

ARTS AND ECONOMIC PROSPERITY (AEP6): Final survey collection: 864 surveys collected (108% of goal), including 230 DEI surveys (103% of goal). 98 organizational surveys approved. (33% increase from AEP5).

AEP6 rollout:

Oct 12: Virtual launch of AEP6 results

Oct 24-26: site visit from Randy Cohen, Americans for the Arts

Oct 24: Welcome for Randy Cohen with the DAC and invited guests (*tentative, due to Randy's travel schedule*)

Oct 25: AEP6: Tallahassee/Leon County Findings

Presentation of local AEP6 results by Randy Cohen

City Commission 5-min presentation of AEP6 results & proclamation

AEP6: State of the Arts in Florida

Presentation of the statewide AEP6 results, with local highlights, by Randy Cohen

Oct 26: Meetings with legislators and commissioners

OCTOBER IS NATIONAL ARTS & HUMANITIES MONTH

<https://www.americansforthearts.org/designing-our-destiny/national-arts-humanities-month>

FEDERAL: NEA, NEH & Funding for Arts Agency

The latest update <https://www.americansforthearts.org/news-room/legislative-news/fy24-appropriations-update>

STATE: October 5 was the Leon County Delegation meeting

SAVE THE DATE! January 24 is Arts Advocacy Day 2024

LOCAL:

The City did not allocate additional funds for the FY24 Cultural Grant program in their FY24 budget. In September, as part of its annual program plan update, COCA submitted a request with the County, with the City copied, to use TDT for a portion of its general operating support, then re-grant that portion of general operating revenue through the FY24 Cultural Grant program. This request aligned with the County contract and the Cultural Plan.

OTHER FEDERAL: ARTS + SOCIAL IMPACT EXPLORER <https://ww2.americansforthearts.org/explorer>

Ongoing Creative Economy Legislation:

- **AEDF/Arts Education for All Act** (HR 5581) supports universal arts ed from pre-K through 12th grade.
- **CREATE Act** (HR 6381 / S.3521) aligns policy to serve those that make our creative economy prosper.
- **PLACE Act** (HR 6569 / S.3560) bolsters local creative economies and workers in creative industries.
- **CERA/Creative Economy Revitalization Act** (HR 5019 / S. 2858) grants-creative workers/public projects.
- **PATPA/Performing Artist Tax Parity Act of 2021** (S. 2872) for arts workers to deduct business expenses.
- **21CFWP/21st Century Federal Writers Project Act** (HR 3054) will authorize a new grant program & create a nationally administered archives for the commissioned writing.
- **STAR/Saving Transit Arts Resources Act** (HR 2380) local transit authorities control art/non-functional landscaping in federally funded transit projects and historical/heritage societies and

