

IMAGINE PUBLIC COMMENTS 10.9 & 10.10

Project: River City Drill Team

Comment - (250 words or less): Please support River City Drill team. Any activity that supports and keeps our youth engaged is vital to the growth and development of a community.

Project: Kidsview Weekend Art Institute

Comment - (250 words or less): Please support the weekend art institute. As more of our schools move away from the Arts, our children need alternative ways to expand their knowledge of the Arts. This program would help provide a solution.

Project: The Soul of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): This show showcases local talent. Vocalists, actors, musicians, writers, seamstresses, designers, dancers with the joy of Christmas as the vehicle. This city needs a shot of joy and hope and Rush Trowel has put together a holiday adventure everyone can enjoy.

This show has so much to offer.

Please consider this show, and please come to the show. You will be surprised to see what talent Louisville has.

Project: The Soul of Christmas: Motown Christmas 2017

Comment - (250 words or less): This project is a very worthy one! I believe it will foster a love and appreciation of the arts for African Americans.

Likewise, the educational component geared towards the younger generation can have an impact in their developing the gifts they possess!

Project: FDLF Week

Comment - (250 words or less): Within the last decade Kentuckiana has really been stepping up, showcasing its talent and passion for fashion! It would be exciting and profitable for Louisville to host a fashion week bringing together clothing and accessory designers, models and photographers, MUAs, hair stylists and more from near and far to showcase talent on a unified and more grand scale!

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): Supporting Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation. Please fund. Great potential land for the kids. Cultivating this space will change the area from neglect to nurtured.

Project: Soul of Christmas.

Comment - (250 words or less): Wrong project previously entered

Project: Motown Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): This is needed for this city right now Christmas is the time when a lot of depression is prevalent. These great professionals need to be seen with Trowels leadership to shine

Project: Kidsview weekend

Comment - (250 words or less): I think this would be a great program for kids to help keep them active in weekends.

Project: River City Drill Team

Comment - (250 words or less): Great opportunity for kids.

Project: Waterworks Dance Company

Comment - (250 words or less): I just started going to his classes and I have to say this is one of the best dance/fitness instructors I've ever worked with. Alex is thoughtful, positive and encouraging to all attendees and creates an environment that is inclusive and fun! The current room we work out of is small so this money will go a long way to helping Alex and Waterworks reach more Louisvillians!

Project: Kidsview Weekend Art

Comment - (250 words or less): Great for kids to be exposed to all forms of arts.

Project: Fleur De Lis Fashion Week

Comment - (250 words or less): This project sounds Fantastic! It is destined for success!

Project: Explore More

Comment - (250 words or less): To whom it may concern, I believe the Explore More program presented by Play Cousins Collective would be very beneficial to the Portland community! These times are crucial for our kids to learn more about inclusion, self-confidence, anti-bullying, and the importance of cultural diversity. They must learn at an early age how important it is to love themselves and to love others no matter how many differences there are between them and other people. Self-confidence will not only make them better scholars, but will make them better human beings from the inside out! Children are our future, and taking advantage of programs like Explore More will assist in molding them to be creators of an awesome future for all of us! Learning about and being taught acceptance of cultural diversity will set the pace of this entire planet learning how to live in perfect harmony!

Project: The Lockhart house

Comment - (250 words or less): I wholeheartedly agree with this project because many of our youth are facing terrible times in this day and age when it comes to the matter of sexuality. I would love to see this

program set into action and hope it will become a normalcy for any person in this age group who identifies as such and would like to be a part of the organization. Let's support the Lockhart house 100%!!

Project: Kidsview Arts Weekend

Comment - (250 words or less): This is a great project for kids. They can feel free to express them in art.

Project: The Gap Cultivation Program and Documentary

Comment - (250 words or less): I support The Gap Cultivation Program and Documentary

Project: The Soul of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): I am so excited to experience a first class stage play with substance. The opportunity to experience this play in a first class atmosphere is awesome with first class talent from Kentuckian.

Project: Fiber arts community in south louisville

Comment - (250 words or less): The outreach programs that The Little Loomhouse has been doing the past couple of years has played an important role in both fiber arts education and young adult self esteem in the southern Louisville area. By awarding them this grant it will enable them to connect with an even greater number of children and young adults especially from the diverse immigrant communities in the south end.

Project: Fleur de Lis Fashion Week

Comment - (250 words or less): Fashion meets Art with a focus on philanthropy and local businesses benefiting such wonderful organizations. What a fantastic project for our community to spotlight for locals and visitors alike.

Project: Marvelous Wonderettes '58

Comment - (250 words or less): I have worked with people that suffer from dementia and those that live in nursing homes. This would be amazing to see such a talented group of people performing 50's music for the seniors.

Project: Kidsview Art Weekend Institute

Comment - (250 words or less): Exposing kids to art in this manner is greatly needed in the community.

Project: Kidsview Weekend Art Institute and River City Drill Team

Comment - (250 words or less): Please support the two proposals noted above which gives children a safe place to go. Thank you.

Project: Marvelous Wonderettes 58

Comment - (250 words or less): We often think that seniors or those living in memory care settings cannot enjoy life or art. I have seen though how music can re-connect these folks with feelings of joy and magic in the moment. This show is a great way to achieve that.

Project: Fleur De Lis Fashion Week

Comment - (250 words or less): I know RaeShanda in both personal and professional roles. She is the person to create and lead this event that will put Louisville on the National fashion scene. It's time for Louisville to be known for more than the Derby and Bourbon, we are fashionable too!

Project: Kidsview Weekend Art Institute & River City Drill Team

Comment - (250 words or less): I support Kidsview Weekend Art Institute and River City Drill Team.

Project: River city drill team

Comment - (250 words or less): The youth in south and west Louisville deserve equal opportunities to quality instruction. A drill team taught by someone with guard and musical experience, along with behavior supports can be life changing for some young ladies. Please fund this project

Project: Kidsview weekend art institute

Comment - (250 words or less): Please sponsor this event. With so much of the arts being removed from public education, our students need this now more than ever!

Project: The Soul of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): Worthwhile project deserving of financial backing. Rush Trowell does amazing work throughout the community with youth, as well as adults.

Project: Kidsview

Comment - (250 words or less): This is what I support

Project: The Soul of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): This production extends far beyond bringing the arts to the community. The leaders and cast members are personally devoted teaching the art to the coming generations in areas which are typically not exposed to the arts outside of what they see in the media. No only through the efforts outlined in this proposal, but many of them use their talents and personal time to teach children in the area. Supporting this initiative not only supports this production but shows the younger generation that when you support the community with your passion the community will also support you.

