



News and Information for the SCFD Family

- **Tier I Certification Reports**

Annual reports are due at 4 p.m. on April 30. [You can see the directions for the report.](#) Or go directly to [the portal to submit.](#)

- **Tier II Annual Submission Workshops**

The annual submission workshop will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on April 28. [You can register here.](#)

- **Tier III Study Sessions**

All Tier III organizations are welcome to observe the Cultural Council study sessions. Participation is not compulsory. [You can learn more here.](#)

Support for our partnership

This year the SCFD has launched new systems to make it easier to interact with us on the grants you receive and the updates you provide. To make this transition as smooth as possible, we've begun adding additional information, tutorials, grants calendars, and other important information to pages dedicated to your tier of partnership with the district. If you have questions about process or technology, you're likely to find the answers here:

Tier I

Tier II

Tier III

CBCA Leadership Arts Board Fair

The annual Leadership Arts Board Fair is an opportunity for diverse arts and culture organizations to connect directly with CBCA's Leadership Arts alumni to start the conversation about volunteer and board service. Organizations must register to participate. Nonprofit registration closes on Wednesday, April 28. After a successful pivot to Zoom in 2020, the Board Fair will be entirely virtual again this year to ensure as many organizations and graduates as possible can take part. Each cultural nonprofit will be assigned their own virtual breakout room and attendees will rotate through the rooms for small group or one-on-one conversations. The event will be held from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19. [Learn more and register by April 28.](#)

Shuttered Venue Operators Grant applications to open April 8

The Shuttered Venue Operators (SVO) Grant program was established by the Economic Aid to Hard-Hit Small Businesses, Nonprofits, and Venues Act, signed into law on Dec. 27, 2020. The program includes \$15 billion in grants to shuttered venues, to be administered by the SBA's Office of Disaster Assistance. [You can use this link to register when applications open on April 8.](#)

Build your skills. Expand your networks. Increase your impact. Become a 2021-2022 Nonprofit Pathway Scholar!

The [Nonprofit Pathway](#) is a nonprofit management & leadership certificate that prepares students to launch or advance their nonprofit careers. [You can apply](#) for a scholarship to attend the 2021-2022 academic program. Application deadline is April 25, 2021. Applications are strongly encouraged from people who identify as belonging to an underrepresented community in the nonprofit workforce.

Grants for public school teachers now available

Adams, Boulder, Denver and Jefferson Counties K-12 Public School Teachers Alliance Project Grant for 2021-2022 School Year - Apply for a multi-year grant! Awards vary from \$2,000 up to \$10,000 worth of school programs from SCFD funded art, culture and science organizations in the Denver-metro area. Programs can include, as allowed by school district and in observance of pandemic protocols, in-person workshops, virtual live and pre-recorded programs, in-school exhibits, field trips, assemblies, and professional development opportunities for teachers. Eligibility: A strong, engaged team of interdisciplinary teachers from a K-12 Public or Charter school located in Adams, Boulder, Denver or Jefferson Counties. Schools are selected by county, not school district. The team from each school must identify one grade level to receive the grant (multiple grade levels are possible, so long as the cohort of students does not exceed 180.) For high school teachers, select your core group of class sections. Application deadline is May 3. [You can apply here.](#) For more information visit <https://collaborativescfd.org> or reach out to info@CollaborativeSCFD.org or 303.946.2089

The Collaborative is ready to support your Equity, Diversity, Inclusion & Access efforts

Please join the Collaborative for a free HR Series on Best Hiring Practices. All tiers and cultural partners are welcome to attend. Questions? Contact Jannett Matusiak info@collaborativescfd.org

Hiring Employees: Current CO Law and HR Best Practices

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Monday, April 1

Topic: Hear the about Colorado law updates that impact hiring in 2021 and best practices for compliance. We'll discuss how you can impact equity, diversity, and inclusion efforts with hiring practices and employee engagement. We will overview current legal requirements as it relates to talent acquisition, but our HR roundtables in May and June will cover writing job descriptions and interviewing in more in depth. **Presenter:** Nicole McGuire, Principal Consultant, Cura HR
Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89718917619?pwd=dTN1SEphRDVBMFRMeINPM1BKWksxdz09>

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Writing Job Descriptions

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 6

Topic: Hear from organizations on incorporating equity, diversity, inclusion and access in writing job descriptions. Discussion will include reassessing qualifications and requirements, incorporating inclusive language, diversifying job postings and more. Panelists include: Nicole McGuire, Principal Consultant, Cura HR, Manuel Aragon, Community Engagement Manager, Lighthouse Writers Workshop

and Johnny Humphrey, Director of Inclusivity Services, The Center on Colfax.

[Please register in advance for this meeting.](#)

Interviewing Best Practices

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 16

Topic: Hear from organizations incorporating equity, diversity, inclusion and access into interviewing job candidates and being prepared for inclusive hiring practices. Panelists include Nicole McGuire, Principal Consultant, Cura HR, Ed Nueberg, Training Facilitator, Rocky Mountain ADA and Johnny Humphrey, Director of Inclusivity Services, The Center on Colfax.

[Please register in advance for this meeting.](#)



Engage with Us

Our understanding of the natural world roots and connects us

As we look forward to celebrating Earth Day this month, we also celebrate the SCFD's funded partners who bring us natural sciences and natural history, connecting us all to the past, present and future of our natural world. [Meet our funded partners.](#)

Register your Free Days with us

If you have days, programs, or events to share with the public, you can submit them for inclusion on the SCFD website. As we work toward more normal operations across 2021, we are reactivating this calendar, typically the most visited page on our site.

[Submit your Free Days](#)



News from the Board

The SCFD Board of Directors oversees the operation of the district as well as all fund distributions.

- The next meeting of the SCFD Board of Directors will be held virtually at 1 p.m. on April 22. [Get more information for joining meetings and see the full calendar of 2021 board meetings.](#)



Marcela de la Mar, Board Secretary and Governor's Appointee

Marcela de la Mar is a widely recognized leader for her work with diverse communities across Colorado. Marcela recently stepped down from a 23-year tenure as the Executive Director of the Mexican Cultural Center where she oversaw the expansion of cultural programming to hundreds of thousands of Colorado residents. Her work in reinvesting in the Mexican community in Colorado earned The Mexican Cultural Center the 2017 Mayor's Award for Cultural Impact. Marcela has also maintained an active roster of boards on which she serves, including the Board of Governors of the Denver Zoo, the Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, and the Global Chamber Denver. Past board service has included the Emily Griffith Foundation, Museum of

Contemporary Art and the Denver Children’s Museum. She joined the board in May 2018. Her 1st term expires in May 2021.