



Dear Arts Alliance,

I am pleased to announce the Davis City Council's decision on March 1st, 2022 to award \$600,000 in American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds to the local nonprofit arts & culture sector.

Last November, we submitted a collective ask for the sector that addressed needs ranging from brick-and-mortar institutions to individual artists. Of course, it doesn't cover everything, but it will provide a much-needed boost for many. And beyond that, at a time when it's felt like our sector has been persistently overlooked through COVID relief efforts, we feel seen, and heard.

I particularly want to acknowledge the ongoing work of our City's Arts & Culture staff, and that of Shelly Gilbride, Executive Director of International House Davis. Shelly stepped in to really drive this process through its last mile. Gratitude!

One process will be developed and administered by Yolo Community Foundation, and another by City Arts & Cultural Affairs. It will take some time, but stay tuned for details. Thank you to all who have supported the process with your signatures and public comments.

Meanwhile, please let City Council and Staff know how much their work means. You can send an email to all of them via the link found here: <https://www.cityofdavis.org/city-hall/city-council>

In Community,
Autumn Labbe-Renault, Chair

For reference, here are links to the Arts Alliance Davis proposal, and other ARP-funded items approved by the City Council:

[Arts Alliance Davis ARP funding proposal](#)

[American Rescue Plan Act \(ARPA\) Funding Recommendations](#)

[Davis Enterprise article on City Council allocation](#)