

# Louisiana Culture Care Fund 2025

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## *Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities*

### *Louisiana Culture Care Fund 2025 Grants Overview*

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The **Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities (LEH)**, with the support of the State of Louisiana, is offering **Louisiana Culture Care Fund (LCCF)** grants to cover general operating expenses for humanities-based organizations. Allowable costs must clearly support general operating expenses in one or more of the following categories: **(1) Strategic Planning, (2) Sustaining Operations, (3) Capacity Building.**

**Eligibility:** Organizations must be humanities-based nonprofits operating within the sixty-four parishes of Louisiana with 501(c)(3) status; public-facing organizations operating within accredited institutions of higher learning; state and local government agencies; or state and federally recognized Native American tribal governments in Louisiana. Examples include: museums, historic sites, libraries, and archives, as well as the state's diverse array of humanities-focused media, festivals and more. Organizations reaching underserved populations are particularly encouraged to apply, but applications are welcome from across Louisiana regardless of an organization's size, audience, and location.

**Definition:** The NEH defines the humanities as including the fields of history, philosophy, literature, foreign languages, linguistics, comparative religion, ethics, archaeology, jurisprudence, art history, theory and criticism, and philosophical and historical approaches to social sciences. For more information about how the humanities are defined, visit [neh.gov/about](http://neh.gov/about).

## *I. Organization Information (16 Questions)*

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### **Organization Name\***

Name of Organization

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### **Type of Organization\***

Select the description that best fits your organization.

#### **Choices**

Archive

Arts-related Organization (including art museums)

Community Organization or Center

Cultural Heritage Organization

Festival

- Foundation
- Government - State or Local
- Higher Ed - Four-year College
- Higher Ed - Two-year College
- Higher Ed – Affiliates (Press, radio station, archive, library, etc.)
- Historical Site/House
- Historical Society
- Incarceration or Detention Facility
- Independent Research Library and Center
- Indigenous Tribal Organization or Community
- K–12 School or School System
- Media Organization
- Membership Organization or Association
- Museum – History
- Museum - Other
- Nature Center/Botanical Garden/Arboretum
- Other
- Public Library
- Social Services or Health Organization
- State or National Park

### Org. Type - Other

If you answered "Other" to the previous question, please use this field to explain:

*Character Limit: 250*

### Organization Summary\*

Please provide a brief history of the organization, including its **mission, staff size, and history of humanities programming.**

*The term “humanities” includes, but is not limited to, the study and interpretation of the following: language, both modern and classical; linguistics; literature; history; jurisprudence; philosophy; archaeology; comparative religion; ethics; the history, criticism and theory of the arts; those aspects of the social sciences which have humanistic content and employ humanistic methods; and the study and application of the humanities to the human environment with particular attention to reflecting our diverse heritage, traditions, and history and to the relevance of the humanities to the current conditions of national life.*

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### Estimated Annual Audience\*

On average, how many people does your organization reach from virtual and in-person programming each year?

*Character Limit: 250*

### Organization's Annual Operating Budget\*

Please list your annual general operating budget as reflected in your most recent form 990 (or equivalent).

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### **Authorizing Official\***

Please enter the name of the Authorizing Official for your organization. This person must be authorized to sign grant agreements.

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### **Authorizing Official Email\***

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### **Primary Contact\***

This individual will be considered the primary contact for all grant communications and is responsible for completing all required materials, including a final report.

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### **Primary Contact Email\***

*Character Limit: 100*

### **Primary Contact Phone Number\***

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### **Organization Form 990 Upload\***

Please upload your most recently filed Form 990. If your organization is not a 501(c)(3), please submit last IRS return.

*File Size Limit: 2 MB*

### **Proof of Nonprofit Status\***

Please upload your organization's IRS determination letter or equivalent.

*501(c)(3) tax exempt-status, public-facing organizations operating within accredited public and 501(c)(3) institutions of higher education, state and local governmental agencies, and state and federally recognized Native American tribal governments are eligible to receive state funds.*

If organization is a public library, upload a copy of the organization's tax exemption certificate (form R-1056)

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### **Tax ID Number\***

Please provide your organization's tax ID number.

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### **SAM.gov Unique Entity Identifier\***

Please enter the applicant organization's SAM.gov UEI number. If you have applied for one, but have not yet received it, please enter **PENDING** in this field and include your DUNS Number for

the interim.

*All nonprofit entities seeking grants from the Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities must have a Unique Entity Identifier (UEI) in SAM.gov. Put simply, a UEI is a validation that your entity is what you say it is: a unique organization with its own physical address.*

*If your entity does not have a UEI, you can apply for one easily here.  
If you have questions about this requirement or process, please email Erin Voisin at [voisin@leh.org](mailto:voisin@leh.org).*

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## DUNS Number

If you have applied for a SAM.gov UEI, but your approval is currently pending, please include your nine-digit Data Universal Number System (DUNS) Number in the interim.

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## W-9 Form\*

Successful applicants will need to be entered into the LEH accounting system. To expedite this process, please upload a completed W-9 form, available here.

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## II. Location (5 Questions)

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### Parish\*

Please select the parish where your organization is located.

