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UPDATES FOR FUNDED ORGS

Tier I Presentations to the Board

Tier I organizations are reminded that certification presentations to the SCFD Board of Directors will be on Thursday, May 23, 2019, at Denver Zoo.



Tier II Qualification & Certification



Tier II organizations must submit their qualification and certification reports by the following dates:

Tier II Qualification:

4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 22, 2019

Tier II Certification:

4 p.m. on Wednesday, July 3, 2019

The 2019 income threshold for all organizations to qualify for Tier II is \$1,695,039.78.

Tier III Grant Interviews and Allocations

Tier III grant interviews are well underway! These interviews are highly encouraged or required depending on the county. If you have any questions about your interview please contact the

appropriate [County Liaison](#).

County Cultural Councils will be holding meetings determining organization allocations during the months of May and June.

To view the Tier III calendar for dates, times and locations click [here](#).

The SCFD staff would also like to thank all of the Cultural Council members for their hard work and the countless hours they dedicate to evaluating grants and conducting interviews. These volunteer council members are invaluable to the grant process.



Resources for organizations

Collaboration and resource sharing is encouraged within the SCFD family. To support this effort, we'll provide brief mentions of resources organizations might be interested in learning about. If you would like your organization featured in this section, send an email to scfd@scfd.org.

Engage Empower Connect



The Engage Empower Connect Summit is around the corner, make sure to save the date!

SCFD and the Denver Botanic Gardens come together to host the third summit on Friday, September 13, 2019.

The summit will once again include panel sessions and will be a great opportunity to network with individuals from our region.

Stay tuned for registration and event details coming soon!

Nonprofit Pathway



Build your skills. Expand your networks. Increase your impact.

Become a 2019-2020 SCFD Scholar! Announcing scholarships to attend the 2019-2020 [Nonprofit Pathway](#) program at Red Rocks Community College.

Employees or high-level volunteers of SCFD Tier III organizations are eligible to apply. Applications are strongly encouraged from individuals who identify as belonging to communities currently underrepresented in the nonprofit workforce.

The Nonprofit Pathway at Red Rocks Community College is a nonprofit management certificate that can be completed in one year focusing on one course at a time. Applications for scholarships to attend the 2019-2020 academic program are being accepted through May 31, 2019. Applications and program information can be found [HERE](#).

About the scholarship - The purpose of the scholarship is to build the capacity of SCFD Tier III organizations to pursue their mission by supporting professional development. The scholarship covers approximately 90% of the program tuition and fees.

Scholarship funding is provided by the [Special District Association](#) and [Denver Arts & Venues](#), in partnership with [Scientific and Cultural Facilities District \(SCFD\)](#).

Questions? Kristin Aslan, Nonprofit Pathway Program Director, kristin.aslan@rrcc.edu.

Popsicle's Partner

Americans for the Arts



This year the 2019 Americans for the Arts Annual Convention heads to the Twin Cities in Minnesota. The conference will be June 13-16, 2019. Connect with influential arts leaders, learn from the great speakers lined up and take part in engaging sessions.

Learn more and register [here!](#)

Scientific & Cultural Collaborative Explorable places

EXPLORABLE PLACES

All SCFD Tier III Organizations can sign up for a freebasic listing that includes a 100-word description, a photo and 7 filter key words. Click [here](#) to sign up.

Scientific and Cultural Collaborative fuels efforts to connect classrooms with arts, culture, and science education.

Connecting teachers with opportunities to bring arts, culture, and science education to their students and classrooms is the focus of a new program by the Scientific and Cultural Collaborative.

The effort, called [Explorable Places](#), seeks to provide teachers with an easy way to search for and connect with arts and culture education opportunities for their students. Additionally, the program [provides arts, culture, and science organizations a platform to provide their educational offerings](#) to teachers.

The program is a two-year pilot project focused on making it easier for educational connections to be made and for teachers to better connect with the vast array of programs, assemblies, field trips, and workshops available through the arts and culture community.

[Visit Explorable Places here!](#)

DISTRICT ANNOUNCEMENT

Longtime Arts, Science and Culture Champion Retiring



After decades of dedicated service, Charlotte D'Armond Talbert, Coordinator of Scientific and Cultural Collaborative, will leave her role with the organization. The collaborative provides coordinated opportunities for engagement and collaboration for organizations funded by the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District. Charlotte's leadership in the collaborative helped Metro Denver's science, art and cultural landscape to flourish. The entire SCFD family wishes her well in her new adventure.

Call for Free and Low Cost Cultural Opportunities

As we continue to think about ways we can better quantify the impact arts and culture funding has on our communities, the SCFD is interested in gathering additional information about free and no-cost programs offered by your organization.

While we highlight free days, we have little information on other programs that allow individuals from across the socioeconomic spectrum to enjoy experiences within their budget, such as culture passes or other opportunities. Please take a moment and let us know how your organization supports great experiences for all our Metro area residents. Email your information to scfd@scfd.org.



NEWS FROM THE BOARD

The SCFD Board of Directors held their April meeting in Broomfield.

Highlights from the meeting include:

- Updates on the SCFD Rebranding
- Presentation from Red Rock Community College Scholarship recipients
- Presentation on the 2020 census

You can read the full March meeting minutes on the SCFD [website](#).

Thanks to Broomfield Dance for hosting the board meeting. Heidi Thomas, Artistic Director, informed the board that Broomfield Dance was started by Jane Spain in 1961. They offer ballet, jazz, tap, as well as adult classes. They also provide 5-6 free dance classes to underserved families. Learn more about Broomfield Dance [here](#).



The next SCFD Board meeting will be held at Denver Zoo, 2300 Steele St Denver, CO 80205.

For a full calendar click [here](#).

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