Ohio Arts Council

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- Ohio Arts Council reduced funding categories from 24 to 7, making grant funding a more efficient process
- Increased funding for grants, outreach, education, and other items in the Arts Programs area

OVERVIEW

Duties and Responsibilities

The Ohio Arts Council (OAC) was established in 1965 to foster and encourage the development of the arts across Ohio and the preservation of the state's cultural heritage. With funds from the State of Ohio, the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), and the U.S. Department of Education, the agency administers grant programs that provide financial assistance to artists, to arts organizations, and to communities; the agency also provides services that enhance the growth of the arts.

The Arts Council consists of 19 members, with 2 each appointed by the House and Senate and 15 appointed by the Governor. The agency's executive director is appointed by, and reports to, the Council. The agency's executive director currently oversees an administrative, clerical, and program staff of 33 employees.

The agency's activities can be separated into two program series: Arts Programming and Percent for Arts. The Arts Programming program series consists of three programs: Arts Programs (subsidies), Arts Services, and the Riffe Gallery. The Percent for Arts program series is a legislatively mandated activity administered by the Ohio Arts Council. Overall funding is \$13.66 million in each fiscal year, or 8.1% higher than projected FY 2007 spending of \$12.62 million.

Agency in Brief

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Number of	Total Appropriations-All Funds		GRF Appr	Appropriation		
Employees*	2008	2009	2008	2009	Bill(s)	
31	\$13.66 million	\$13.66 million	\$12.49 million	\$12.49 million	Am. Sub. H.B. 119	

^{*}Employee count obtained from the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) payroll reports as of June 2007.

Total Budget by Fund GroupFY 2008-2009 biennium

ANALYSIS OF THE BUDGET

Program Series

1: Arts Programming

Purpose: This program series governs the majority of the Ohio Arts Council functions, including its grants making activities and the management of the Riffe Gallery.

The following table shows the line items that are used to fund the Arts Programming program series, as well as the funding levels enacted in Am. Sub. H.B. 119.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2008	FY 2009	
General Rever	nue Fund				
GRF	370-100	Personal Services	\$1,798,235	\$1,798,235	
GRF	370-200	Maintenance	\$459,746	\$459,746	
GRF	370-300	Equipment	\$82,7000	\$82,7000	
GRF	370-502	State Program Subsidies	\$10,147,480	\$10,147,480	
		General Revenue Fund Subtotal	\$12,488,161	\$12,488,161	
General Servi	ces Fund				
460	370-602	Management Expenses and Donations	\$285,000	\$285,000	
4B7	370-603	Percent for Art Acquisitions	\$86,366	\$86,366	
		General Services Fund Subtotal	\$371,366	\$371,366	
Federal Speci	al Revenue Fund				
314	314 370-601 Federal Support \$800,000		\$800,000	\$800,000	
		Federal Special Revenue Fund Subtotal	\$800,000	\$800,000	
Total Funding	: Arts Programm	ning	\$\$13,659,527	\$\$13,659,527	

This analysis focuses on the following specific programs within the Arts Programming program series:

Program 1.01: Arts Programs
 Program 1.02: Arts Services
 Program 1.03: Riffe Gallery

Arts Programs

Program Description: This program supports the Ohio Arts Council grants opportunities, divided by the following categories: Arts Learning, Individual Creativity, Arts Access, Arts Innovation, Capacity Building, Sustainability, and International Partnership.

Implication of the Budget: Funding is \$10,147,480 for both FY 2008 and FY 2009. Funding at this level will allow the Arts Programs to continue at current service levels, as well as allow for additional activities. An additional \$1,000,000 per fiscal year in line item 370-502, Program Subsidies, will be used for additional support for the Council's main grant programs described above; additional arts education activities; additional arts outreach activities to underserved communities; and to fund additional applicants to the Artists in Residence, Arts Innovation, Arts Partnerships, and Sustainability programs.

Arts Services

Program Description: The Arts Services program provides support to public, individual, and organizational efforts that encourage the growth of the arts and arts education in the state. This includes the OnLine Grant Application (OLGA) program, which allows organizations and individuals to apply via the World Wide Web and manage any funded grants on this system. The system has eliminated hundreds of hours of data entry by Council staff and has increased the speed with which grant decisions are made.

