Quick Impact Placebased Grant (QuIP) $2,500 - 5,000 + Match

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Qualifying projects are inexpensive alterations to a public space.

Ideal projects

Include, but are not limited to: creative projects to showcase community identity or transformation; decoration of vacant store fronts; pop-up shop and public projects, gathering spots; project-based learning; alley activation; pocket parks; enhancement of existing or underutilized public assets into a new or usable space; interactive life-size games or public game sheds.

Funding Match

1:0.5 local match minimum is required.

- Can be a local cash or in-kind match or a combination of both.
- Federal and other state funds may not be used as local match.

Eligible Applicants:

- Local units of government,
- Community groups/organizations,
- Main Street organizations,
- Schools, of any level

Applicants must be:

- In good standing with the Indiana Secretary of State, the Indiana Department of Revenue and OCRA.
- Have the legal right or allowance to alter, change, add to any structure or place in the project scope.
- Able to serve as a fiscal agent and register with the State of Indiana as a bidder. The bidder process necessitates a bank account in the name of the lead applicant or organization.

All projects must be completed six months after grant is executed.

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New in 2020
OCRA is partnering with the Indiana Arts Commission (IAC) to provide additional funding to directly support public art projects that reflect the identity of its community. This additional funding is made possible through a grant from the National Endowment of the Arts. To be eligible for funding, projects must meet the following funding priorities:

• Located within an Indiana Main Street community (Main Street must be lead applicant);
• Located in a county with a population of 50,000 or less;
• Has never been a grantee of the IAC;
• The public art project involves an artist(s), with at least some project funds directed to support their effort; and,
• First (or one of the first) public art initiatives in the community.

Applicants are strongly encouraged to partner with an artist, arts organization, or arts provider (e.g. arts administrator, arts educator) in the project design and implementation. Bonus points will be awarded for these partnerships. Applicants are encouraged to contact their respective OCRA community liaison to discuss the project; or connect you with the Indiana Arts Commission (Paige Sharp) or the OCRA Project Manager (Colette Childress) to discuss project eligibility and competitiveness.

Visit in.gov/ocra/quip.htm to view the FAQ & links to apply.

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