Project: Kidsview Arts Weekend Is

Comment - (250 words or less): The arts are very valuable to our children and can be a positive outlet for them.

Project: Kidsview Weekend Arts Institute

Comment - (250 words or less): Perfect project to augment arts education in the schools and a great opportunity for children of all ages to learn, grow, and show through community arts programming...exposing them to professionals in the arts and preparing them for college and career... Please support this proposal!

Project: Kidsview art institute

Comment - (250 words or less): This would be an excellent addition to our community and provide our children with exposure to the arts

Project: skateboard build

Comment - (250 words or less): I would like to see our community do more with the skateboard build. It takes the generic idea of skateboarding during adolescent years as an act of rebellion and turns it into a hands on learning experience. This project is fascinating.

Project: Kidsview arts institute

Comment - (250 words or less): Kidsview is a stand out in community services. I have even got my job to donate when they gave out bags to the homeless last year!!

Project: The Soul of Christmas: Motown Soul 2017

Comment - (250 words or less): This would be a wonderful project that will touch the community with classic musical renditions for all to enjoy. It would be great to see this on a greater scale at the Kentucky Center for the Arts

Project: The Soul of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): Please consider funding The Soul of Christmas project by Rush Trowel. Over the past decade he has created some very meaningful projects with some of our cities most talented, and often unrecognized Louisvillians. He gives people a memorable theater experience. I love seeing the number of minorities in his productions and his ability to show that everyone can shine and be in the limelight!

Project: Peer to peer

Comment - (250 words or less): So excited for the Louisville Youth orchestra to receive this amazing grant.

Project: The Soul of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): I highly recommend the grant be awarded to support the soul of Christmas. This event will allow the community time to come together and celebrate unity through music . I have been to many of this producers plays in the past and he does a wonderful job. The actresses and actors are very talented. This event is sure to sell out!!

Project: The Soul of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): Faith Works Studios produces beautiful art. I can only imagine the caliber of work they could produce with help with their budget. FWS is a shining member of the community and a positive light in the AA community too.

Project: California Neighborhood Murals Large Scale

Comment - (250 words or less): I'd love to see some large scale murals in the California Neighborhood.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): I know Alex professionally, he's an outstanding person and full of talent! What he's doing with Waterworks is much needed. I grew up dancing and playing in band at YPAS. I believe the arts are very important and should be a part of every child's life if interested. Too many programs out there are inaccessible due to cost or location. Alex does a great job at what he does and I think he could do much more in the community with the help of a grant.

Project: The Soul of Christmas: Motown Christmas 2017

Comment - (250 words or less): This is an awesome show and an awesome opportunity for diverse local performers to gain exposure and work. There are often very few roles for the actors of color, and we often have to compete with each other to get them. This show provides an opportunity for many local talent to be featured. And it's just a super fun show. Rush Trowel is a creative mastermind and his productions are always very well executed, designed and produced. Please support and fund this project.

Project: Kidsview Weekend Arts Institute and River City Drill Team

Comment - (250 words or less): I highly recommend the Kidsview Weekend Arts Institute as well as the River City Drill Team these programs are not only beneficial for the city of Louisville but are extremely important for the youth as they grow and develop during these crucial years of their life these programs are exactly what the community needs

Project: The Soul Of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): Rush Trowel has amazing shows and with this support he and his staff would be able to continue to do great work in the Smoketown area.

Project: The Soul of Christmas: Motown Christmas 2017

Comment - (250 words or less): I have enjoyed many plays and musical productions by producer/director, Rush Trowell. The productions are the best quality and very entertaining. Furthermore, his productions are inclusive of all races and cultures. Therefore, everyone enjoys them.

I believe everyone would benefit from this awesome production.

Project: Soul of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): This is a WONDERFUL production and we would love your support!

Project: Kidsview Weekend Arts Institute

Comment - (250 words or less): This would be an awesome opportunity for our community!

Project: The soul of Christmas Motown Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): It is very important to have an opportunity to showcase local talent and music in the arts for not only the African American community but the ARTS community as a whole. I believe that the motown Christmas project allows everyone the opportunity to explore that era of music that makes you smile and reflect on the GOOD in this world. It gives artist an opportunity to showcase their love and talent in a professional environment.

Project: Motown christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): Would love to see this, in my community it's lots of ugliness, but the center would bring some joy, by allowing this musical, please and thank you

Project: River City and Kids view

Comment - (250 words or less): Please support these two projects for our kids

Project: Kidsview Weekend Art Institute

Comment - (250 words or less): This would be a great way to directly impact the lives of children in our community.

Project: Kidsview Weekend Art Institute

Comment - (250 words or less): After reading the brief synopsis concerning Kidsview, and River City Drill

Team, if my opinion matters in the least, these are amazing ideas. I have six son's, so I know of the expense, time, energy, and effort it takes to just try to get them exposed to other activities outside of sports. This program sounds phenomenal, something I hope that at least one of my son's can participate in. We have so much talent in this community, it's past time to allow all of our cities children to be exposed to the more, and the better, as it pertains to the arts.

Project: The soul of Motown Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): This will not only be a great production, but a great opportunity for our young people. This will benefit so many in our community with the resources being offered and the partnerships with the other community organizations. Please consider Rush Trowel and Faith works Studios for this grant. It will a blessing to so many.

Project: Kidsview Weekend Arts Institute; Rivercity Drill Team

Comment - (250 words or less): Please support these projects

Project: Water Works Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Water Works Dance Theater is an awesome place to be. In the last 3 months that I have attended the fitness classes that it provides, I have seen this class grow so much. This theater is deserving of an opportunity to continue to grow and reach people in the city of Louisville and beyond.

Project: The Soul of Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): Anything that we can do to help encourage the youth in our community will do nothing but enhance our city as a whole. I have had the privilege to work with Rush Trowel, and Faith Works Studios on a few occasions, and professionalism; teaching, and equipping actors of all levels, is of the utmost importance. I pray that FWS will receive the needed funds so that they are able to continue to produce, and provide; not only phenomenal shows, but continue to produce a successful, well-rounded artistic community.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): When you are at Waterworks, you are free to be you. Relax and release stress, working on your mental, as well as your physical. The director is friendly and energetic, he makes you feel like a person, in a cruel world. Please consider them! Awesome place!

