



# SCFD

2014 REPORT TO THE COMMUNITY



Scientific  
& Cultural  
Facilities District  
CITIZENS MAKING IT POSSIBLE



Cherry Creek Arts Festival

## DISTRICT RESIDENTS,

If you ask someone who was here in 1982 to describe the region's cultural scene at the time, the answer would be "bleak." The largest cultural facilities had lost all state funding. The Art Museum, Zoo, Botanic Gardens and Museum of Nature and Science were struggling to meet the most basic operational and maintenance needs. Expansion was out of the question. Smaller cultural facilities were few and far between.

Fortunately, a group of visionaries came up with a solution. Create a cultural district within the metro counties. The Scientific and Cultural Facilities District (SCFD) would be funded by a modest tax – one-tenth of one cent on a \$10 purchase. The idea was both simple and revolutionary – but not all that easy to achieve. It took two attempts at the Legislature and countless hours of collaboration. But when the SCFD proposal went before voters in 1988, they said "yes" by a margin of three to one. The District has since been renewed by voters on two occasions by similar healthy margins.

The impact has been remarkable. With SCFD funding providing a base for maintenance and operations, the region's tier one institutions – now including DCPA – have been able to devote greater attention to the expansion of facilities and programs. Nationally (and internationally) recognized exhibits have become the norm. But there is much more to the story. The creation of SCFD led to a remarkable blossoming of mid-size and smaller facilities – tier twos and threes. Twenty-eight tier two organizations provide music, dance, theater, science and art sparking the imagination and helping our dreams take flight. Tier three is a similar success. Tier three is the essence of grassroots, locally-inspired creativity and ingenuity. Approximately 250 tier three organizations serve our citizens with every form of cultural and artistic experience.

In 1989, SCFD awarded \$13.8 million to member organizations. Fast forward to 2014 when \$52 million was awarded. One result – nearly all SCFD organizations provide free days that wouldn't be possible without SCFD support. SCFD also helps support free attendance for school children – 4.25 million in 2014 alone. So looking for one word to describe the region's cultural scene today, I would choose "thriving." And SCFD has played a critical role.

The SCFD Board is committed to making sure this vital community asset continues for another quarter century – and well beyond. We appreciate your support and pledge that your tax dollars will continue to be responsibly and conscientiously distributed for the benefit of everyone in the seven-county district.

*Dan Hopkins*  
Chairman of the Board



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# ENRICHING COMMUNITIES



Denver Center for the Performing Arts

IN 2014, ORGANIZATIONS FUNDED BY SCFD ENLIGHTENED & ENTERTAINED  
**13,188,573 VISITORS**

From a one penny on ten dollars voter-approved funding, the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District distributes grants to arts, science and cultural organizations throughout the Denver metropolitan area. SCFD serves a seven-county region comprised of Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Broomfield, Denver, Douglas and Jefferson counties, within which half of the population of Colorado resides. SCFD's funding has enabled the region to culturally flourish over the past 26 years. Initially funding approximately 160 organizations in 1989, SCFD distributed funds to 270 organizations in 2014. The metropolitan area is a vibrant creative community where citizens can enjoy world class performances or participate in free neighborhood events, and SCFD plays a vital role in making it all possible.

**4,338,578 PEOPLE ATTENDED FREE EVENTS**  
HOSTED BY SCFD FUNDED ORGANIZATIONS

## LEAN GOVERNMENT

99.25% of the revenue collected by SCFD goes to cultural programming, and in turn back to the citizens. With a staff of five and only 0.75% of the revenue collected allocated for administration, SCFD prides itself on keeping overhead low.

Throughout the years SCFD has been an excellent steward of public dollars. SCFD 2014 audited financials can be viewed on our website, [www.scfid.org](http://www.scfid.org).



