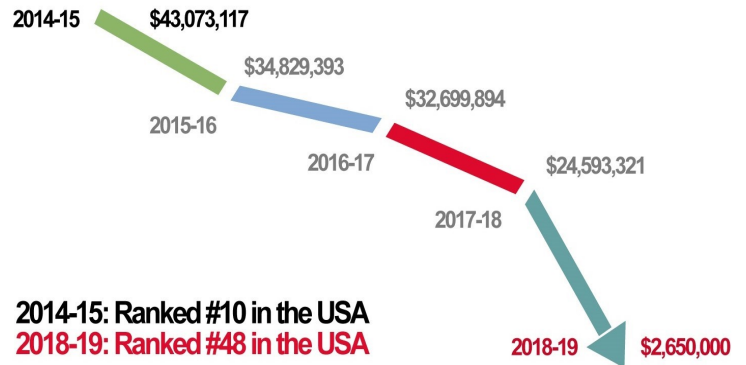


“Support for the production, distribution, and infrastructure of the arts is critical to success in tourism, attracting business interests, economic development, and quality of life issues.”

National Conference of State Legislatures

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State investments in the Florida Department of State Division of Cultural Affairs (DCA) matching grants have gone from full funding in 2014-2015 to a 94% cut in 2018-2019.



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Sustainability & Accessibility Are Dependent On Funding Partnerships

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Admissions / Fees / Dues

Foundation Support

Corporate Support

Individual Contributions

Government Grants

Decline in DCA matching grants based in SARASOTA County:

Florida Fiscal Year:	# of DCA matching-grants recommended:	Total qualified for in DCA-matching grants:	# of DCA matching-grants funded:	Funded by Florida Legislature:	% that the State Funded:
2014-2015	24	\$ 3,118,729	24	\$ 3,118,729	100%
2015-2016	24	\$ 2,372,827	24	\$ 1,390,704	59%
2016-2017	23	\$ 2,446,181	23	\$ 1,722,042	70%
2017-2018	29	\$ 2,386,265	29	\$ 865,837	36%
2018-2019	33	\$ 2,924,300	25	\$ 152,351	5%
Subtotals:	133	\$ 13,248,302	125	\$ 7,249,663	55%

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1,715 Arts-Related Businesses Based in Sarasota County Employ 5,089 People

Sarasota County 2017 Dun & Bradstreet Report

Florida 2017 Dun & Bradstreet

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\$9 to \$1 Return to Local & State Government Treasuries

In Fiscal Year 2014-2015 when the Florida Legislature invested 100%, Sarasota County-based arts and cultural nonprofits generated

\$12,495,000 back to LOCAL government treasury; \$19,944,000 back to STATE government treasury for a total of \$32,439,000 returned to government treasuries.

Arts & Economic Prosperity 5 Sarasota Study
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Please work to support FULL FUNDING INVESTMENTS for the Florida Department of State Division of Cultural Affairs' matching-grants programs. Thank you.



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