Project: Martha Ellison peace park

Comment - (250 words or less): The children of the brown school have gone so long without a park it seems as though they wouldn't need one. However one can only imagine what there little minds would really come up with if they could get out side more. These are some amazing children that dream, think and explore big! To be able To get out in some true green space would be good for these urban thinkers!

Project: KIDSVIEW

Comment - (250 words or less): This grant would allow underrepresented students living at or below the poverty line have enriching activities to participate in.

Project: Waterworks

Comment - (250 words or less): Alex Betts is a fabulous instructor and is very community oriented to bring change to our city...

Project: MOTOWN Christmas 2017

Comment - (250 words or less): These productions, musicals, and performances are a major asset for this production studio & school. The funding being requested will be a tremendous BLESSING to everyone involved. There is so much joy and life that comes through music. It brings a spirit of oneness and it allows us to step into a place that can be timeless and truly unforgettable. Thank you in advance for the gifting of these grants. God bless You...

Project: The Soul of Christmas: Motown 2017

Comment - (250 words or less): Rush Trowel is an amazing person. He is very passionate about his work and success for others. Although he is a local, he could very well be on Broadway as he is the best (and I've seen Broadway plays that he by far exceeded).

Rush would bring nothing less than perfection to your facility, audience and your owners/staff will be pleased. I highly recommend him and his crew.

Project: Fiber Arts Community in South Louisville

Comment - (250 words or less): I am a South Louisville resident in the Iroquois neighborhood. This area is a very diverse working class neighborhood with a great deal of refugees and young people. I see this project as offering new skills and outlets that would be long lasting in the community and target both young people and refugees. Plant a seed.

Project: The soul of christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): This production is one that is inclusive of all in the city of Louisville and has grown to be even bigger and better each year. This production is deserving of a bigger and better venue to showcase the Amazing talent that is in our city. I enjoy the show each year and there is definitely not another show like it.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): I would love to see this project funded for the Brown School. Unfortunately, the children at this school have no playground or recess area. Since Jcps has gated the area, I have seen many children running around this grassy area with no play equipment, benches, or

places to sit for outdoor classrooms. This will help students experience the outdoors, within our city, while pursuing their education.

Project: Motown Christmas

Comment - (250 words or less): I have worked with this company in the past. They are the most talented group of performers from Louisville and deserve a large platform to showcase their skills. There is no other Musical Performance group in our Region that highlights classic music from this genre and culture. I hope to see this project supported and continued annually.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): Metro Louisville Committee,
I am currently a Brown School parent of a 9th grade student and had a daughter graduate last year. Both of my children began attending Brown in kindergarten. There has never been a safe, green outdoor environment for students to learn and play. The Martha Ellison Peace Park in the past has been utilized by the homeless and drug users leaving needles which pose a health hazard. Our students were relegated to indoor learning and play as a result. For these reasons, I am requesting that the committee provide the needed funding to renovate Martha Ellison Peace Park so that our students can have a safe green space to enhance outdoor educational learning for the liberal arts programs and provide a wonderful play space. Thank you for your consideration.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): LYO desire to expand a passion for music in the community for children in need of exposure to diverse range of positive activities is a worthwhile project with long term benefits.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Alex is one of the hardest working, most talented people I've ever met. Not only do I think Waterworks provides a positive outlet for young people in the community, but it showcases the talent and creativity of our great city. I know Alex will use this grant to further coax out the good in those he serves.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theatre

Comment - (250 words or less): This company encourages people of all size, age, color & sex to participate in themed classes each week. The instructor has an enthusiastic & delightful personality that is infectious to anyone in his presence. The progress that he has made & the support that he has received in less than a year is all the proof needed to back this business venture.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park

Comment - (250 words or less): I hope you'll consider the Brown School's Martha Ellison Peace Park.

The Brown school is an amazing place but in its urban environment the students don't have the opportunity to get outside. The park will give them access to fresh air and exercise that's a vital part of their education and growth.

Project: Waterworks dance theater

Comment - (250 words or less): I love Alex and his dance studio. Its not only dancing to me. For me it helps get me in shape and heart healthy and also the bonding time with other Ppl. Waterworks dance studio is the best.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): I support the Louisville Youth Orchestra's Peer2Peer project. What better way to grow music appreciation than youth teaching youth the true value of music.

Project: Peer2Peer (Louisville Youth Orchestra)

Comment - (250 words or less): I am writing in support of this LYO funding proposal! I am a mother of a Sophomore violinist who has been an active member of LYO since he was 8 years old! He and his musician peers have been exposed to so much which has enhanced his abilities and really his life and overall wellness! He has been blessed to have been mentored in specific ways and this grant would allow more emphasis on the "mentoring model" which by evidence has been statistically significant! Not to mention the "WIN WIN outcomes" that benefits the mentee and the mentor all around! I know Nicholas and all the older/more experienced musicians would hugely benefit and thoroughly enjoy working with another student in these various capacities! Please give this grant application SERIOUS consideration for this amazing opportunity!!! Thanks so much!

Project: Louisville youth big band

Comment - (250 words or less): I would like to know more about that program

Project: Expand and Spread Love

Comment - (250 words or less): West End School students benefit greatly from having visiting artists, and were engaged and excited to participate in the Spread Love curriculum. I support Imagine Greater Louisville money being directed to train additional facilitators of this spoken word educational program so that more students can participate.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): I fully support the Louisville Youth Orchestra's grant proposal, Peer2Peer fully. The Louisville Youth Orchestra (LYO) has consistently provided amazing musical experiences for young people from grade school through age 21. Students come from diverse backgrounds, to include diverse socioeconomic backgrounds. As such, the LYO has provided scholarships so that all students have an equal opportunity to participate in the rich experiences provided by the LYO.

Project: Water Works Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Great vibes, awesome instructor. Water works keeps bringing in more and more people each week because of how much fun and positive the environment is. I would love to see this dance studio grow and allow the young or old the joys to dance and have fun.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theatre

Comment - (250 words or less): Waterworks Dance Theatre is energetic, enthusiastic, we need more of this.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): I believe in Waterworks Dance Theater. Alex Betts has seriously brought this theater together and has impacted so many. I ask that you give him this grant not only because it's needed, but I ask so he can continue changing more lives. Thank you!

Project: Water works dance theater.