# ENHANCING EDUCATION



Centro Cultural Mexicano

## 1,109,847 STUDENTS

EXPERIENCED CULTURAL PROGRAMMING THROUGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES IN 2014

SCFD's youngest audience is served through field trips to museums/cultural events, school assemblies, and classroom workshops. In 2014, SCFD funded organizations provided programming for all 19 school districts located within the boundaries of SCFD:

**ADAMS 1**

**ADAMS 12**

**ADAMS 14**

**ADAMS 27**

**ADAMS 50**

**ADAMS-ARAPAHOE 28J**

**ARAPAHOE 1**

**ARAPAHOE 5**

**ARAPAHOE 6**

**BENNETT 29J**

**BOULDER VALLEY RE2**

**BYERS 32J**

**DEER TRAIL 26J**

**DENVER 1**

**DOUGLAS COUNTY RE 1**

**JEFFERSON COUNTY R-1**

**SHERIDAN 2**

**ST. VRAIN**

**STRASBURG 31J**

## CREATING BRIGHT FUTURES

The Alliance Project Grant partners art, cultural and science organizations with teachers in creating curriculum and learning opportunities for students. Over the course of one year, approximately 25-30 performances, workshops, guest artists/scientists, and field trips are provided to supplement curriculum. The Alliance Project is funded by the Scientific & Cultural Collaborative utilizing funds from the Scientific & Cultural Facilities District. Since the program was created in 1995, 104 schools within the boundaries of SCFD have received in-depth cultural programming through the Alliance Project Grant.



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# HOW ARE THE FUNDS **USED?**

The SCFD funds are invested in 501(c)3 nonprofit organizations and agencies of local government whose primary purpose is to enlighten or entertain the public through art, music, dance, theatre, botany, zoology, natural history, or cultural history. Approximately 95% of SCFD funded organizations provide FREE programming, enhancing access to culture for all residents of the District.



Mizel Museum

## ART

\$36,817.00	Art from Ashes
\$79,409.00	Art Students League of Denver
\$6,400.00	ArtWalk Longmont
\$12,389.00	Asian Art Coordinating Council
\$750.00	ASIFA-Colorado
\$20,000.00	Boulder County Arts Alliance
\$56,383.00	Boulder Museum of Contemporary Art
\$5,000.00	Boulder Potters Guild
\$92,398.17	Cherry Creek Arts Festival
\$234,916.47	Clyfford Still Museum
\$25,000.00	Colorado Film Society
\$8,567.00	Colorado Folk Arts Council
\$22,881.00	Colorado Photographic Arts Center
\$3,104.47	CORE New Art Space
\$6,817,978.86	Denver Art Museum
\$553,856.99	Denver Film Society
\$126,800.00	Downtown Aurora Visual Arts
\$2,000.00	East Boulder County Artists
\$9,542.00	Firehouse Art Center
\$64,647.00	Foothills Art Center
\$17,996.00	Friends of Arts Street
\$35,000.00	Greenwood Village Arts & Humanities Council
\$2,500.00	Heritage Fine Arts Guild of Arapahoe County
\$12,000.00	Lafayette Cultural Arts Commission
\$9,414.00	Lakewood Arts Council
\$79,328.00	Lighthouse Writers Workshop
\$3,000.00	Louisville Art Association
\$6,289.00	Lower Downtown Denver Arts Association
\$87,793.00	Museo de las Americas
\$196,733.05	Museum of Contemporary Art Denver
\$80,000.00	Museum of Outdoor Arts
\$13,680.00	OpenArts



Downtown Aurora Visual Arts

# ART

CONTINUED

- \$4,233.49 Paletteers Art Club
- \$33,992.00 PlatteForum
- \$52,620.00 RedLine
- \$39,361.00 Rocky Mountain Quilt Museum
- \$7,000.00 Roxborough Arts Council
- \$12,421.00 Sculpture Evergreen
- \$2,347.00 TACtile Textile Arts Center
- \$7,180.00 Variety Arts of Louisville
- \$52,355.91 Very Special Arts of Colorado
- \$27,853.16 Westminster Community Artists Series

# BOTANY

- \$3,845,955.44 Denver Botanic Gardens
- \$100,422.00 Denver Urban Gardens
- \$281,303.31 Hudson Gardens

