



MISSOULA DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION
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Local Media, Arts Organizations & Artists

DOWNTOWN ARTS & CULTURE IMPACT GRANTS OPEN FOR 2024 PROJECTS

The Missoula Downtown Foundation is now accepting applications for the Downtown Arts & Culture Impact Grants, which pair artists with building owners and spaces for impactful art projects in Downtown Missoula.

The Arts & Culture Impact Grant Program utilizes private resources to support the beautification, historical preservation, and general livability of Downtown Missoula. The Missoula Downtown Foundation supports placemaking projects that celebrate Downtown Missoula as the cultural center of our community. Individuals, organizations, or private entities are invited to apply for funding to help beautify Downtown Missoula. Grants are intended to:

- Make Downtown Missoula better for future generations
- Support the cultural, social, and economic uniqueness that is Downtown Missoula
- Create long-lasting positive change in Downtown Missoula
- Complete projects within six months
- Complete projects that are inclusive of all individuals

Proposals should comply with the goals of the Downtown Master Plan, the North Riverside Parks & Trails Plan, and/or the Missoula Heritage Interpretive Plan. The Foundation has allocated \$15,000 for up to three projects for 2024. The deadline for 2024 applications is Thursday, Feb. 29, 2024.

“The Missoula Downtown Foundation exists to support and promote the spirit and heritage of Missoula through cultural, historical and economic enhancement of Downtown Missoula,” said Travis Neil, incoming President of the Missoula Downtown Foundation Board of Directors and project manager for Dick Anderson Construction. “The Foundation is dedicated to placemaking and beautifying Downtown Missoula with more and larger artwork.”

Last year the Arts & Culture Impact Grants funded Tanya Lee’s “Greetings from Missoula” mural on the Grizzly Hackle Building, as well as the Missoula Art Museum’s Teen Art project in the alley adjacent to Office City.

“We had ten great applications last year,” said Neil, “and we’re excited to partner with artists and building owners for more projects in 2024.

For more information on the Downtown Arts & Culture Impact Grants, visit

<https://www.missouladowntown.com/missoula-downtown-foundation/grants/> or contact the Downtown Missoula Partnership staff via phone (406-543-4238) or email (info@missouladowntown.com).

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