Comment - (250 words or less): I would like to bring water works dance theater to the surface. I have attended multiple classes and am always impressed. The energy and positivity that flows through this class is contagious. I have seen people of all ages come together and uplift each other in a way that always makes you feel welcome. I have looked and looked for a dance studio that I could afford for my daughters and myself. Water works is so full of a love that even my two year old had a wonderful time. I love this company and would love to see it expand so others can have a chance to experience the pleasures of getting healthy and having fun.

Project: WaterWorks

Comment - (250 words or less): Seen and heard nothing but great things from the waterworks company looking forward to joining. It's affordable, wonderful, dance instructor, a place to unwind in a positive manner. Please bless them with this grant to make it an even better place.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): I love this class! It's not too big or too long. Everyone benefits from this class whether or not you're a beginner or a professional. With this grant Waterworks Dance Theater will be able to accommodate the ever so growing class. It would also help provide the company with basic and proper dance equipment.

Project: Waterworks dance theater

Comment - (250 words or less): I love this! As a faithful member of waterworks I can say that it has been an outstanding increase in members attendance over the past months. The goals which have been stated by our instructor are goals that will be achieved with faith and more funding. Waterworks is

welcoming to anyone and proven to be a judgment free zone. Waterworks gives an experience like no other theater, I define it as the "total wellness theater". When I attended a class I become overwhelmed with joy and looking around to see smiles on other member faces tells me that they too feel happiness. I believe Waterworks will be the next big thing for Louisville. based off the attendance rates and popularity on social media sites we will continue to grow in members. Without a reasonable doubt I support the mission to upgrade Waterworks Dance Theater, Let's make it!!

Project: The Martha Ellison Peace Park

Comment - (250 words or less): I am supporting the J. Graham Brown School funding to help in developing their K-12 green space at Peace Park.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): Our family lives in an urban setting and our boys attend Brown. We are so thankful for the diverse student population and for all the opportunities that they work to give their students. We are excited for the students to be more able to move their bodies and participate in enhanced learning through this park.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): This would be an amazing educational addition to the students of the Brown school. They need a green space like all of the other schools and being able to utilize this property with a playground and other educational opportunities would be a great benefit for the current students as well as the future. This project will continue to benefit the school for years to come.

Project: Water Works

Comment - (250 words or less): The class is very enjoyable. I am 55 years old and it helps me in every aspect of life. I am burning calories and exercising at the same time. Alex is a great instructor and motivator. I never seen anyone like him. He takes the time to give each student his personal attention. His just want many people need. The classes are growing.

Project: Peer2peer

Comment - (250 words or less): Would love to see Louisville support this!

Project: Expand and Spread Love

Comment - (250 words or less): I had the pleasure of witnessing the Expand and Spread Love workshop. I saw a few high school students who lid up and engaged in the workshops. Mr. Newman is able to get the young people excited about words. This is something that this community needs.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): This project is so important to both the students at Brown but also the area Louisville where this park is located. A K-12 school in an urban environment needs a safe outdoor play and classroom area. This just isn't for recess. This is focused on creating a safe place where active learning experiences can in a number of subjects. Active learning is critical to deeper learning beyond memorization. Young minds needs to see how things can happen in our environment not just rely on their developing imaginations to fully learn what is in a textbook. Active learning has proven time and again to be the best way for people to learn and be able to apply what they have learned.

Project: Expand and Spread Love

Comment - (250 words or less): Lance Newman's Spreadlove curriculum is engaging for students and builds confidence and community while supporting writing and language arts skills through poetry. I have seen students become more engaged through these workshops than through many other academic approaches. The expansion of this curriculum would make an impact on students and our community!

Project: Martha Ellison Peace park renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): I have a current Brown school 1st grader. Until now, the possibility of outdoor play and fresh air for brown school students was nonexistent. Unlike other elementary public school students, these kids don't have the luxury of a playground to exercise during free time. This would provide that much needed break for generations of brown students to come. The kids are thrilled already to have this space even without the play equipment and pavilion. I can imagine the relief of the teachers to have a safe space to bring the kids to during school hours.

Project: The Gap cultivation program and documentary

Comment - (250 words or less): This program looks like an innovative approach to stopping a growing epidemic in our communities

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): With two children at J. Graham Brown School, I could not be more passionate about this project. Not only will the students benefit, but the area as a whole is in need of a facelift. Please consider this for the school as well as for the First Street community. We think a remanufactured playground would be awesome in this space; all recycled and remanufactured equipment!

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): Being a proud parent of a 6th grader and a 9th grader, I am so excited about this space. This space has to potential to become an awesome outdoor classroom, an area for Brown school kids and teachers to learn, grow, plant as a school community. We can beautify what once was a vacant area, unused. With this grant we can roll up our sleeves and come together to make a great green space for K-12th graders to develop a love for the outdoors. Also being a school that

encourages hands on learning...this would be HANDS ON. Planting flower beds or growing veggies, learning about the plants they are working with. A walking track, outdoor classroom, playground for recess. The possibilities are endless. With this grant anything is possible.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): I believe Waterworks Dance Theater is very deserving of this proposal. Every since I took my dance class with Alex Betts I truly understand the meaning of dance. His studio is a no judgement zone and due to that we are growing every session with new people. I know you have a lot of other groups to think about when it comes to this proposal. But I highly recommend Waterworks Dance Theater you won't regret it.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): In definite favor of this project and am excited by the possibilities. Not only will the renovation make the downtown area a safer, more beautiful and family-friendly place to be, but then to have the added benefit of bolstering the Brown School's tradition of innovation and opportunity for children from all parts of our city is really spectacular and makes me proud to call Louisville my home.

Project: Expand and Spread Love

Comment - (250 words or less): The work that Lance is leading at Spread Love is amazing and important! The arts have always played a vital role in community change and empowerment.

Project: Expand and Spread Love

Comment - (250 words or less): Lance Newman has worked with our students for several years. His programming is amazing, I have seen students open up to him that teachers couldn't reach! He develops a confidence in them that inspires a love for writing and helps them set goals for their life. The Phoenix School of Discovery was unable to work with him this year because of budgeting issues which saddens the teachers and students here. Please fund this project so that we can get young people can continue to benefit from this program.

Project: Waterworks dance theatre

Comment - (250 words or less): Waterworks dance theatre has been such a positive experience for me and many women. I helps me to appreciate my own body image and have a great time with a group of different men and women without feeling ashamed. I love the classes Mr.Betts provides for the young ones as well as the older ones. Positivity in the neighborhood is really needed and i commend him and applaud everything his program provides.

