

## PANEL RESULTS & COMMENTS 2020 PROJECT SUPPORT II



### Front Steps Housing and Services

**Your Project Title:** Chronically Homeless with a Persistent Mental Illness Express Themselves Through Visual Arts

**Your Project Summary:** Over the past 30+ years, we have worked with thousands of homeless individuals as both transitional and permanent supportive housing programs and in that time we have found that our residents have been traumatized and are living with mental illness. They also lack a safe and appropriate means of expression to relieve themselves of this burden. Art Therapy has proven to be an effective outlet to constructively and creatively bring meaning to their lives in an individual and social context.

**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](#).



**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:** Yes

Strong application. Would be nice to see a sample of the surveys or the Ohio Scales for Adults or perhaps some preliminary analysis of data collected on the program to date in your support materials.

Panelist 3

**Score:** Yes

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

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