2015-2016 National Endowment for the Arts Florida Partnership Grant Details

2015 – 2016 NEA BLOCK GRANT ALLOCATED TO WHOM:	NEA Partnership Block Grant Allocations for Florida:	2015 – 2016 NEA SPECIAL FLORIDA PROJECTS DESCRIPTIONS
Florida Division of Cultural Affairs	\$524,353	Supports 10 full-time staff positions for Florida's state arts agency
VSA Florida, Inc.	\$5,000	VSA will select up to ten individuals from arts and cultural organizations across the state to attend the Leadership Exchange in Arts and Disability Conference during August 2015. The conference takes place at The Kennedy Center in Washington, DC. The individuals that VSA chooses will be conference "first-timers."
Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics, Inc.	\$20,000	This allocation will support a partnership to explore and establish indicators and metrics for Healthy Communities. The Division will work with Shands Teaching Hospital and Clinics in addition to other partners at the University of Florida to develop these metrics as a way to measure the effectiveness and impact of programming on Florida communities. This ties in with the Division's new strategic plan and goal to promote healthy, vibrant and thriving communities.
Florida Association of Museums Foundation	\$22,000	This project supports the Florida Association of Museums Foundation (FAMF) mentorship program for professional development and to attend the annual Florida Art Museum Conference. It offers professional development stipends to attend the Conference in three areas: new professional, student in museum studies, and museum staff stipend. This ongoing program enables an average of 250 individuals from 100 Florida organizations to attend the conference and receive mentorship and professional development support; FAMF provides an average of 21 professional development stipends. The conference format encourages peer-to-peer networking and opportunities to discuss specific areas of interest and concern with Florida Association of Museum (FAM), FAMF board members, and other experienced professionals. \$10,000 of this grant is intended to be used for capacity building programs, including mentoring and workshops, for local community cultural heritage organizations.

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Citizens for Florida Arts, Inc.	\$35,000	This funding will support three professional development opportunities for Florida artists. There will be two, one-day workshops on topics such as Community Engagement and Marketing and one intensive, core two-day workshop opportunity. These workshops will give artists tools to further their work and creative careers. This allocation also includes funding for local hosts of the workshop programs to reinvest in webinars or other professional development programs of their own for artists residing in their communities.
Florida Humanities Council	\$17,500	Funds will be used to support the expenses for this annual statewide high school poetry recitation competition, an initiative of the National Endowment for the Arts. The event will be coordinated and hosted by the Florida Humanities Council in Tampa.
Citizens for Florida Arts, Inc.	\$56,950	As part of the Strategic Plan Action Plan, funds will be used to support the expenses for administering an awards program that promotes Diversity and Inclusion; present speakers at the statewide Cultural Convening conference; and contract with Americans for the Arts to gather statewide data related to the economic impact of arts and culture in Florida. The Division will partner with other Florida arts and cultural organizations to gather comprehensive data for economic report to be published by Americans for the Arts.