Implication of the Budget: Funding is \$3,191,508 for both FY 2008 and FY 2009. Funding at this level will allow the Arts Services program to continue at current service levels.

Riffe Gallery

Program Description: This program provides for the management of the Riffe Gallery in the Vern Riffe Center for Government and the Arts, owned by the Ohio Building Authority. This gallery is free to the public and offers four to five visual arts exhibitions each year.

Implication of the Budget: Funding is \$234,173 for both FY 2008 and FY 2009. Funding at this level will allow the Riffe Gallery to continue operation at the current level. As a result, the Riffe Gallery will continue to be closed Mondays and will continue to observe reduced summer hours.

Program Series 2: Percent for Arts

Purpose: State law provides funds from capital appropriations legislation for the acquisition, commissioning, and installation of works of art for any new or renovated public building with total appropriations of more than \$4 million. Revised Code section 3379.10, effective July 1, 1990, requires that 1% of the total appropriation for these buildings be provided to the Percent for Arts program.

The following table shows the line item that is used to fund the Percent for Arts program series, as well as the funding level enacted in Am. Sub. H.B. 119.

Fund	ALI	Title	FY 2008	FY 2009	
General Servi	ces Fund				
4B7	370-603	Percent for Art Acquisitions	\$86,366	\$86,366	
		General Services Fund Subtotal	\$86,366	\$86,366	
Total Funding	: Percent for Arts	S	\$86,366	\$86,366	

Program Description: The program satisfies R.C. 3379.10, which requires that 1% of the appropriation for new or renovated buildings with a total appropriation of \$4 million or more are granted for the placement of art in the structure.

Implication of the Budget: The program is flat funded at FY 2007 levels of \$86,366. This program is subject to the size and funding schedule of capital projects and is based on the previous fiscal year's appropriation.

Line Item Detail by Agency		FY 2005:	FY 2006:	FY 2007 Adj. Appropriations:	FY 2008 Appropriations:	% Change 2007 to 2008:	FY 2009 Appropriations:	% Change 2008 to 2009:	
Report For: Main Operating Appropriations Bill			Version: Enacted						
ART A	Arts Cou	ncil, Ohio							
GRF	370-100	Personal Services	\$ 1,892,879	\$ 1,798,235	\$ 1,798,235	\$ 1,798,235	0.00%	\$ 1,798,235	0.00%
GRF	370-200	Maintenance	\$ 483,943	\$ 459,746	\$ 459,746	\$ 459,746	0.00%	\$ 459,746	0.00%
GRF	370-300	Equipment		\$ 4,700	\$ 4,700	\$ 82,700	1,659.57%	\$ 82,700	0.00%
GRF	370-502	State Program Subsidies	\$ 8,897,651	\$ 8,832,125	\$ 8,975,480	\$ 10,147,480	13.06%	\$ 10,147,480	0.00%
Gene	eral Revenu	ie Fund Total	\$ 11,274,473	\$ 11,094,806	\$ 11,238,161	\$ 12,488,161	11.12%	\$ 12,488,161	0.00%
460	370-602	Management Expenses and Donations	\$ 429,325	\$ 98,283	\$ 300,000	\$ 285,000	-5.00%	\$ 285,000	0.00%
4B7	370-603	Percent For Art Acquisitions	\$ 68,826	\$ 45,938	\$ 86,366	\$ 86,366	0.00%	\$ 86,366	0.00%
Gene	ral Service	s Fund Group Total	\$ 498,151	\$ 144,221	\$ 386,366	\$ 371,366	-3.88%	\$ 371,366	0.00%
314	370-601	Federal Support	\$ 961,965	\$ 773,094	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 800,000	-20.00%	\$ 800,000	0.00%
Fede	ral Special	Revenue Fund Group Total	\$ 961,965	\$ 773,094	\$ 1,000,000	\$ 800,000	-20.00%	\$ 800,000	0.00%
Arts Cou	ıncil, Ohio	Total	\$ 12,734,589	\$ 12,012,120	\$ 12,624,527	\$ 13,659,527	8.20%	\$ 13,659,527	0.00%