

PANEL RESULTS & COMMENTS

2020 PROJECT SUPPORT II



Bethlehem Community Health

Your Project Title: Community Based Youth Music Education Program

Your Project Summary: Our goal for 2020 is to provide six months of regularly scheduled weekly classes beginning in January –provided at no charge- for twenty students ages 10 – 17 that will culminate in three special performances in June of 2020 as our students come together as the Global Youth Chamber Orchestra.

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

CAC Grant Amount: \$4,000

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](#).



McKenzi Swinehart
(Columbus, OH)



Lisa Harper Chang
(Arlington, VA)



Sherman Fleming
(Philadelphia, PA)

Below you will find the panel's scores and any feedback 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

Panelist 2

Score: Somewhat

Panelist 3

Score: Yes

I appreciate the enthusiasm you have for your work, and moreover, I really appreciate the merging of arts engagement and case management/social work. Very nice budget/matching plan description. "100% of our program participants will report that they feel healthier..." is, again, wildly optimistic, even for a well-thought-out and innovative program such as yours, so it might be good to rephrase your goal to one that is more attainable and measurable. Causation is difficult to measure; correlation between program participation and higher life satisfaction is a reasonable goal. Overall, though, strong application and great program.

Questions? Cuyahoga Arts & Culture is here to assist. Please contact:

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