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PUBLICITY CREDIT INSTRUCTIONS

Organizations and individuals receiving grant funds must give appropriate credit to the funding agencies.

The Arts Council of York County (ACYC) and the South Carolina Arts Commission (SCAC) logos and support statement are to be used in all of your publicity efforts for grant-supported activities. Logos are available for download on the Arts Council's website (www.yorkcountyarts.org/grants) and on the South Carolina Arts Commission's website (www.southcarolinaarts.com/resources/press-kit).

The following credit must be given to these sources in all advertising, news releases, printed materials, and promotion and publicity in no less than 10-point font, both in print and online. Samples of promotional material should be submitted with your final report.

Support for this project is provided in part by the Arts Council of York County Small Grants Program, and by a generous award from the John and Susan Bennett Memorial Arts Fund of the Coastal Community Foundation of South Carolina, and the South Carolina Arts Commission, which receives funding from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Please note that the phrase "publicity/promotional materials" mentioned above includes, but is not limited to:

- Brochures
- Flyers
- Postcards
- Press Releases
- Programs
- Advertising
- Social media

It is important for grant recipients to express their appreciation to their local legislators for such support. Upon notification of a grant award, the recipient is responsible for informing local legislators of ACYC funding, inviting them to events sponsored by the grant, and offering them free tickets to programs. (You will find a sample letter in this packet).

SAMPLE PRESS RELEASE

This is a press release template that you may modify and e-mail (or mail) to your local media to inform them of your grant. Insert your logo at the top of this document or print it on your organizational letterhead.

(Month) (Day), (Year)
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Contact: (Insert Name)
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(ORGANIZATION or INDIVIDUAL NAME) RECEIVES GRANT FROM ARTS COUNCIL OF YORK COUNTY

(CITY, S.C.) — (Your organization / individual) has been awarded a \$ _____ grant by the Arts Council of York County for the (year-year) fiscal year.

Support for this project is provided in part by the Arts Council of York County Small Grants Program, and by a generous award from the John and Susan Bennett Memorial Arts Fund of the Coastal Community Foundation of South Carolina, and the South Carolina Arts Commission, which receives funding from the National Endowment for the Arts. The grant will allow (your organization / individual) to [briefly describe what you plan to do with the funding].

[Elaborate on the sentence above by describing your grant project, who it will serve and how it will benefit your community.]

[Insert quote (e.g., "The Arts Council grant will assist the XYZ Theatre Company in paying for the licensing fees to present the musical *Oklahoma* to York County residents during its 2022-2023 season," said the XYZ Theatre President Jane Doe. "This funding helps us achieve our mission of presenting classic musical theatre experiences in our local community.")]

*Other project sponsors are supporting the required local match, including (organizations / individuals). Other supporters of the grant project are: (list supporters).

Local residents can see how the Arts Council grant and local funds are benefiting (your organization / name) by visiting us at [insert info about the upcoming event, performance, class, etc. and include info about when and where it will be held].

About (organization / individual): [Insert boilerplate paragraph about you/your organization (who you are, what you do, how you do it and why).]

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*Paragraph is optional if you are not receiving other support, or if you provide all of the applicant cash match.

SAMPLE LEGISLATOR LETTER

This is a sample letter that you may use to notify your state officials of your grant awards, as required in your grant agreement, or you may create your own. Print it on your organizational letterhead (if applicable), and adapt to fit your grant-funded activity. Please keep copies of your final letters to enclose with your final report to the Arts Council of York County.

(date)

The Honorable **(John Doe)**
S.C. **(State Senate/House of Representatives)**
(see enclosed list for addresses)

Dear **(Senator/Representative Doe)**:

We are pleased to report that **(your organization)** has received a grant of \$_____ from the Arts Council of York County. On behalf of the constituents in your district, thank you for your continued support of the arts in our state. Your support will allow us to **[describe your grant project - Who will it serve? What are the benefits to your community?]**.

The Arts Council grant, which must be matched with local dollars, has helped us leverage \$_____ from **(list some of the foundations, corporations, local businesses, private individuals, et. al., who have supported your grant project)**. This money goes directly back into our local and state economy, and further supports the development of our community.

We invite you to attend **(performance/exhibit/opening/class, etc.)** so you can see firsthand what we do and how state support helps make it happen.

(Options: I will contact you within the next few weeks to schedule a time..

Invitations will be sent to your office...

We hope that you might give some opening remarks, etc...)

Thank you again for your support of the arts in our state.

Sincerely,

(signature)

(Title of person signing)

LIST OF LEGISLATORS

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235 E. Main St., Suite 110, Rock Hill, SC 29730

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717 Hart Senate Office Bldg., Washington, DC 20510
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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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2305 Rayburn HOB, Washington, DC 20515
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Speaker *Pro Tempore*
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