

ARTIST TRUST 2022 ENDURANCE GRANTS



ABOUT

The need for financial support for Washington State artists in addition to merit-based funding remains critical. Through conversations with artists and partners, feedback loops, surveys, and more, **we developed the Artist Trust Endurance Grants in direct response to our community's feedback.** These emergency, need-based grants of **\$2,500 were available for 40 artists** who identify with one or more of the following communities: Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) and/or Native, LGBTQIA+, immunocompromised, with immigrant status, have or are living with a disability, reside outside of King County, and/or are low income.

Within a three-week application period, we received **166** applications from over **20** Washington State counties. **60%** of applicants identified assistance with rent, mortgage, or foreclosure as their top priority. **79%** of applicants reported identifying with two or more impacted communities. Two-thirds of applicants were based in King County.

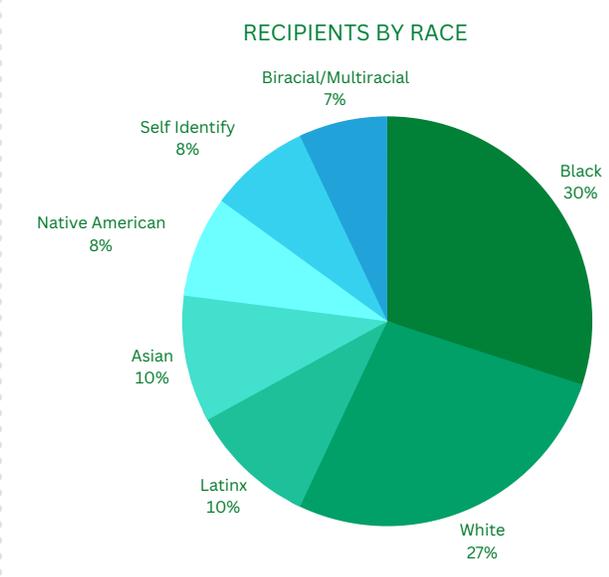
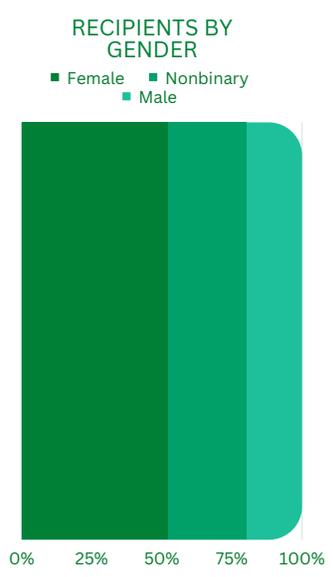
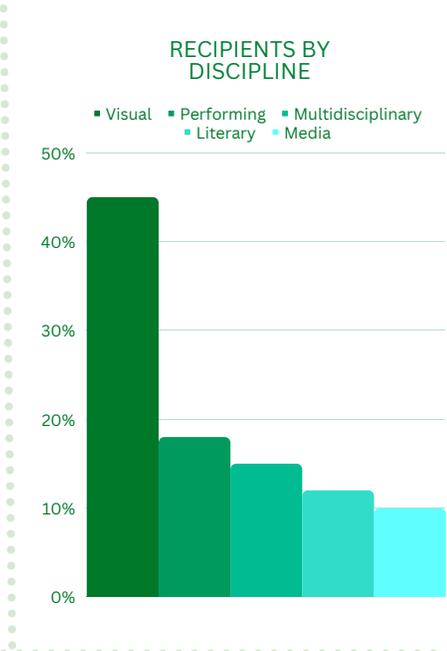
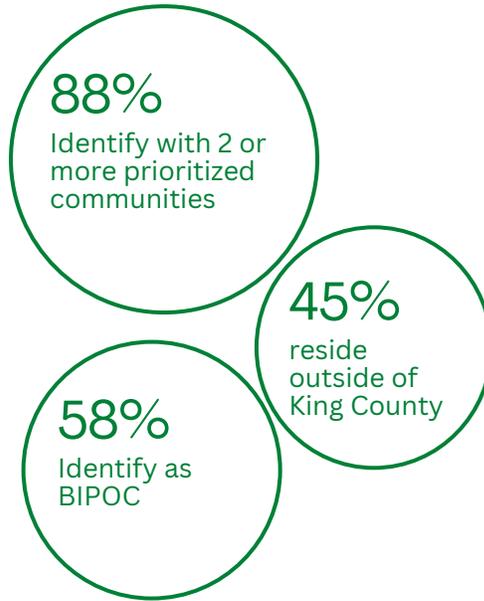
With funding reaching 40 artists from 9 counties, **we're excited to report 88% of recipients identified with two or more impacted communities,** highlighting the importance of meeting artists where they are and recognizing them as their whole intersectional selves.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