Project: Waterworks

Comment - (250 words or less): I started going to Alex Betts class about 2weeks ago, this was something

I have never done a class like this, but OMG, he has totally got me hooked he is amazing with people this class gives me life when I leave it has me ready for the next and the next class!!!! If anyone should have this Alex Betts deserve it!!!

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Hip hop dance is booming in the area and Waterworks bring more to the area including jazz, modern, tap and line dancing. Especially for children to learn at an early age. In addition to that, Waterworks brings creative and innovative ways to health and fitness through dance.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Lead by a man who loves dance, fitness, and helping others! Louisville needs something as positive as this!

Project: Waterworks Dance

Comment - (250 words or less): Waterworks Dance is excellent. It is great for people for all ages if they just enjoy dance, or if they are trying to add more activity in their life. The instructor is thorough and knowledgeable. He is an excellent dancer. He gets to know each person and encourages everyone. Everyone is accepted at their level and he does not allow any negativity. Almost all sessions are full to capacity. Waterworks Dance is something that Louisville can be proud of.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Alex is innovative with his dance moves in the program he designed for the community. It is refreshing to find something fun, yet healthy being offered in Louisville. Alex is worthy of funds for his expansion because he will help so many people in so many ways.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): This is a great program for adults & children to work on their craft

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Reno

Comment - (250 words or less): Having a natural, green space in the heart of an urban setting is more important than ever. This project is also encouraging because students are involved in the creation of something beautiful for our city. Please make this project a reality for our students, our city, and our future!

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): As principal of the J. Graham Brown School, this grant will have a massive impact on families and students across the entirety of Louisville Metro. This opportunity to infuse the arts with physical play has the potential to inspire hearts and minds of all ages. We can all

agree that young persons do not get enough time to engage in arts exploration and physical activity as much as we all would like. I respectfully request that you fund our grant proposal so that we can make it happen!

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): I fully support and encourage you all to consider the Waterworks Dance Theater as a recipient for funding from this program. I joined this dance theater this summer and have not looked back since. Our instructor Alex Betts has given me a place to come to be myself and be myself comfortably. Not only that but I have gained confidence in my wellness journey. I first learned about this dance theater from watching a video that was posted on social media. I was immediately hooked. Watching the women attending never lose a smile and not only that they looked like they were having fun. I attended the next class which was a Thursday. Alex greeted me with a smile and so did the ladies attending. Each week I go back to return the favor Alex gave me to me which is getting fit and getting fit in a fun way. No participant leaves the class in the same manner they come in and honestly the space is so crowded now we could really utilize a bigger space. With your help of monetary donation this is an investment that would continue to help women and men alike lose weight and have fun doing it. Not only that but dance is statistically known to show satisfying results for the human body mentally and physically. Please consider this program for your selection of funding.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): This would be a great use of the grant money. Mr. Betts is very committed to his gift and talent and is passionate about sharing it with the community, especially the youth.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Waterworks Dance Theater has created a fun and exciting way to positively effect many people, by expressing themselves through the art of dance. Founder, Alex Betts is extremely talented and creative, as he instills his passion of art through dance. Through choreographed dancing, Alex has also helped so many people in other ways; such personal weight loss journeys, enhancement of self love and basic 'stress relief' through dance. Waterworks Dance Theater is providing a positive and exciting dance experience for all ages.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Great place to meet friends and dance without feeling bad. It's a no judgement zone where we just have fun and shake it. Love dancing here. It makes my week so much better.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): This is such an amazing project to offer an outdoor play and recreation area for the Brown School. Giving children the opportunity to have an outdoor area while still being in

the city and offering the benefits of being in the city. It would also make the area more aesthetically pleasing and add to the beauty of the green space.

Project: Peer2peer

Comment - (250 words or less): Love the LYO and their work with Backside program. Believe it should be supported.

Project: Louisville Youth Orchestra Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): What an amazing opportunity for young people to give other young people hope! Something this world needs more of, and who better than to give it to our youth by our youth. Through music our next generation can break down walls of hatred with opportunities of understanding while embracing differences. Guiding our next generation, using our youth is more valuable than words can express and gives hope for a future to those that may need a little direction - all through MUSIC! I hope LYO can continue to give back to the community through projects such as these.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): Martha Ellison Park is currently unusable. It's not secure to the busy traffic, so it can't be used by brown school students and faculty. The Brown School is one of the top academic schools in the state, and they have zero green space. All outdoor sports practice, including cross country and soccer are done in the gym or offsite. Several sports are overlapping each other in practice regularly. Developing this space would be a valuable asset to the brown school for the next thousand years...

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): My daughter has been a student at the J. Graham Brown school since kindergarten, and is now in the seventh grade. During this time period, she has been not had the opportunity to play on a school playground as the Brown School does not currently have one.

The Martha Ellison Peace Park has been a good resource as it is across from the Brown School, but until just recently has not been fenced in to prevent access to anyone but students/parents/teachers/administrators of my daughter's school.

Having a safe space for outdoor play has not been possible until now, and I strongly support the Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation in order to allow for her and future students access to safe, outdoor play. All children deserve access to such facilities, and this project will allow for this facility to become a perfect place for sunshine, fresh air, and fellowship with their friends and teachers.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): Music is a universal language that everyone can speak. The earlier music is incorporated into a child's life, the better: research has shown that learning, reading, and playing

music fosters personal growth, confidence, and success in academics. LYO's Peer2Peer grant is a fantastic opportunity for our entire community, allowing at-risk youth access to learning, listening to, and playing music that may not otherwise happen, while also enhancing orchestra members' skills of mentoring, empathy, and leadership. This project seems win-win to me! What a fantastic idea!

Project: The Martha Ellison Peace Park

Comment - (250 words or less): This project would benefit the entire downtown area by creating an educational and green space environment, it will rid the area of a neglected and blighted space into a space all of Louisville can be proud of.