# CULTURAL HISTORY

- \$51,214.34 Adams County Historical Society
- \$43,359.00 Alliance Française de Denver
- \$21,120.00 Boulder History Museum
- \$34,093.00 Buffalo Bill Museum and Grave
- \$100,000.00 Cherokee Ranch & Castle Foundation
- \$15,680.00 Chicano Humanities & Arts Council
- \$539,580.86 Colorado Chautauqua Association
- \$73,191.00 Colorado Dragon Boat Festival
- \$287,099.55 Colorado Railroad Museum
- \$13,921.00 Colorado United Irish Societies
- \$9,680.00 Denver Architectural Foundation
- \$21,349.00 Denver Firefighters Museum
- \$32,951.00 Denver March Pow-Wow
- \$29,337.00 Denver Museum of Miniatures, Dolls & Toys
- \$6,918.00 Denver Rail Heritage Society
- \$7,260.00 Filipino-American Community of Colorado
- \$65,780.00 Four Mile Historic Park
- \$47,707.00 Golden History Museums
- \$6,471.00 Golden Landmarks Association
- \$18,650.00 Governor's Residence Preservation Fund
- \$6,500.00 Historic Boulder
- \$83,989.00 Historic Denver
- \$3,170.00 Lafayette Historical Society
- \$25,000.00 Longmont Museum
- \$3,837.00 Lyons Historical Society
- \$15,000.00 Menorah: Arts Culture & Education
- \$177,420.01 Mizel Museum
- \$2,500.00 Philippine American Society
- \$11,396.00 Shaolin Hung Mei Kung Fu Association
- \$59,090.00 Tesoro Foundation
- \$52,701.06 Westminster Area Historical Society
- \$281,535.20 Wings Over the Rockies Air & Space Museum

Denver Botanic Gardens



Colorado Chautauqua Association



Colorado Railroad Museum





# DANCE

\$7,482.00	7 Dancers
\$25,930.00	Ballet Ariel
\$1,600.00	Blue Moon Dance Company
\$37,287.00	Boulder Ballet
\$20,900.12	Broomfield Dance
\$158,631.00	Cleo Parker Robinson Dance
\$51,144.00	cmDance
\$609,281.67	Colorado Ballet
\$14,000.00	Danse Etoile Ballet
\$20,223.00	Fiesta Colorado
\$19,900.00	Frequent Flyers Productions
\$19,224.00	Hannah Kahn Dance Company
\$1,500.00	Helander Dance Theater
\$1,500.00	Interweave Dance Theatre of Boulder
\$99,168.00	Kim Robards Dance
\$900.00	Life/Art Dance Ensemble
\$2,061.00	Louder Than Words Dancetheatre
\$21,075.00	Mudra Dance Studio
\$10,979.00	Third Law Dance/Theatre
\$6,750.00	Turning Wheel Productions
\$167,524.50	Wonderbound

# MULTI-DISCIPLINE

\$4,400.00	Apex Arts & Humanities Agency
\$70,881.00	ArtReach
\$1,039,076.46	Arvada Center for Arts & Humanities
\$25,045.00	Brighton Cultural Arts Commission
\$25,000.00	Broomfield Council on Arts & Humanities
\$32,275.00	Center for Arts Evergreen
\$34,313.00	Centro Cultural Mexicano
\$830,358.58	Children's Museum of Denver
\$39,636.71	City & County of Broomfield, Cultural Affairs Division
\$249,110.71	City of Aurora Cultural Services Division
\$15,000.00	City of Englewood Cultural Arts Agency
\$25,000.00	Dairy Center for Arts
\$24,377.00	Foothills Park & Recreation District, Arts & Events Agency
\$96,790.00	Highlands Ranch Cultural Affairs Association
\$3,143.00	Ken Caryl Ranch Metropolitan District
\$248,451.84	Lakewood Heritage, Culture & Arts
\$156,018.84	Lone Tree Arts Center
\$17,000.00	Longmont Council for Arts
\$1,800.00	Louisville Cultural Council
\$365,922.77	Mizel Arts & Culture Center
\$94,809.75	Northglenn Arts & Humanities Foundation
\$12,000.00	Parker Arts Council
\$23,000.00	South Suburban Parks & Recreation District - Culture & Enrichment Division
\$88,487.00	Think 360 Arts Complete Education
\$38,391.96	Thornton Arts, Science & Humanities Council
\$162,876.51	Town of Parker Cultural Department
\$41,123.81	WOW! Children's Museum

