Our organization doesn’t have a DUNS number. Are we still eligible?
You don’t have to have a DUNS number in hand to apply for funding, but your organization must have a DUNS before receiving any awarded funds. You can apply for a DUNS number by telephone (866-705-5711) or this website: http://fedgov.dnb.com/webform. On average, it takes about 2 days to receive a DUNS number.

Our organization isn’t a 501(c)3. Are we still eligible?
Organizations must be tax-exempt to be eligible for this grant line, but do not have to have a 501(c)3 designation. Tax-exempt organizations that would like to apply through a fiscal sponsor (for instance, a library or museum applying through its 501(c)3 “Friends” organization) may do so.

Our organization is based in another state, but we do a lot of programming in Wyoming. Are we eligible?
Organizations must be based in Wyoming to be eligible for this funding.

Do these funds require a cost share match?
No match is required for these grant funds.

When do we have to use the funds by?
Funds must be used by October 31, 2020.

How much can our organization ask for?
Request caps are set by your organization’s annual operating expenses:
• Annual Operating budget of $0 – $50,000 = Request Cap of $5,000
• Annual Operating budget of $50,000 – $250,000 = Request Cap of $10,000
• Annual Operating budget of $250,000+ = Request Cap of $15,000

What’s the application deadline?
Applications will be reviewed on a weekly rolling basis as long as grant funds are available. If you submit your application by 12 pm on Friday, you’ll hear a decision the next week. The first due date for applications is Friday, May 15 (by noon).
If I’m the person submitting the application, can I also serve as the grant’s fiscal agent?
No. For reasons of fiscal oversight and accountability, we require someone who is not the project director/applicant to be the fiscal agent. Often organizations will list a board member who oversees financials or an accountant as their fiscal agent.

Our organization has applied for the Paycheck Protection Plan/Wyoming Arts Council funds/other federal emergency funds. Can we request support from Wyoming Humanities as well?
Yes! Applying for other emergency assistance does not prevent an organization from receiving emergency funds from Wyoming Humanities. You will, however, be asked in the application how your organization will ensure there is not an overlap in the use of federal emergency funds. (For instance, stacking federal funds (Arts Council grant for June, WYH for July) or Arts Council funds for employees A, B, and C and WYH funds for E, F, and G.)

My museum/library/historical society is attached to the city or state government. Are we eligible?
Some museums and libraries are affiliated with units of local or Tribal government. These organizations are eligible for funding, however all other eligibility criteria are required. If your museum or library has a Foundation or Friends group with 501(c)3 status, they may apply on behalf of your library or museum.

Is my arts organization eligible if we also get funding from the Wyoming Arts Council?
Yes. Organizations that apply for Wyoming Arts Council funding are also eligible to apply for Wyoming Humanities Cultural CARES grants.

My organization is attached to the University but not technically a department. Are we eligible?
If your organization has its own tax-exempt status that is not associated with a college or university it is eligible.

We’ve got a great idea for a new program; can we use CARES grant funds for that?
We’d love to hear your idea! We will be evaluating opportunities for new programming grant opportunities in the coming weeks—please give us a call so we can discuss. In the meanwhile, Wyoming Cultural CARES grants are intended for ongoing operational support, which can include operations related to ongoing and current programming, not new programming. For new programs, we also recommend taking a look at our Spark grants (applications reviewed monthly).

My organization is ineligible for your CARES grant, but can an exception be made for a critical program that is at risk of closing without additional funding?
Congress and the NEH have limited the ways WYH can use CAREs funding—only for operations and supports. However, we’d like to hear more about your program and ways in which WYH can help. Please give us a call. Also, please consult this list of additional COVID-19 resources to see if any of those may address your needs.

Where can I access the application?
Applications are available through Wyoming Humanities’ online grant portal. If your organization has not recently applied for a grant from Wyoming Humanities, you will need to create an account. Past applicants may login using their existing credentials.