingness to work with participants of the event and the greater community they are serving. The tie dye activity included in the event reflects diverse and creative programming and thus artistic vibrancy.

Panelist 2

Score: Yes

Comment: This project meets the funding criteria. This is a great way to educate the community and is a wonderful public benefit that fosters community sustainability. The applicant demonstrates a clear understanding of the community environment, and uses this knowledge to drive their work by hosting an event that brings together the community to learn, grow, and think about their home. The cost of purchasing the rain barrels may limit participation, but the overall cost is reasonable. The proposal is clear, the need for the money is specific and detailed, and overall this project should inspire the community to think creatively.

Panelist 3

Score: Somewhat

Comment: This proposal somewhat meets the funding criteria. The creation of rain barrels is a public benefit in teaching community members about environmental stewardship and sustainability. However, the activity seems limited in terms of its creative vibrancy focusing on more on a making element versus an educational or learning experience. This organization devotes very little of its budget annual to arts and culture and this proposal does not represent a complexity of interdisciplinary engagement.

Panelist 4

Score: Yes

Comment: The project meets the funding criteria. This project educates the community and unites with other community partners in a publicly beneficial way. The event is innovative, engaging, and inspires the public to think about water use in a different way. The organization is very capable of executing this event. Although the events are free, installing a rainbarrel has a fee which may still discourage individuals with lower incomes who may benefit most from the

cost savings of installing rain barrels. The fee is reasonable, however, if more money could be used to cover the cost of the rain barrel for economically disadvantaged participants through a scholarship, it may bring in an even broader audience and increase the public benefit.

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