

Over \$6.2 Million Available for Local Creatives

CITY OF AUSTIN



The Elevate Grant is the second of three cultural grants, centering the City's investments in diverse local arts, heritage, and music businesses.

(AUSTIN, TX) - The City of Austin Economic Development Department announces over \$6.2 million in support through the Elevate Grant. The program will offer \$10,000 to \$75,000 grants for arts organizations, individual artists, and creative businesses that produce culturally vibrant and diverse artistic content. Grant funds may be used for creative, administrative, and operational expenses incurred in producing creative activities and events for the public. Applications for the Elevate Grant will open Tuesday, May 23 at 10 a.m. through Tuesday, June 27 at 5 p.m.

"Elevate is the second funding series for local creatives in Austin, developed in collaboration with the creative community. This grant supports a diverse group of cultural producers who promote equity, prioritize inclusive programming, and represent a broad range of artistic disciplines," explains

Sylvia Holt-Rabb, Director of the Economic Development Department. "Based on the community feedback from our recent funding support to arts and culture organizations, the Elevate Grant will further invest in Austin's vibrant cultural landscape."

Eligible applicants must have a minimum one-year history of cultural or arts programming in the Austin-Round Rock Metropolitan Statistical Area—which includes Bastrop, Caldwell, Hays, Travis, and Williamson counties. To review the full eligibility requirements and application details, visit the Elevate Grant website.

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Application Assistance

The Economic Development Department is

offering various ways for the community to learn about the Elevate Grant application process and eligibility.

- Register to attend a Cultural Funding Awareness Workshop in-person.
- Register to attend a Cultural Funding Awareness Workshop virtually.
- Attend virtual open office hours every Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. until June 27.
- Watch an awareness workshop:
 - Elevate Grant Awareness Workshop in English.
 - Taller de concienciación sobre la subvención de Elevate en español.

Submit the Elevate Grant application by June 27 at 5 p.m. Full eligibility requirements, grant guidelines, and application details are available to review at www.austintexas.gov/elevate.

Fall registration is now open for everyone. Austin Community College District (ACC) offers more than 100 programs, from associate degrees to university transfer, workforce certificates, and select bachelor's degrees.

Everyone who comes here gets access to completely FREE support



and resources like tutoring, advising, financial guidance, and more.

Classes begin August 21! For more information and to register, visit austincc.edu/fall.

Austin 3-1-1

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THE PROBLEM WITH MENTAL HEALTH

The month of May is Mental Health Month, but everyone knows mental health issues are much larger and last longer than just 31 days. They are just as much a problem during the other eleven months of the year, too.

A noted authority says "minority women are at least twice as likely to experience an episode of major depression as men, and compared to their Caucasian counterparts, African American women are only half as likely to seek help."

Sure, we're also concerned with other health issues affecting African Americans, Latinos and other groups who suffer from a high burden of chronic diseases.

But today, in this special month, the Austin Area Urban League *Guild* is focused on letting people who suffer mental health problems know that we can connect you with mental health help.

Austin Area Urban League *Guild*
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SHAQ SERVED!



Shaquille O'Neal

(Miami, FL) - NBA Hall of Famer Shaquille O'Neal was served a complaint while working for TNT during Tuesday night's Eastern Conference finals game between the Boston Celtics and the Miami Heat. The complaint is a part of a proposed class-action lawsuit filed against the failed cryptocurrency company, FTX.

It has been reported that O'Neal has been dodging process servers for several months by slipping them at his home and job at TNT's studios.

In response, O'Neal has denied these claims.

FTX Founder, Sam Bankman-Fried, was arrested in January at his home in the Bahamas and charged with money laundering, wire fraud, and securities fraud.

FTX investors have served several athletes involved in the aftermath of FTX's collapsed including Stephen Curry, Tom Brady, and Naomi Osaka to name a few.

Fight the Bite!

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Due Date: June 23, 2023 by 2:00 PM CT
Central Health is seeking a consultant(s) to support our local public affairs, strategic communications, and local government affairs efforts. Central Health wishes to partner with an entity/individual(s) who understands the unique and complex healthcare issues facing Travis County, our safety-net healthcare system, and the history, current state, and future of Travis County's Healthcare District dba Central Health. Ordering Instructions: Package can be downloaded from:
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