# MUSIC

\$20,267.50	A Child's Song
\$4,031.00	American Guild of Organists
\$65,720.00	Arapahoe Philharmonic
\$7,500.00	Ars Nova Chamber Singers
\$13,080.00	Arvada Chorale Company
\$57,563.00	Augustana Arts
\$7,200.00	Aurora Singers
\$20,000.00	Aurora Symphony Orchestra
\$26,545.00	Baroque Chamber Orchestra
\$7,500.00	Boulder Bach Festival
\$12,700.00	Boulder Chorale
\$1,800.00	Boulder Concert Band
\$760.00	Boulder Friends of Jazz
\$32,000.00	Boulder Philharmonic Orchestra
\$3,075.23	Brightonmusic Choir & Orchestra
\$3,750.00	Broomfield Civic Orchestra
\$1,750.00	Cantabile Singers
\$398,898.66	Central City Opera
\$14,182.00	Chamber Music Society of Boulder
\$19,000.00	Cherry Creek Chorale
\$21,748.50	Colorado Chamber Players
\$151,132.29	Colorado Children's Chorale
\$4,352.00	Colorado Choir & Chorus Organization
\$12,000.00	Colorado Chorale
\$18,768.62	Colorado Conservatory for Jazz Arts
\$11,909.00	Colorado Friends of Old Time Music and Dance
\$7,867.00	Colorado Hebrew Chorale
\$35,152.00	Colorado Honor Band Association
\$6,500.00	Colorado Korean Chorus
\$8,000.00	Colorado MahlerFest
\$166,715.79	Colorado Music Festival & Center for Musical Arts
\$8,835.00	Colorado Repertory Singers
\$908,827.31	Colorado Symphony Association
\$15,576.00	Colorado Wind Ensemble
\$26,966.00	Colorado Youth Symphony
\$2,056.00	Columbine Chorale
\$106,754.00	Denver Brass
\$17,890.00	Denver Concert Band
\$5,852.00	Denver Junior Police Band
\$31,747.00	Denver Municipal Band
\$7,422.00	Denver Philharmonic Orchestra
\$94,755.00	Denver Young Artists Orchestra Association
\$22,000.00	Englewood Cultural Arts Center Association
\$172,036.77	eTown
\$4,418.00	Evergreen Chamber Orchestra Society
\$18,679.00	Evergreen Children's Chorale
\$38,125.00	Evergreen Chorale
\$19,786.00	Evergreen Jazz Festival
\$34,636.00	Friends of Chamber Music
\$3,586.00	Golden Chamber Choir



Denver Concert Band



The Hudson Gardens



Think 360 Arts Complete Education





\$9,063.50	Golden Eagle Concert Band
\$15,000.00	Greater Boulder Youth Orchestras
\$5,479.00	Harmony: A Colorado Chorale
\$8,000.00	Highlands Ranch Concert Band
\$49,495.00	Inside the Orchestra
\$48,270.00	Jefferson Symphony Association
\$27,031.00	Kantorei
\$10,336.00	Lakewood Symphony Orchestra
\$16,379.00	Littleton Chorale
\$23,600.00	Littleton Community Music Association
\$19,600.00	Littleton Symphony Orchestra
\$12,000.00	Lone Tree Symphony Orchestra
\$5,000.00	Longmont Chorale
\$1,140.00	Longmont Jazz Association
\$25,000.00	Longmont Symphony Orchestra
\$5,000.00	Longmont Youth Symphony
\$2,893.00	Lutheran Chorale
\$2,766.00	Mercury Ensemble
\$2,618.00	Mile High Freedom Band
\$2,381.00	Mostly Strauss Orchestra
\$391.00	Mountain Chamber Music Society
\$4,968.00	New Voices of Colorado
\$14,407.84	Northland Fine Arts Association
\$6,376.00	One World Singers
\$264,958.00	Opera Colorado
\$3,315.00	Paideia School
\$25,000.00	Parlando
\$6,793.00	Pro Musica Colorado Chamber Orchestra
\$26,253.00	Rocky Mountain Arts Association
\$8,998.68	Rocky Mountain Brassworks
\$44,656.00	Rocky Mountain Children's Choir
\$1,163.00	Rocky Mountain Ringers
\$17,679.00	Sound of the Rockies
\$12,200.00	South Suburban Community Orchestra
\$21,521.00	St Martin's Chamber Choir
\$502,456.20	Swallow Hill Music Association
\$3,607.00	The Playground Ensemble
\$23,975.05	The Spirituals Project
\$5,741.25	Thornton Community Band
\$6,000.00	Timberline Symphony Orchestra
\$23,914.00	Up Close and Musical
\$7,617.00	West Side Live! Presents
\$2,430.00	Wheat Ridge Community Chorale
\$81,347.00	Young Voices of Colorado

