

Change Leader – ‘Think Outside the Box’ Scholarships

Purpose:

These Scholarships fund projects spearheaded by Change Leaders, which encourage innovative cultural engagement in communities. Scholarships can range from new cultural projects to targeted community-based activities.

Goals:

- Help Change Leaders build value and increase connections with their communities.
- Support “push projects” that are outside of normal organizational programming. This should be clearly different from the regular work that you do.
- Illustrate the impact of arts or museums in meeting social/community needs.
- Strengthen and raise awareness of the Change Leader Program.

A project must meet the following criteria:

- The applicant must request funding through a nonprofit institution (501(c)(3) or government agency and the check must be issued to that institution.
 - If this creates a difficulty please reach out to us
- The project meets the stated purpose of the scholarship.
- This project must be new to your organization, a “push project”, and not something that is part of your typical programming.
- Scholarship funds must be spent and project must be completed within the fiscal year, ending June 30th.
- Only certified Change Leaders may apply
 - The exception to this rule is if a Change Leader is using this scholarship as part of their certification project.
- A certified Change Leader must act as a chief organizer.

Award money may NOT be used for:

- Projects that are part of regular programming or services that organization(s) generally offer.

- Projects that have already taken place.
- A Change Leader's personal gain or that of immediate family members.
- For-profit ventures.
- Projects that are receiving other UA&M funding for the same activity.
- A new project, if the applicant Change Leader received one of these scholarships in the previous fiscal year, but did not submit an evaluation for the project.
- No more than 20% of the scholarship may be used for hospitality.
 - No scholarship funds may be used for the purchase of alcohol.
- No scholarship funds may be used for political advocacy.
- **NOTE** - If this scholarship is to be used for activities associated with a fundraiser, it is recommended that you contact a member of the Community Programs team prior to applying.

Disclaimer:

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About These Scholarships:

- Scholarships will award up to \$500 for projects involving one Change Leader.
- If a second Change Leader from a different organization is also actively engaged in the application and project, the scholarship request can be up to \$1000.
- Department of Community & Cultural Engagement employees should reach out to Change Leader staff before applying.
- Change Leaders may apply annually for this scholarships
- Change Leaders may only receive one scholarship per fiscal year whether as the lead or secondary applicant.
- Scholarship applications are open all year and reviewed upon receipt.
- Access the application at uamgrants.utah.gov.

Scholarship recipients will be required to:

1. Sign an acknowledgement letter.
2. Use the [Utah Arts & Museums logo](#) in all promotional materials.
3. Upon completion of the project, scholarship recipients will submit a [final report](#).

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