#### Choices

Acadia  
Allen  
Ascension  
Assumption  
Avoyelles  
Beauregard  
Bienville  
Bossier  
Caddo  
Calcasieu  
Caldwell  
Cameron  
Catahoula  
Claiborne  
Concordia  
DeSoto  
East Baton Rouge  
East Carroll

East Feliciana  
Evangeline  
Franklin  
Grant  
Iberia  
Iberville  
Jackson  
Jefferson  
Jefferson Davis  
Lafayette  
Lafourche  
LaSalle  
Lincoln  
Livingston  
Madison  
Morehouse  
Natchitoches  
Orleans  
Ouachita  
Plaquemines  
Pointe Coupee  
Rapides  
Red River  
Richland  
Sabine  
St. Bernard  
St. Charles  
St. Helena  
St. James  
St. John  
St. Landry  
St. Martin  
St. Mary  
St. Tammany  
Tangipahoa  
Tensas  
Terrebonne  
Union  
Vermilion  
Vernon  
Washington  
Webster  
West Baton Rouge  
West Carroll  
West Feliciana  
Winn

## Region\*

For LEH purposes, geographic regions are categorized as follows:

**Northeast** (Caldwell, East Carroll, Franklin, Madison, Morehouse, Ouachita, Richland, Tensas, Union, West Carroll Parishes)

**Northwest** (Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, De Soto, Jackson, Lincoln, Natchitoches, Red River, Webster, Winn Parishes)

**Central** (Avoyelles, Catahoula, Concordia, Grant, La Salle, Rapides, Sabine, Vernon Parishes)

**Southeast** (Ascension, Assumption, East Baton Rouge, East Feliciana, Jefferson, Iberville, Lafourche, Livingston, Orleans, Plaquemines, Pointe Coupee, St. Bernard, St. Charles, St. Helena, St. James, St. John the Baptist, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa, Terrebonne, Washington, West Baton Rouge, West Feliciana Parishes)

**Southwest** (Acadia, Allen, Beauregard, Calcasieu, Cameron, Evangeline, Jefferson Davis, Iberia, Lafayette, St. Landry, St. Martin, St. Mary, Vermilion Parishes)

### Choices

Northeast  
Northwest  
Central  
Southeast  
Southwest

## U.S. Congressional District\*

Please list your organization's U.S. Congressional District. You can locate who your district's representative is here.

### Choices

District 1: Steve Scalise  
District 2: Troy Carter  
District 3: Clay Higgins  
District 4: Mike Johnson  
District 5: Julia Letlow  
District 6: Garret Graves

## LA House District\*

Visit the [website](#) of the Louisiana Legislature to identify the appropriate state representative for your organization's physical address.

### Choices

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LA House District 3  
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## LA Senate District\*

Visit the website of the Louisiana Legislature to identify the appropriate state representative for your organization's physical address.

### Choices

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### III. General Operating Funds (6 Questions)

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#### Project Name\*

Please title the name of your project as follows, inserting your organization's name where indicated - **Name of Organization: LCCF 2025**

*Character Limit: 100*

#### Requested Amount\*

**Cost share is not required for LCCF grants.** Award amounts will be based on an organization's annual operating budget. Select the appropriate award amount for your organization, based on the following annual operating budget criteria:

- Organizations with annual operating budgets under \$100,000 can request \$5,000.
- Organizations with annual operating budgets between \$100,000 and \$999,999 can request \$10,000.
- Organizations with annual operating budgets of \$1 million or greater can request \$15,000.

#### Choices

\$5,000

\$10,000

\$15,000

#### Operating Category\*

Select one or more of the following categories for which funds will be used:

#### Choices

Strategic Planning

Sustaining Operations

Capacity Building

#### Use of Funds\*

If awarded, how will your organization utilize the Louisiana Culture Care Fund Grant? Please check all that apply.

#### Choices

Hiring consultants

Professional development/training

Staff time/retention/hiring (salaries, wages, and benefits)

Rent

Mortgage

Insurance

Utilities

Other

#### If other, please explain.

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**Impact\***

Please provide a brief statement describing how a Louisiana Culture Care Fund Grant will help your organization sustain the humanities in your community.

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**Additional Comments**

Please leave any additional comments for the review committee to consider in this space. If you have additional forms to upload, please do so here.

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***IV. Grant Opportunity Awareness (1 Question)***

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**Access to Application\***

From what source did you learn about this grant opportunity? (Select all that apply)

**Choices**

- 64 Parishes (Print or Digital)
- Email from Grants Program Officer
- From Previous Applicants
- Legislators
- LEH Newsletter
- News Media Outlets
- Organization Newsletter (Other than LEH)
- Other (please specify in space provided)
- Professional Development
- Social Media
- Through Grant Search Tools
- Website
- Word of Mouth

**Access to Application**

If you answered "Other" to the above question, please use this space to specify.

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***V. Authorization and Certification***

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**Electronic Signature\***

The applicant organization assumes all responsibilities as grantee and may not operate simply as the fiscal agent for the project. In signing and submitting a Grant application, the authorizing official certifies that the applicant organization will ensure that the acceptance paperwork and required reports are submitted on time and will comply with the certifications listed below.

LEH is required to ask each applicant for certification of compliance with nondiscrimination

statutes, debarment, and suspension. By signing and submitting this form, the organization's authorizing official is providing these certifications.

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Nondiscrimination Statutes and Regulations:

(a.) Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000 et seq.), which provides that no person shall, on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity for which the applicant received federal financial assistance;

(b.) Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended (29 U.S.C. 794), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of handicap in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance;

(c.) Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, as amended (20 U.S.C. 1681 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex in education programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance;

(d.) The Age Discrimination Act of 1975, as amended (42 U.S.C. 6106 et seq.), which prohibits discrimination on the basis of age in programs and activities receiving federal financial assistance, except that actions which reasonably take age into account as a factor necessary for the normal operation or achievement of any statutory objective of the project or activity shall not violate this statute; and

(e.) The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990.

Certification regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion (45 CFR 1169):

(a.) The applicant organization certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals are presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this transaction by any federal department or agency;

(b.) Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in the certification, such prospective participant shall attach an explanation to this proposal.