## ZOOLOGY

\$29,672.00	Audubon Society of Greater Denver
\$3,000.00	Boulder County Audubon Society
\$695,554.30	Butterfly Pavilion
\$7,934,124.22	Denver Zoo
\$15,321.00	Evergreen Naturalists Audubon Society
\$50,209.00	HawkQuest
\$249,662.93	Rocky Mountain Bird Observatory
\$26,028.00	Urban Farm at Stapleton

# THEATRE

\$2,380.00	Boulder Dinner Theatre Academy
\$16,500.00	Boulder Ensemble Theatre Company
\$18,500.00	Boulder International Fringe Festival
\$7,832.00	Bug Performance & Media Art Center
\$31,655.00	Buntport Theater Company
\$5,270.00	CenterStage Theatre Company
\$7,546.00	Cherry Creek Theatre
\$38,710.00	Christian Youth Theatre Denver
\$46,543.00	Conifer's StageDoor Theatre
\$58,856.00	Curious Theatre Company
\$5,950,593.16	Denver Center for the Performing Arts
\$33,251.00	Edge Theatre
\$3,065.00	Empire Lyric Players
\$40,974.00	Evergreen Players
\$16,453.00	Grand Design
\$21,111.00	Imagination Makers Unlimited
\$54,000.00	Littleton Town Hall Arts Center
\$31,390.00	Ignite Theatre
\$23,000.00	Magic Moments
\$53,643.00	Miners Alley Playhouse
\$24,871.00	Performance Now Theatre Company
\$122,076.00	Phamaly Theater Company
\$16,847.54	Platte Valley Players
\$3,120.00	Rocky Mountain Revels
\$37,643.00	Stories on Stage
\$78,171.00	Su Teatro
\$3,020.00	Theater Company of Lafayette
\$2,000.00	The Upstart Crow Theatre Company
\$80,500.00	Vintage Theatre Productions



Denver Museum of Nature and Science



Thorne Nature Experience



CenterStage Theatre Company

# NATURAL HISTORY

\$69,000.00	Bluff Lake Nature Center
\$11,900.00	City of Aurora - Open Space and Natural Resources Division
\$210,058.15	Colorado Mountain Club
\$8,182,883.90	Denver Museum of Nature & Science
\$89,052.00	Environmental Learning for Kids
\$114,985.72	Friends of Dinosaur Ridge
\$8,000.00	Lamb Spring Archaeological Preserve
\$9,962.00	Majestic View Nature Center
\$24,318.00	Morrison Natural History Museum
\$84,242.00	Plains Conservation Center
\$12,516.51	South Suburban Parks & Recreation District - Nature Programs
\$619,405.79	The Wildlife Experience
\$58,217.55	Thorne Nature Experience
\$25,000.00	Wild Bear Mountain Ecology Center



# THANK YOU

## COUNTY CULTURAL COUNCILS

The SCFD simply could not function without the seven County Cultural Councils, comprised of the 66 dedicated volunteers listed below. These cultural ambassadors are the funding bodies for SCFD's community-based grants providing funding to 240 grassroots level organizations in 2014. The county cultural council member is a volunteer position that is appointed by the county commissioners in Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Douglas, and Jefferson counties, or the city councils in Denver and Broomfield.

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