Project: Martha Elison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): Please support this project which would benefit the J. Graham Brown school, one of the best in our state, as well as enhance our ability to attract and retain business interests in the downtown area.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): My daughter is a part of the Louisville Youth Orchestra, performing now for her fourth year in this wonderful organization. This Peer 2 Peer project would benefit the entire Louisville community. Music transcends all ethnicities and cultures. For a child like my daughter who is already a part of the LYO, it offers her the opportunity to not only further her musical education and skills, but it also offers her the potential for leadership roles and to provide a community service. These are invaluable life skills which will serve her for years to come. For the children who are not a part of the LYO yet, this can open up a whole new world for them. When a child is taught by a peer, both children benefit greatly from the experience. Please consider funding this very worthwhile cause. Thank you.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): The Waterworks Dance Theater, would benefit so much from receiving this grant. Everyone thrives on doing something healthy and positive with their lives and dancing and exercises to dancing rejuvenates your mind and body. The young man that teaches this class is very talented in dance and music and he makes a difference in my community, and church. The positive impact of young black men rising above the stereotypes that has been placed on them by society is a dying few. Greater Louisville needs this positive impact for all walks of life. Thank you
Andrea Chinn-Little

Project: MARTHA ELLISON PEACE PARK RENOVATION

Comment - (250 words or less): I support this cause because my daughter attended Brown School for 4 years. There is no "green space" available to this downtown school. Brown provides its diverse population (pulling from all Louisville zip codes) an exceptional educational experience, deserving of an outdoor, community classroom. The close proximity of the park to the school makes this union an easy, complementary fit. Educating our future residents in this downtown outdoor facilities is an investment

in Louisville's future. These students will remember growing up learning in this area and will hopefully give back to the community who gave to them. I know first hand Brown promotes community involvement, volunteerism and giving back for the greater good. I can assure you this will be the best use of an easement Interstate 65 will ever have! My daughter will graduate this year and will never take part in the outdoor classroom space discussed in this grant. However, as citizens, we will always enjoy the laughter and learning taking place in an outdoor, downtown classroom--benefitting many children of Louisville area.

Project: waterworks dance theater

Comment - (250 words or less): great class my wife and daughter both are students since the january 2017. he's a great and amazing teacher very professional inspirational and motivational to all who are in the class and and in the community

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): The renovation of this blighted space will not only benefit the students greatly, but will heighten public safety in this area which is highly traveled by students from the University of Louisville, members of the downtown YMCA, employees/patients/families frequenting the downtown hospitals, and numerous downtown businesses in the vicinity. Historically, this space has been an eyesore, riddled with garbage and discarded dangerous drug paraphernalia. The school security has been forced to scour the property each morning with metal detectors so as to discard any dangerous syringes or other waste. The Brown School is consistently a top ranked elementary, middle and high school in this state, despite being located in one of the most dangerous intersections in this city and having access to no safe "green" space. Allowing this space to be so grossly neglected is not acceptable. This grant will benefit the city of Louisville by showcasing a commitment to our public schools, public safety, and the beautification of one our most highly traveled downtown corridors.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): Lending my voice to the positivity that is LYO.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): The J. Graham Brown school is a real asset to the Jefferson County Public School system. They achieve much with very little support. While other schools have transportation, parking lots, sports fields, etc. the Brown School continues to turn out some of our states brightest students, despite of the fact that they don't have much space to operate with. The stewardship that they exercise is commendable and I would love to see them awarded this grant to renovate that easement on first street. My wife and both of my children have attended the Brown School and I have served on the SBDM and been actively involved throughout their matriculation. I can testify to the fact that this is dire need and I challenge you to support this project and watch the magic that this school will bring to this neglected area of Nu Lu.

Project: Waterworks Dance Company

Comment - (250 words or less): I've attended several Waterworks dance classes and it has been life changing. As a working mom and wife finding time to affordably have fun and stay healthy is a challenge. These classes allow for both in a positive confidence building environment. I can only imagine the positive impact it would have on a community if there was an opportunity for larger outreach. Recently classes for kids have been offered. What better way to impact a generation than by getting into the hearts of our youth and keeping them active? Failure to financially contribute to this org would be a horrible oversight by any decision makers involved.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): The LYO group consists of talented trainers who put in their best effort to help children learn and fulfill their passion of orchestra. I support this group and wish them success in their efforts of promoting young and talented performers.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theatre

Comment - (250 words or less): I have only been apart of waterworks for a couple of months now but in this small time I have saw this company grow tremendously. The classes are affordable and really touch people's lives in a positive way. There is nothing like this company in the city. We have a great time in our location now but a bigger space would help reach many more.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): THIS park is a much needed area for the location. One of the Brown School's drawbacks is that there is no safe allotted green space for the students to learn, grow and play. This space will be a beloved space for the Brown School Community to enhance education opportunities for the students.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Project

Comment - (250 words or less): Brown School is a leading academic school in Kentucky but has no where for the children to enjoy greenspace that is safe. The school has no room to grow and this area is just across the street making it ideal for the children to continue to blossom.

Project: Waterworks dance theater

Comment - (250 words or less): This program has become a great asset to the community in my opinion. It proved an exercise atmosphere that encourages healthy habits through movement, bring life to the culture of dance art and theater for those of us who may not be exposed to it at all. Alex has created an atmosphere that is refreshing, encouraging and friendly which draws more new people time! I learn to express myself through music, and dance and get a great workout at the same time! The dance fitness classrs are very diverse, which mirrors the community we live in. people from difference professions, ethnicity, age etc. come together twice a week for the dance fitness classes, and get a chance to

promote their business and get to know prospective clients in a great way and just have fun! I believe Alex vision for Waterworks is exactly what the community craves and will be embraced by everyone.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): Please help make our Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation happen! It is so important for our kids to have a safe space to participate in regular outdoor activity/exercise. This is a chance to help our kids thrive and be healthy (both physically and emotionally), to enhance their instructional experiences, all while exploring the world around them. Please help Brown School gain what every other elementary school in the district currently (already) offers their students. Thank you!

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): This class has gotten me working out again. The class is affordable, fun, and judgement free. This class takes place in a part of town where dance classes targeting this audience are far and few. Mr Betts is an awesome energetic teacher that passes his energy to his students. The classes have significantly grown and the current space is not large enough to handle the consistently growing classes. This grant will help solve that problem and be appreciated greatly!

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): Can you imagine an elementary school without a playground? Brown School children have been living this reality for decades at great detriment to their health and safety. Not only did my son gain significant weight when he started attending school at Brown, but we've had to be on our guard regarding the dilapidated space across the street in order to avoid strangers approaching our vehicle and even a flasher exposing himself during morning drop-off. Now, we have a chance to make a positive impact for every Brown School family, present, and future. Research says children should have at least 20 un-broken runs every day. It's time to fund this project and begin creating a better reality for our children.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park

Comment - (250 words or less): The Martha Ellison Peace Park would not only enhance downtown Louisville but have a tremendous impact the youth in our community. Allowing a space for the inner city school kids to get outside the confines of the building to improve their learning environment which is essential to their growth.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): The students and teachers at Brown would greatly benefit from having a safe outdoor space for playing and learning, and connecting with the natural world.

