

Role and Overview

The Ohio Arts Council (OAC) administers grant programs in the areas of arts learning, individual creativity, arts access, arts innovation, capacity building, sustainability, and international partnerships that provide support to arts organizations and artists, and provides services that enhance the growth of the arts in Ohio. OAC also manages the Riffe Gallery featuring exhibitions and educational programs at the Riffe state government building in Columbus, Ohio, and administers the Percent for Arts Program bringing art to state-funded capital projects.

The council consists of 19 members. Four members are appointed by the legislature and 15 are appointed by the Governor. The executive director is appointed by and reports to the council. The administrative, clerical, and program staff of 31 employees report to the executive director. The council's budget is approximately \$12.7 million with funds from the General Revenue Fund, National Endowment for the Arts and other grantors, and Percent for Arts appropriations. Of this amount approximately \$9.4 million is projected to be spent on grants, representing 74.0 percent of the OAC budget.

Additional information regarding the Ohio Arts Council can be found at <http://www.oac.state.oh.us/>.



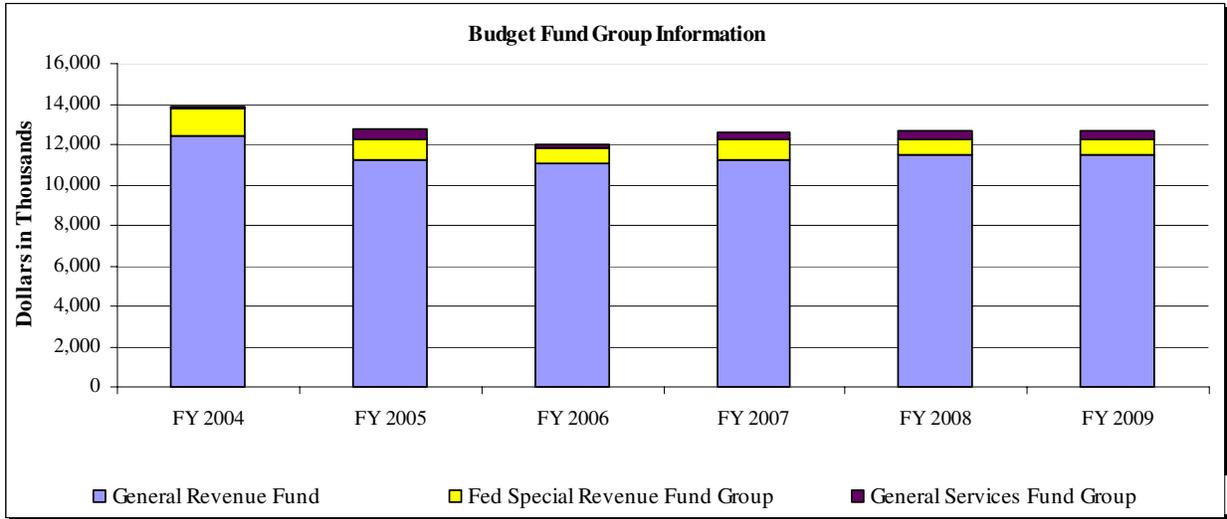
Turnaround Ohio Initiatives

- Promote economic development through grant and other arts programs that support Ohio's artists and arts organizations.
- Encourage the educational success of Ohio's children through increased access to the arts and through the Ohio Arts Council's education-related arts programs.

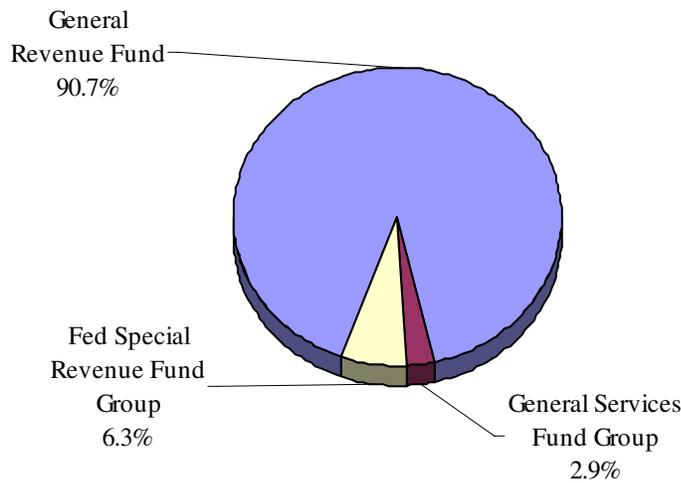
Agency Priorities

- Operate the Ohio Arts Council with a high level of integrity, customer service, efficiency, and transparency.
- Provide financial support for the arts through grant programs.
- Cultivate learning and artistic development through arts services.
- Continue to emphasize accountability, evaluation, and assessment through all grant programs, services, and professional development resources.
- Manage and maintain the Riffe Gallery.
- Administer the Percent for Arts program for state-funded capital projects.
- Strengthen existing partnerships with the Ohio Department of Education, the Ohio Department of Development's Division of Travel and Tourism, and the travel industry of Ohio through an agenda focused on the creative economy and education.

