

# **DENVER COUNTY CULTURAL COUNCIL (DCCC) SCFD TIER III 2025 DISTRIBUTION PLAN**



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# SCFD OVERVIEW

- Seven counties
- One penny on every \$10 in sales and use tax
  - Three Tiers



# DENVER COUNTY CULTURAL COUNCIL

- Jose Rosales, Chair and DAV appointee
- Suzi Q. Smith, Executive Committee member
- Ana Varela, Executive Committee member
- Stephen Brackett
- Samantha Franklin
- Eric Golden, Denver Public Schools appointee
- Bobby LeFebre
- Adrienna Lujan
- Abby Schirmacher, Visit Denver appointee
- Stephanie Syner

# SCFD TIER III ORGANIZATIONS BY DISTRICT

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT	CITY COUNCIL REP	# of ORGS PER DISTRICT
1	Amanda Sandoval	7
2	Kevin Flynn	1
3	Jamie Torres	13
4	Diana Romero Campbell	1
5	Amanda Sawyer	15
6	Paul Kashmann	9
7	Flor Alvidrez	7
8	Shontel M. Lewis	5
9	Darrell Watson	15
10	Chris Hinds	14
11	Stacie Gilmore	0
Outside of Denver	-	17

# **NEW TIER III ORGANIZATIONS IN DENVER**

**Biennial of the Americas**

District 10

**PRESENTING DENVER**

District 6

**The Word, A Storytelling Sanctuary**

Thornton

**Theatre Artibus**

District 9

**Union Hall**

District 10

**Words to Power**

Sherrelwood (Unincorporated Denver)

# DENVER COUNTY GRANTS OVERVIEW

- **General Operating Support (GOS)**
  - Recipients must be committed to benefitting the broad diversity of Denver tax-paying residents
  - Requests are limited to up to 25% or \$90,000, whichever is less
  - Organizations must hold a majority of their activities in Denver
  - DCCC has option for modifying funding schema
  - DCCC evaluates organizations through Values document
- **Discretionary Grants**

# EVALUATION RUBRIC

- **Organization Mission & Objectives**
- **Operations & Strategy**
- **Equity, Diversity, Inclusivity and Accessibility**
- **Financial Responsibility**
- **Impact on County Residents**

# 2025 GRANTS

SCFD 2025 ALLOCATION	\$ 3,578,462.93
5% to Discretionary Pool (\$ 178,923.15)	\$ 0.00
Top Score Range	95-100
# of Organizations with Scores above 95	16
<b>TOTAL 2025 GOS FUNDING, post Top Score Incremental</b>	<b>\$ 3,578,462.93</b>



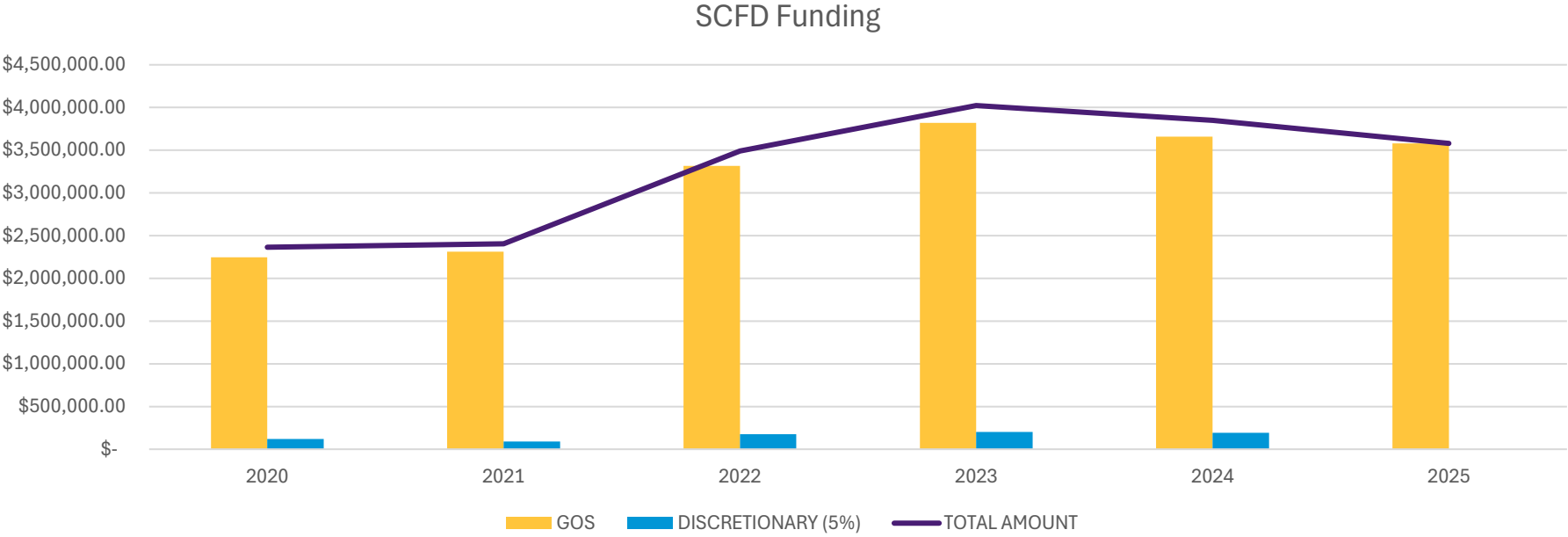
# 2025 DISTRIBUTION SUMMARY

<b>TOTAL GOS Grants</b>	<b>\$ 3,578,462.93</b>
Number of Organizations	87
Largest Grant	\$ 90,000.00
Smallest Grant	\$ 2,579.15

# 2025 DISTRIBUTION DATA

- Denver's 2025 Grants: \$3,578,462.93  
(down 7.33% from 2024: \$ 3,850,897.45)
- 2025 GOS Requests total: \$4,875,176.49  
(down 3.3% from 2024: \$ 5,038,832.49)
- Top scoring 10 organizations: Su Teatro, Warm Cookies of the Revolution, Colorado Dragon Boat, Cleo Parker Robinson Dance, Access Gallery, Museo de las Americas, Phamaly Theatre Company, Mexican Cultural Center, Latino Cultural Arts Center, City Park Jazz

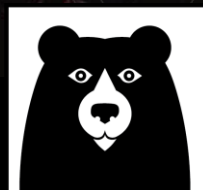
# SCFD FUNDING 2020 - 2025



YEAR	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
GOS	\$ 2,246,171.59	\$ 2,313,080.73	\$ 3,316,214.91	\$ 3,821,829.11	\$ 3,658,352.58	\$ 3,578,462.93
DISCRETIONARY (5%)	\$ 118,219.56	\$ 90,162.14	\$ 174,537.63	\$ 201,148.90	\$ 192,544.87	\$ -
TOTAL AMOUNT	\$ 2,364,391.15	\$ 2,403,242.87	\$ 3,490,752.54	\$ 4,022,978.01	\$ 3,850,897.45	\$ 3,578,462.93
% CHANGE (YoY)	-15.25%	1.64%	45.25%	15.25%	-4.28%	-7.33%



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