

2020 Seattle City Council Budget Action

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Budget Action Title: Add \$25,000 of Admissions Tax to ARTS to support racial equity alignment

Ongoing: Yes Has Budget Proviso: No

Has CIP Amendment: No Has Attachment: No

Primary Sponsor: Bruce Harrell

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Council Bill or Resolution:

Date		Total	LH	BH	KS	AP	DJ	MO	SB	TM	LG
	Yes	0									
	No	0									
	Abstain	0									
	Absent	0									

Summary of Dollar Effect

See the following pages for detailed technical information

	2020 Increase (Decrease)	2021 Increase (Decrease)
General Fund		
General Fund Revenues	\$0	
General Fund Expenditures	\$0	
Net Balance Effect	\$0	
Other Funds		
Arts and Culture Fund (12400)		
Revenues	\$0	
Expenditures	\$25,000	
Net Balance Effect	\$(25,000)	
Total Budget Balance Effect	\$(25,000)	

Budget Action Description:

This Council Budget Action would add \$25,000 in Admissions Tax funding to the Office of Arts and Culture (ARTS) to further align the work between the Race and Social Justice Initiative and racially equitable organizations serving artists of color, immigrants, and others experiencing structural oppression such as the Martin Luther King Jr. Commemorative Committee (MLKCC).

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Funding will be used for investments such as:

- Expansion of the "Turning Commitment into Action" model to include a series on creative strategies for racial justice and equity;
- Strategizing with community organizations and individuals who are vulnerable to cultural displacement due to development and gentrification; and
- Partnering with entities that already have connections to ARTS.

The Council added \$25,000 of one-time funding for this same purpose in the 2019 Adopted Budget. Those funds were awarded to Urban League to partner with MLKCC to organize and host the community-focused celebration of the life of and recognition of the assassination of MLK Jr. Consistent with the 2020 Endorsed Budget, the 2020 Proposed Budget did not include any funding for this purpose.

Budget Action Transactions

#	Transaction Description	Position Title	Number of Positions	FTE	Dept	BSL	Fund	Year	Revenue Amount	Expenditure Amount
1	Add funding to support racial equity alignment		0	0	ARTS - AR000	ARTS - BO-AR-VA160 - Arts and Cultural Programs	12400 - Arts and Culture Fund	2020	\$0	\$25,000