SCFD is the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District, a tax collected and distributed to nearly 300 cultural organizations in our seven-county Denver metro region. Culture creates vibrancy for us individually and collectively. It gives our kids a unique perspective and understanding of the world. It inspires all of us to get off the couch, discover the radical and the beautiful, and stretches our capacity to be transformed. Through our diverse, local culture, we come together, we come to new ideas, we come to our senses. Beginning with taxpayers and with the expert shepherding of the SCFD, our collective mission is simple: We fund culture.

**WHAT IS IT AND HOW DOES IT WORK?**

- 1 cent in sales tax on $10 spent goes to the district
- $74 million in 2021 - supported nearly 300 organizations of all sizes in all seven district counties
- SCFD is the only cultural funding model in the nation that serves a region of seven counties.

**WHAT’S THE IMPACT?**

- 13,392 creative sector jobs*
- 4 million children engaged*
- 300+ organizations funded
- 15 million people served*
- 30+ years of voter approval
- $2.3 billion in economic activity*
- 100+ cultural events are free or reduced price
- $64 million in stabilizing funding during pandemic shutdown in 2020

*2019 Data

Learn more at scfd.org
2019 was the second highest attendance recorded in SCFD history at just over 16M connections.

Due to the pandemic total attendance in 2020 dropped to 9.4M, the lowest since 1997. However, organizations found creative ways to still connect virtually and most of it was free!

Attendance began to rebound in 2021 with just over 11M connections.

Youth Attendance

Geographic Attendance

- SCFD District
- CO w/o SCFD
- US w/o CO
- International
- Unknown