

Wyoming Humanities American Rescue Plan Grant Application Conversation Overview

As part of the Wyoming Humanities American Rescue Plan Grant application process, we are hosting short 20–30-minute application conversations. These conversations will allow applicants the opportunity to again advocate for their organizations and program/project presented for Wyoming Humanities ARP grant funding. Applicants are encouraged to include other contributing members of the program/project as part of these application conversations; please limit to three participants per conversation. That conversation will include Wyoming Humanities staff members and Wyoming Humanities Grants and Programs Committee Board member(s). We will record these conversations, and the recordings will be added to the application and available to the applicant, but these recordings primarily will be available to the Committee for reference during the evaluation process.

Application conversations will be hosted for every ARP Programming Grant application and ARP Recovery Grant application. If your organization submitted an application for ARP General Operating Support, we will request an application conversation if we are uncertain about whether the organization is humanities-focused. Otherwise, General Operating Support applications will not require such a conversation. All questions or concerns regarding application conversations should be sent to the Director of Grants and Programs, Chloé Flagg at chloe@thinkwy.org. Below is a brief outline of the application conversation.

Project Description, 5 – 10 minutes:

- Project overview
 - Applicants are encouraged prepare however makes them most comfortable (discussion, PowerPoint presentation, sharable PDF, etc.)
- Humanities scholar/expert (if applicable)
 - How is the humanities experts work directly related to the project? In what ways is the humanities expert integrated into the project?
- Anticipated outcomes and audiences

Impact of COVID-19 on organization, 5 minutes:

- Review how the organization was adversely impacted by Covid-19 and how the grant will aid in recovery (“preventing, preparing for, responding to, and recovering from the coronavirus.”)

Additional application-specific questions, 5-10 minutes:

- Areas in need of clarification may be any portion of the application, and/or the:
 - Proposed budget
 - Preventing funding overlap
 - Review promotion schedule and materials (if applicable)

For non-humanities organizations, 5 minutes:

- Organization’s mission and activities as they relate to Wyoming Humanities values:
 - enhancing the creative and cultural economy, engaging communities to improve quality of life, raising cultural awareness to expand the Wyoming narrative, promoting civics and democracy and, fostering critical thinking and lifelong learning
- Organization’s history of humanities programming and/or projects.