Summary of Budget History and Recommendations

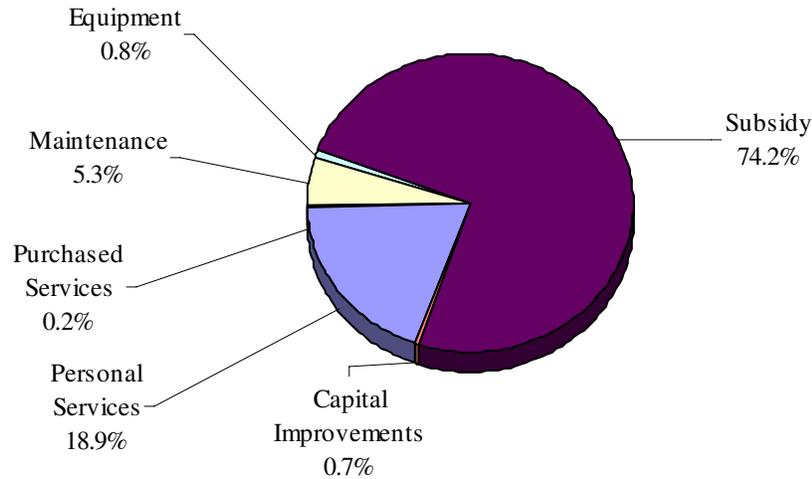


**FY 2008-09 Biennial Appropriation
by Budget Fund Group**



(In thousands) BUDGET FUND GROUP	ACTUAL			ESTIMATE	%	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007	FY 06-07	FY 2008	%	FY 2009	%
General Revenue Fund	12,403	11,274	11,095	11,238	1.3	11,488	2.2	11,488	.0
General Services Fund Group	123	498	144	386	167.9	371	(3.9)	371	.0
Fed Special Revenue Fund Group	1,346	962	773	1,000	29.4	800	(20.0)	800	.0
TOTAL	13,873	12,735	12,012	12,625	5.1	12,660	.3	12,660	.0

**FY 2008-09 Biennial Appropriation
by Expense Category**



(In thousands) OBJECT OF EXPENSE	ACTUAL			ESTIMATE FY 2007	%	RECOMMENDED			
	FY 2004	FY 2005	FY 2006			FY 2008	% CHANGE	FY 2009	% CHANGE
Personal Services	2,665	2,507	2,396	2,393	(.1)	2,389	(.2)	2,389	.0
Purchased Services	43	44	35	30	(13.9)	29	(4.4)	29	.0
Maintenance	530	539	544	586	7.8	669	14.1	669	.0
Equipment	228	2	15	80	447.5	98	22.6	98	.0
Subsidy	10,353	9,573	9,008	9,495	5.4	9,388	(1.1)	9,388	.0
Capital Improvements	55	69	15	40	163.0	86	115.9	86	.0
TOTAL	13,873	12,735	12,012	12,625	5.1	12,660	.3	12,660	.0

PROGRAM SERIES 01: Arts Programming

This program series promotes, encourages, and fosters the arts through grants for programs and services designed to strengthen the arts in Ohio.

Program 01.01: Arts Programs

This program supports quality arts experiences through grants. Grant money strengthens Ohio communities culturally, educationally, and economically by directly funding artists, arts organizations, schools, and other entities involved in cultural programming to keep creative enterprises flourishing and by making the arts readily available to communities throughout Ohio. Funding categories include Arts Learning, Individual Creativity, Arts Access, Arts Innovation, Capacity Building, Sustainability, and International Partnership. Grants are distributed to both organizations and individuals through an application and open panel review process.

The Executive Recommendation will:

- Provide approximately 660 grants per fiscal year to a diverse range of individuals and organizations, including community festivals, local arts centers and agencies, symphonic and jazz orchestras, music ensembles, dance companies, museums, literary organizations, small presses, primary and secondary schools, youth-based community organizations, public arts programs at colleges and universities, and vocal and theatre groups;
- Support approximately 17 million arts experiences for citizens in each fiscal year;
- Support the artistic development of young people and their teachers; and
- Strengthen Ohio’s cultural and artistic resources.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2008	FY 2009
GRF	GRF	370-502	State Program Subsidies	9,147,480	9,147,480
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				9,147,480	9,147,480

Program 01.02: Arts Services

This program offers services and programs that are designed to strengthen the organizations which receive funding. Such programs and services include support for the Ohio Online Visual Artist Registry; ArtsinOhio.com, a free, statewide online calendar of events; Ohio Arts Festivals and Competitions Directory; arts policy research; the Ohio River Border Initiative (ORBI), a partnership with West Virginia to support Appalachian arts and crafts; and international cultural and educational exchanges for the state's artists, arts education, and arts administration professionals. This program also supports the administrative expenses of the Ohio Arts Council, including wages, rent, printing, and technology upkeep.