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Of the 40 recipients of the 2022 Endurance Grants...

Artists shared they needed support for:



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FAQ

How were recipients selected?

All applications were reviewed for basic eligibility by a multidisciplinary panel consisting of three artists, representing different communities varied by race, age, gender, and Washington State geographic location. **Panelists did not review need or merit.** To select recipients, eligible applicants were included in a random lottery system. As a final step before receipt of funds, pending recipients provided documentation of emergency need, as required by the IRS.

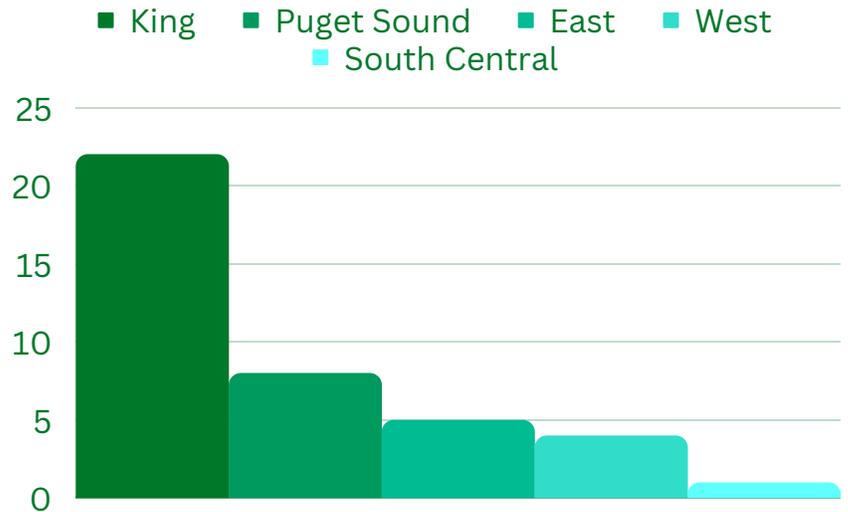
What is next for the Endurance Grants?

This program has been approved by the Artist Trust Board as a **three-year pilot**. 2022 Recipients will receive a follow up evaluation survey to help inform the next iteration of this program. **Our team will also collect feedback from our greater community and conduct artist focus groups to integrate into the 2023 Endurance Grant cycle.** Both recipients and unfunded applicants from the 2022 cycle will be linked with other emergency services and resources.

How can I get involved and support the Endurance Grants?

If you are interested in supporting this work, please visit artisttrust.org/donate or get in touch at info@artisttrust.org.

RECIPIENTS BY REGION



2022 ENDURANCE GRANTS RECIPIENT STORIES

"Receiving the Artist Trust Endurance Grant gives us peace of mind and that we can put more energy into our artistic practice, rather than financial worry."

-Esther Ervin, King County,
2022 Endurance Grant recipient

"Receiving the Artist Trust Endurance Grant jump started my ability to return to writing prose and fabricating jewelry after experiencing a medical emergency. The grant paid for necessary medical care and disability-assistive technology."

-Will Darling, King County, 2022 Endurance Grant recipient

"This grant has been a true blessing. I was struggling to find funds to prepare for upcoming events, and after receiving this grant I was able to get what I needed and in time. So far with this grant, I was able to print work for one exhibition and one upcoming, buy crucial supplies like seed beads, loom needles, exhibiting frames, and a monthly Adobe Creative Suite subscription to continue my projects. Also, it will help me pay my portion of the mortgage, which allows me to focus on more upcoming art grants and opportunities."

-Olivia Evans, Spokane County, 2022 Endurance Grant recipient