

Senator Kevin Sparks

Texas Senate District: 31



Arts and Cultural Grants

Listed by Texas Senate District

Fiscal Year 2025

Amarillo Art Institute

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$7,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$3,000**

To support two world-renowned photography exhibitions by the National Geographic Society for students in Panhandle schools.

Amarillo Little Theatre

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$11,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$5,000**

To support marketing efforts for the production of Dreamgirls, the hit musical inspired by Motown and rhythm-and-blues legends of the 1960-70s, attracting audiences to Amarillo.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$1,400**

Artistic fee subsidy for Kamica King to perform at Amarillo Little Theatre Mainstage in Amarillo, 05/04/25 - 05/04/25.

Amarillo Museum of Art

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$3,500**

To support the Museum in Residence program providing comprehensive arts experiences for K-2nd grade students at Wolflin Elementary and Hamlet Elementary in the Amarillo Independent School District.

Amarillo Opera

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Amarillo Symphony

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$14,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$6,500**

To support the premiere of a new composition, selected from works submitted by university students, at the Globe-News Center in Amarillo.

Arts Respond Education **\$4,500**

To support a production of 'Peter and the Wolf' as part of Kinderkonzerts, a series of educational field trip concerts at the Globe-News Center for the Performing Arts geared towards kindergarten through second grade students.

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$14,000**

To support The Greater Southwest Music Festival, which provides K-12 grade students with performance and competition events across three days at venues in Amarillo's Cultural District.

Amarillo Youth Choirs

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$3,000**

To support a series of interactive educational concerts for elementary schools in Amarillo.

Andrews County Library

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$333**

Artistic fee subsidy for Bernadette Nason to perform at Andrews County Library in Andrews, 10/28/24 - 10/28/24.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$375**

Artistic fee subsidy for Lucas Miller, the Singing Zoologist, to perform at James Roberts Center in Andrews, 06/09/25 - 06/09/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$346**

Artistic fee subsidy for Bernadette Nason to perform at Andrews County Library in Andrews, 07/15/25 - 07/15/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$450**

Artistic fee subsidy for Goodhearted Entertainment to perform at the Community Building in Andrews, 07/22/25 - 07/22/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$247**

Artistic fee subsidy for Magic in the Library to perform at James Roberts Center in Andrews, 06/19/25 - 06/19/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$471**

Artistic fee subsidy for David Cox, Rhythm Path Interactive Drumming, to perform at the Community Building in Andrews, 06/25/25 - 06/25/25.

Arts Council of Midland

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$6,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Big Spring Symphony Association

Arts Respond Education **\$3,000**

To support the educational concert 'The Carnival of the Animals,' featuring the famous work by French composer Camille Saint-Saens, for elementary students in Howard County.

Citadelle Art Foundation

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$23,800**

To support Spirit of our Ancestors, an exhibition featuring paintings and beadwork by nationally-recognized contemporary Native American artists, in the Canadian Cultural District.

Dawson County Public Library

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$425**

Artistic fee subsidy for Lucas Miller, the Singing Zoologist, to perform at Dawson County Public Library in Lamesa, 06/03/25 - 06/03/25.

Ector County Library

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$333**

Artistic fee subsidy for Bernadette Nason to perform at Ector County Library in Odessa, 10/29/24 - 10/29/24.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$337**

Artistic fee subsidy for Lucas Miller, the Singing Zoologist, to perform at Ector County Library in Odessa, 06/09/25 - 06/09/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$346**

Artistic fee subsidy for Bernadette Nason to perform at Ector County Library in Odessa, 07/16/25 - 07/16/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$587**

Artistic fee subsidy for Goodhearted Entertainment to perform at Ector County Library in Odessa, 07/21/25 - 07/21/25.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$834**

Artistic fee subsidy for Brave Little Company to perform at Ector County Library in Odessa, 06/24/25 - 06/24/25.

Ellen Noel Art Museum of the Permian Basin

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$3,000**

To support Fine Arts Connection, an educational museum tour with hands-on activities for K-12th grade students across the Permian Basin.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$500**

Artistic fee subsidy for Pots-n-Prints to perform at the Ellen Noel Art Museum in Odessa, 09/28/24 - 09/28/24.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$3,500**

To support the Teen Artist Residency Program and Art2Go summer programs that provide instruction and workshops for at-risk youth in Odessa.

Hispanic Cultural Center of Midland

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$10,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Education **\$6,500**

To support a multidisciplinary celebration of the history of Cinco de Mayo for K-12th grade students in Midland and the surrounding areas.

Hoodoo Art Foundation

Cultural District Project - High Quality Arts Programming **\$33,277**

To support the HOODOO Mural Festival, a day of celebration involving live music, children's activities, a silent disco, and vendors, in the Amarillo Cultural Arts District.

La Rita Performing Arts Theater

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$7,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$5,100**

Artistic fee subsidy for The Grand Ol' Production Company to perform at La Rita Performing Arts Theatre in Dalhart, 10/19/24 - 10/19/24.

Lone Star Ballet

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$3,000**

To support a production of 'The Nutcracker,' to attract holiday audiences from the Texas Panhandle, New Mexico, and Oklahoma to Amarillo.

Midland Community Theatre

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$10,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Public Safety & Criminal Justice **\$5,500**

To support producing a series of educational events designed to inspire artistic thought and creativity in children of lower economic households.

Museum of the Southwest

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$8,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Odessa Council for the Arts & Humanities

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$9,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$3,000**

To support Literary Death Match, a live game show-style event that brings together authors, poets, and a host to compete through the reading of original selections, attracting visitors to the Copper Rose Building in downtown Odessa.

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$3,900**

Artistic fee subsidy for Dallas Black Dance Theatre to perform at the Ector Theatre in Odessa, 06/19/25 - 06/19/25.

Panhandle Plains Historical Society

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$5,500**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Arts Respond Economic Development **\$2,000**

To support the Regional Art Faculty Show held in Canyon, highlighting the creative practices of post-secondary art faculty from throughout the region.

Reagan County/Public Library

Arts Respond Performance Support **\$247**

Artistic fee subsidy for Magic in the Library to perform at Reagan County 4-H Center in Big Lake, 06/17/25 - 06/17/25.

UT Permian Basin/Pots-n-Prints

Commission Initiative - Rural Tour **\$5,000**

Support for this Texas Touring Roster artist to give five performances in Yoakum, Terry, and/or Gaines counties.

Window on a Wider World (formerly Globe News PA)

Arts Create - Operational Support **\$11,000**

To advance the creative economy of Texas by investing in the operations of this arts organization.

Number of Awards: 50

Award Total: \$277,808