The Executive Recommendation will:

- Fund wages and benefits for 31 employees, including all arts programming and administrative staff;
- Support building rental, communication, information technology, and operating costs; and
- Maintain support for arts education in schools and communities, and strengthen services, including policy research, online artist registry and directories, and regional cooperative efforts to promote, support, and strengthen Ohio’s arts and culture.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2008	FY 2009
GRF	GRF	370-100	Personal Services	1,626,062	1,626,062
GRF	GRF	370-200	Maintenance	399,746	399,746
GRF	GRF	370-300	Equipment	80,700	80,700
GSF	460	370-602	Mgmt Expenses and Donations	285,000	285,000
FED	314	370-601	Federal Support	800,000	800,000
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				3,191,508	3,191,508

Program 01.03: Riffe Gallery

The Riffe Gallery in Columbus, Ohio, presents and supports the arts in Ohio through exhibitions and special educational programs. The gallery encourages the development of professional artists and curators, shares the collections of Ohio arts institutions, and fosters an awareness of the visual arts among Ohioans. Approximately 11,000 people visit the Riffe Gallery each year.

The Executive Recommendation will:

- Provide four to six exhibitions per year of varying themes with related educational programming for the general public, with particular attention paid to school children and families;
- Support contracted services for exhibition staff, curators, and gallery sitters;

- Fund routine maintenance between exhibitions and the promotion of each exhibition and its community programming for citizens of all ages; and
- Promote Ohio’s artistic resources through the development of an online registry of exhibitions with images, interviews, and artist statements to benefit young people, educators, and the general public.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2008	FY 2009
GRF	GRF	370-100	Personal Services	172,173	172,173
GRF	GRF	370-200	Maintenance	60,000	60,000
GRF	GRF	370-300	Equipment	2,000	2,000
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				234,173	234,173

PROGRAM SERIES 02: Percent for Arts

This program series administers capital appropriated funds set aside for the acquisition, commissioning, and installation of works of art for new and renovated public buildings.

Program 02.01: Percent for Arts

The Percent for the Arts Program provides for the acquisition, commissioning, and installation of works of art for new or renovated public buildings funded with state capital appropriations of more than \$4 million. These administrative costs, and the cost of the artwork, are funded directly through the agency/university capital budget in that one percent of the appropriation for projects is to be used for this purpose.

The Executive Recommendation will:

- Support administrative costs associated with the acquisition, commissioning, and installation of artwork in public buildings;
- Administer the Percent for Arts Program for agencies or universities with eligible capital projects; and
- Serve the general public and state and university workers in providing visual artwork for their enjoyment and education.

FUND				RECOMMENDED	
GROUP	FUND	ALI	ALI NAME	FY 2008	FY 2009
GSF	4B7	370-603	Percent For Art Acquisitions	86,366	86,366
TOTAL FOR PROGRAM				86,366	86,366

LINE ITEM SUMMARY - Arts Council

FUND	ALI	ALI TITLE	FY 2004 ACTUAL	FY 2005 ACTUAL	FY 2006 ACTUAL	FY 2007 ESTIMATE	FY 2008 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE	FY 2009 RECOMMENDED	% CHANGE
GRF	370-100	Personal Services	1,896,848	1,892,879	1,798,235	1,798,235	1,798,235	.0	1,798,235	.0
GRF	370-200	Maintenance	489,060	483,943	459,745	459,746	459,746	.0	459,746	.0
GRF	370-300	Equipment	227,788	0	4,700	4,700	82,700	1659.6	82,700	.0
GRF	370-502	State Program Subsidies	9,789,435	8,897,651	8,832,125	8,975,480	9,147,480	1.9	9,147,480	.0
TOTAL General Revenue Fund			12,403,131	11,274,473	11,094,805	11,238,161	11,488,161	2.2	11,488,161	.0
4B7	370-603	Percent For Art Acquisitions	54,800	68,826	45,938	86,366	86,366	.0	86,366	.0
460	370-602	Mgmt Expenses and Donations	68,697	429,325	98,284	300,000	285,000	(5.0)	285,000	.0
TOTAL General Services Fund Group			123,497	498,151	144,222	386,366	371,366	(3.9)	371,366	.0
314	370-601	Federal Support	1,346,153	961,965	773,094	1,000,000	800,000	(20.0)	800,000	.0
TOTAL Fed Special Revenue Fund Group			1,346,153	961,965	773,094	1,000,000	800,000	(20.0)	800,000	.0
TOTAL Arts Council			13,872,781	12,734,589	12,012,121	12,624,527	12,659,527	.3	12,659,527	.0