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): This is the most positive dance theater there is. It promotes a healthy

lifestyle as well as promoting the arts for the very young to the older crowds. The instructor is passionate about the arts, it shows he cares about this aspect first which I believe will make his business grow into a very positive influence for the people and the city

Project: Waterworks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Great place to learn dance and workout at the same time! Fun Class!!!

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park

Comment - (250 words or less): A green space for the elementary students at the J. Graham Brown School is much needed! My son is now a thriving senior at the Brown school with a 4.0 GPA. It's a wonderful school with an awesome staff & teacher preparing our kid da for the future. The location has its challenges as far as being located downtown. But every school age child needs the outside space whether for physical activity or to explore nature. Every other school has that outdoor space, why not our kids. This project I'm sure has taken years of planning and now we have the land. Our kids deserve the grant! Do the right thing!

Project: Martha Ellison Green Space

Comment - (250 words or less): As this development would help to create a safe and positive outside environment for children attending the unique public school J. Graham Brown. The benefits each child would receive to feel like they can play and engage in the outside world around them in a downtown environment safely is worth any amount you are willing to grant them.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park

Comment - (250 words or less): I can't think of a more worthy group of students than those that attend Brown School. These students truly represent all parts of Louisville, but they come together to make downtown their home. To award them a grant for a playground would do some much for their daily health and well-being, and take away any barriers for academic success. Thank you for considering this amazing school for this much needed grant.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): As a parent of a Brown student, I think the park renovation would extend the visual arts and social education of the all students that utilize it. I am excited for the students, staff, and stakeholders of The Brown. Happy teaching and learning!! Nichele and Glenn Washburn

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): I support this grant request. The Brown school has not had an outside recreation area before. The kids have been very limited when it comes to outdoor activities. They usually have to take a walking field trip to the waterfront park. An investment in this park will enable the

children to exercise and gain outdoor experiences that they have not had before. Recess is vital for helping the child develop in a well rounded manor. It also allows the students and staff an opportunity to de-stress and work out some energy that may impede learning. Brown is a high achieving School. This park space will help the students excel even farther.

Project: Marth Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): I strongly support this project as the parent of a Brown School student. To me, it's very important to include as many 'angles' of teaching that are possible. Brown school has always encouraged students to think outside of the box. For some students, it's difficult to do this. Sometimes just stepping out into a different environment other than the walls of a school can ignite creative thinkers to go in a direction they didn't realize was possible. Peace park is a beautiful space across from Brown and has such potential for inspiration to students and teachers alike. I am amazed by the vision of the school leadership and hope this grant becomes a reality.

Project: Martha Ellison Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): There is currently no playground or dedicated green space at the Brown School. Elementary students either run around in the gym or play in the small bricked courtyard at the rear of the building during recess and gym. This renovation would give students some much needed outdoor time and a safe area to play.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): The Brown school has students from Kindergarten to 12th grade, it's in the inner city, and has the highest test scores in the state! These kids desperately need a play ground! They need to get outside during the school day. They have proved that they deserve it, and they most certainly have earned it! Please reward their hard work and dedication to their education.

Project: Martha Ellison Peace Park Renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): I am very excited about the renovation of the green space at Martha Ellison Peace Park! Students at the Brown School are in desperate need of an outdoor playground and outdoor classroom, as they have neither as a downtown school. Renovating the park and providing playground equipment will not only provide a purpose for the unused green space, but provide the students with an excellent opportunity to learn and grow in the outdoors. PLEASE fund this project...everyone in Louisville will reap the rewards!!!

Project: martha ellison peace park renovation

Comment - (250 words or less): The brown school has no outside space for the students. This school is ranked one of the best in Kentucky and deserves a nice outdoor space for the students to play and learn. After so many years, the park across from the school was a haven for the homeless and now finally that has been fenced in for the Brown School, now lets take it one step further.

Project: Water Works Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): Alex Bett's is one of the best fitness/dance instructors in the Kentuckian area. You can tell that he is passionate in his performance. He also wants every client to leave his class with confidence, self-worth, and a few pounds lighter. He has helped me in my weight loss journey so much that I forget its an exercise class because I have so much fun.

More people are coming to enjoy the experience as to the life changes Alex can bring to their lives.

Project: WaterWorks Theater LLC

Comment - (250 words or less): When I first came to the class, I was in a broken place. I was unemployed, just moved back to Louisville, and felt that I didn't have a purpose. When I began to take the class, I began to gain my confidence back. I was able to begin to love me for me and have fun! I'm grateful of the program.

Project: Peer2peer

Comment - (250 words or less): I think this kids need this to invest in the music programs. The children are our future and children exposed to music explain their minds, do better in class work.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): A wonderful opportunity for the youth of the area to experience! A place for them all to be on an equal playing field to learn and grow through music.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): Music engagement of children and youth has so many benefits, from student engagement in school, to spiritual & mental health; no to mention emotional wellness. Having a peer to walk you through is a brilliant idea. The LYO has reached many at risk and financially challenged children; however with the demographic explosion and youth related violent crimes this city, Louisville is in desperate need to Foster and Support the outreach of programs like Peer2Peer.

Project: WaterWorks Dance Theater

Comment - (250 words or less): The city is in need of a Black owned Theater Company. The thought of Children and young adults learning to express themselves is a win win for the city.

Project: peer2peer

Comment - (250 words or less): The LYO is an amazing asset to the greater louisville area. It allows student musicians to not only grow as musicians, but as young adults. Youth from a diverse range of backgrounds learn and practice together forming lifelong friendships they would never have found were it not for LYO. i stongly urge the committee to fund peer2peer to allow lyo to continue to keep access

open to youth of all socioeconomic backgrounds. The arts are a valuable resource, lets help keep LYO strong for years to come.

Project: Peer to Peer, Louisville Youth Orchestra

Comment - (250 words or less): I would love to see these talented young people receive a grant to grow their interest in music. They will share their enthusiasm with others!

Project: Louisville Youth Orchestra

Comment - (250 words or less): A bunch of amazing kids trying to keep music alive.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): I know how important this is to at least one hard-working talented kid.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): LYO is an amazing organization giving musical growth opportunities to the youth of Louisville and surrounding counties.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): So many worthwhile proposals! However, the Louisville Youth Orchestra stands out as most worthy because it benefits an expanding circle of many young people, their families, their schools, and their communities. Please fund this Louisville tradition and treasure!

