

News and Information for the SCFD Family

Dates, Deadlines & Directions

Tier III allocation process moving ahead

The Tier III funding process has entered its final stages with all allocation meetings of the County Cultural Councils conducted and draft allocation recommendations submitted. In July, County Commissioners or City Councils will review allocation decisions made by the cultural councils. When these allocation decisions are finalized by County Commissioners or City Councils they will then be reviewed by the SCFD Board of Directors.

Tier II deadline approaching

An important deadline for existing Tier II organizations is approaching this month. Organizations that have not yet scheduled their virtual interviews should reach out to Kendal Zimmermann at <u>kendal@scfd.org</u>.

• July 8: Certification Reports are due by 4 p.m.

Resources for Good

SCFD Teen Council Application 2020

Do you know teen who loves the organizations that the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) supports? Are they looking to gain leadership experience and to make a difference in their community while having fun? The SCFD Teen Council aims to connect teens from all backgrounds with opportunities to engage in arts, science, and culture. We are looking for ambitious, hardworking teens that will put leadership skills to use while working with other teens to support the goals and efforts of SCFD. This includes their primary purpose of preservation of visual arts, performing arts, cultural history, natural history, and natural sciences. Students currently in grades 9th-11th are welcome to apply, as well as current 8th graders who will be in 9th grade during the 2020-2021 school year. This application is due by July 18th, 2020. If selected to interview, applicants must be available August 16th, 2020. Teens can apply here.

Calling all arts, culture and scientific non-profits

Do you know an arts, culture, or scientific organization that belongs in the SCFD family that isn't already? You can help us reach out to them to give them more information about applying for eligibility now. This process is open now through the fall. Share with them this link to our website to help them see if their organization might be a good fit.

COVID-19-Related Resources in Colorado

During this difficult time, it's important to stay connected to resources that can help you and your organization. Here are some options for finding what you need:

- <u>Help Colorado Now</u> includes opportunities to request funding for organizations in need of support
- SCFD has a small list of resources for food and other assistance
- CBCA has <u>an extensive list of resources</u> to support working artists and organizations
- The Colorado Department of Labor and Employment has resources to support both newly unemployed individuals as well as businesses. The new federal stimulus package includes opportunities for self-employed individuals to apply for unemployment.
- The Office of Economic Development and International Trade<u>has</u> resources for small businesses and non-profits. You can also join regional webinars to support you in learning more about resources available.



As we begin the long road to recovery, some organizations have been able to find ways to continue to provide free days for the community. We'd like to support those efforts by providing this information to the community as we have in the past. If your organization is fortunate enough to be able to provide this resource, please take a moment and enter that information into our free days calendar Our hope is to make that calendar live again in August 2020 to help the community reconnect with all that we have to offer.

Community bulletin board offers connections

The SCFD community bulletin board is a place where organizations can share space and other resources within the SCFD family of organizations. <u>Maybe you have a venue that others could use</u>. <u>Maybe you need access to materials that other organizations have</u>. You can post what you have to offer or what you need on our community bulletin board. Here's one current posting:

 Partner with Levitt Pavilion for your Event-- Levitt Pavilion, a nonprofit amphitheater in Southwest Denver, has been dedicated to increasing access to the arts, and building community through music, by producing 50 free concerts annually, since opening in 2017. However, this year (2020), the Coronavirus pandemic has forced the organization to cancel/postpone all May-July concerts. Due to the overwhelming size of the pavilion's bowl, and the fact that it is an outdoor venue, Levitt is hopeful that no matter what attendance restrictions look like, there will be ways to utilize the space while still practicing "social distancing." Due to the pavilion's unique advantages, we are reaching out to all SCFD organizations to offer our facilities as a potential space to use for any manner of events or performances that may be difficult to produce in smaller, indoor spaces. In addition being an outdoor venue with vast size, Levitt also holds several unused permits that can be given to existing SCFD organizations free of charge. While some production costs will still exist, Levitt is willing to offer these free permits, in addition to staff time, to partner with minded organizations to produce and conceptualize events of all kinds. If you are interested in using Levitt for your organization please contact andy@levittdenver.org to tell them about your event.

SCFD offices reopen for limited in-person hours

As we begin to flatten the curve on the coronavirus in Colorado, the SCFD will reopen its office for limited, in-person hours. We will continue to practice social distancing by largely working remotely, but you'll be able to find us in our office at 1047 Santa Fe Drive in Denver in person on Mondays from 8 a.m. - 6p.m. by appointment only. Our new operating hours are Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.



News from the Board

The SCFD Board of Directors oversees the operation of the district as well as all fund distributions.

• The next board meeting will be held at 1 p.m. on July 23. Directions for joining the virtual meeting will be posted ahead of the meeting.

Full board meeting minutes as well as resolutions and the annual calendar are always available on the SCFD website.

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