**West Side Catholic Center**

**Your Project Title:** Expressive Arts Program

**Your Project Summary:** Programs designed to help homeless individuals find a path to self-sufficiency must address the psychological and physiological effects of trauma in order to be effective. WSCC’s Expressive Arts program provides clients with a series of artistic and cultural experiences that help them heal and give them an opportunity to express themselves during the annual Expressive Arts Showcase.

**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.

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

Panelist 3

Score: Yes

Program activities were very thoroughly described, as was the audience they serve. In terms of public benefit, it's great to learn that their team has expanded the program each year based on their participants' needs/interests and are committed to best fit the needs of their audience.

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

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