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): The LYO, a wonderful group of young people have great ideas and encouraging thoughts about what a successful community looks like. They represent a wonderful look at what the future of our com looks like..

Thank you for taking the time to move our children forward..

Project: Stage One sensory friendly programs

Comment - (250 words or less): My son has autism and it often makes going out in public, much less to a play, very difficult. Because of the sensory friendly performances at Stage One we've been able to attend 2 plays which he loved. He had the biggest smiles and laughs because he could enjoy plays and events that took his sensory difficulties into account. He can make noise and dance and no one thinks we're odd - for one day. The staff is amazingly sensitive and welcoming. We look forward to being able to participate together with Stage One in the future!

Project: Peer2peer

Comment - (250 words or less): A wonderful opportunity to bring the music of young musicians to the public forum. It provides a challenging experience for our youth to participate at a high level with fantastic, experienced directors to guide them in their growth in music.

Project: Peer to Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): this is my daughter's third year in LYO and It has been such a wonderful experience for her. Music in a child's life is so enriching, and I cannot think of a better way to expand music's reach than by the Peer to Peer program. Not only will the young students benefit, but so will the LYO musicians. What a great way to spread music's wonderful influence!

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): This project is a great example of the different ways the teachings and loves for music can benefit both the musicians and the listeners - especially ones who may not have the financial ability to be involved in music. It is an art form that is meant to bring people together, and the members of the LYO are illustrating just that in Peer2Peer.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): One of our children's first orchestra experiences was watching the LYO at Iroquois Park as part of the Derby Festival. What a great organization! It give kids an feeling of empowerment to see other children performing so well together.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): What a wonderful project! Not only does it fund children, but it turns high school students into mentors, thus promoting civic engagement. Please fund this.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): LYO has a successful track record of bringing music to youth that it can expand by the program proposals. The children in LYO will benefit and so will those in the target communities. I support the Peer2Peer project.

Project: Peer2peer

Comment - (250 words or less): I think the merits of the peer2peer projects have the potential to have great impact for students in critical developmental periods for both students providing and those receiving access to great musical education & opportunity!

Project: PEER2PEER

Comment - (250 words or less): Peer 2 Peer is helping my nephew, Ryan Kegg, learn more about playing

the bassoon. Awesome program
for youth!!! I'll be mailing you money.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): I believe this grant gives youth in Louisville great opportunities to broaden their musical development. Giving LYO students a chance to reach out to other students in Louisville what the LYO could offer them. Music in a child's life can enrich their development through their lives. It promotes independence, self esteem, s sense of belonging, unspoken friendships from peers & adult mentors. Please grant this proposal, Music is a beautiful thing and and all children should be given the chance to make their own musical notes.

Project: Peer2peer

Comment - (250 words or less): What a great project! Music is so important, and for the youth to get the opportunity to teach and learn from each other is wonderful!!

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): The Louisville Youth Orchestra is an amazing group of very talented students that are gifted musically and display discipline with time management skills. They have so much to share with other students musically, ethically and can set a great example to of exposure students and adults that may never have the opportunity to learn or see performances with many of these instruments. The art of music expands creativity and desire for learning.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): The sharing of music is important for our community. Benefits are seen on both sides of the equation: the young musicians learn to work collectively and gain self-confidence while developing musical skills while the audience enjoys the beauty of the compositions. Musician and audience member alike are joyful at the end of a performance. Having the financial resources to enable these young musicians to share their gifts with the socially or educationally disadvantaged is a wonderful blessing.

Project: Peer2Peer (Louisville Youth Orchestra)

Comment - (250 words or less): This should be a great project. It's relatively inexpensive and has great synergy. It gives the young performers new audiences and gives underserved audiences exposure to orchestral music.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): Louisville Youth Orchestra is a community treasure. The ability to take the Orchestra to the audience instead of taking an audience to the Orchestra is a meaningful experience for the members and the community.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): The Louisville Youth Orchestra Peer2Peer program is a very deserving initiative designed to promote playing music to lower income students. Please consider supporting this awesome program that brings the world of playing music to those less fortunate. Thank you!

Project: LYO - Peer to Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): LYO is a fantastic organization that provides wonderful opportunities for all students regardless of background to gain musical experience. The collaboration with the Americana World Center and the Backside Learning Center is an awesome way to reach out and provide opportunities for young students to potentially find a new passion while allowing current LYO members to share their talents and build mentoring skills.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): Peer2Peer (Louisville Youth Orchestra) is not only a grant that should be funded, but an event that the powers that be, should attend. A vast array of local youth talent matched only by their academic excellence. So proud to be involved in such a much needed organization.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): My daughter is a member of the LYO and has had a wonderful experience for her. It's a fantastic program that really benefits kids.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): The Louisville Youth Orchestra's Peer2Peer project will have a profound impact on the ability of the organization to continue to fulfill its mission of bringing the highest quality musical education experience to all of the children of our community. The project will directly enable the LYO to continue to diversify its reach across cultural and socio-economical boundaries. Thus, this Peer2Peer project is of tremendous importance and one I would very much like to see fully funded.

Project: Peer2Peer

Comment - (250 words or less): This looks to be an amazing program for the LYO and the community. Please support it to the full extent.

Project: All projects up for consideration..

Comment - (250 words or less): As a native Louisville artist and educator living in Valley Station, I would highly encourage you to seek out projects that would also benefit Louisville's outer communities and tax payers living in these many communities. It seems some neighborhoods dominate the money spent on the arts and those that live on the outer communities receive little of the same attentions.. We deserve the arts as well. Thank you and good luck.

Project: K-8 Arts Integration Teacher Leadership Team - and "Inside a Question - Live experiments at the traveling Consortium"

Comment - (250 words or less): This is a rare opportunity to reinvent the JCPS system and help them have an emphasis on the Arts and the youth. Whether it be the question of 21st century careers or teaching exceptionally hard skill sets to students is of utmost priority. The other project is focusing on how they deconstruct learning to through an art form. This is an opportunity for the fund to support our public school systems and make them better. I personally do not have children, nor do I have affiliation with JCPS, but I did attend a public school. If I had not been able to self direct and pursue the Arts on my own I would never have gone to Cooper Union in manhattan NY. Not everyone has as supportive of a family as I had. One must recognize how ambitious and well thought out these two proposals are, how they have long lasting effects on our community... because the next generation will be helping or hurting our cause!