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Fairlee Community Arts Miranda Clemson PO Box 242 Fairlee, VT 05045

Dear Miranda,

Congratulations! On behalf of the board of trustees and the staff at the Council, I am pleased to inform you that Fairlee Community Arts has been awarded an Animating Infrastructure Public Art Combination Design and Implementation Grant to support to support the design and installation of public art that will transform an interstate underpass into a welcoming connection between commerce corridor and outdoor recreation assets. Your project is one of five outstanding community art projects to receive support from this program.

Due to the COVID-19 virus and the evolving guidance around "in-person" public gatherings, we encourage you to find creative ways to engage the community in the project that comply with CDC and State guidelines as appropriate. If you have any concerns about the original scope of work submitted in your application, please email your questions to Michele Bailey no later than June 1, 2021.

The attached final report is due thirty days after the completion of your project. Be sure to review it as soon as possible so that you are prepared to collect any data and photos or video of the project as it develops over the course of your timeline. Michele will be in touch with you in the coming weeks to share panel feedback and comments that may inform your project as well.

Please complete and send the attached contract and direct deposit agreement by email to Meredith Bell.

Grants will not require a match, but grantees will be responsible for any additional expenses above the grant amount. At least 80% of grant funds must be used to support artist honorariums/fees related to the design, and/or artist expenses for fabrication and/or installation of artwork. The remaining 20% of the funds may be used to support project management, community engagement activities, online application/software fees, space rentals, and/or community outreach. The Council can provide guidance to you in the artist selection process, as well as assistance in outreach to Vermont artists.



Integrating the arts into community projects can be powerful. One of our goals with this program is to document and understand both the processes and products of these projects so that we can share the successes and challenges with other communities and future grant applicants. Please keep Michele informed about public meetings or presentations with specific dates as they are known and to share your progress throughout the project.

If you have any questions about your grant or other resources that the Arts Council provides, please contact <u>Michele Bailey by email</u>. We thank you again for contributing to Vermont's rich cultural life, and look forward to seeing the results of your work in the community.

Sincerely,

Karen Mittelman
Executive Director