

CULTURAL FACILITIES PROGRAM

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Cultural Facilities Program provides capital project funding for acquisition, construction and renovation of a cultural facility (not for library or historic restoration projects). The projects must be beyond the early planning stages, as funding is not intended for feasibility studies or architectural drawings.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Municipal and county governments and not-for-profit corporations (active status under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and 501(c)(3) or (4) Internal Revenue Service designation required).

TYPE OF ASSISTANCE

Grants.

AVAILABLE FUNDING

Up to \$500,000 per year; no more than \$1.5 million may be received within five consecutive state fiscal years.

SOURCE OF FUNDS

Annual state legislative appropriations.

APPLICATION PROCESS/DEADLINES

Funding for 2008-09 applications were not funded by the Florida Legislature. The deadline for 2009-10 applications is July 14, 2008. For more information about the Cultural Facilities Program and to submit applications, visit www.florida-arts.org.

MATCHING/OTHER REQUIREMENTS

A \$2 match for every \$1 grant requested; at least 50 percent of the match must be cash. A 1:1 match is available under certain circumstances. For projects other than acquisition, the applicant must have "undisturbed use" of the subject property for at least the next 10 years. The "value" of the lease cannot be used as match. Record a Restrictive Covenant that will run with the property and assure that the building will continue to be used as a cultural facility for at least 10 years.

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