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For Immediate Release:

**INDIAN PUEBLO CULTURAL CENTER TO RECEIVE \$100,000 GRANT
FROM THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE ARTS AS PART OF THE
AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN**

Grant will be used to fund curator, registration specialist positions to preserve, protect IPCC's collection

Albuquerque, NM, Feb. 1, 2022 — Indian Pueblo Cultural Center (IPCC) officials have announced that the organization has been approved to receive an American Rescue Plan grant from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), which aims to help the arts and cultural sector recover from the pandemic.

IPCC is recommended to receive \$100,000 and may use this funding to save jobs and to fund operations and facilities, health and safety supplies, and marketing and promotional efforts to encourage attendance and participation. In total, the NEA will award grants totaling \$57,750,000 to 567 arts organizations in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Washington, D.C.

“Our nation’s arts sector has been among the hardest hit by the COVID-19 pandemic. The National Endowment for the Arts’ American Rescue Plan funding will help arts organizations, such as the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, rebuild and reopen,” said Dr. Maria Rosario Jackson, chair of the NEA. “The arts are crucial in helping America’s communities heal, unite, and inspire, as well as essential to our nation’s economic recovery.”

“COVID-19 had a significant impact on the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center, shuttering it from March 2020 to March 2021. During that time, many of our key programs and educational offerings went online to accommodate a public thirsty for information on the 19 Pueblos,” said IPCC Vice President of Cultural and Community Engagement Dr. Beverlee McClure. “To keep our collection accessible, we allowed it to be viewed online through informative videos written and delivered by our Curator of Collections Amy Johnson. This has proven to be invaluable, as our collection is not yet digitized, making it unavailable on the internet.”

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“This funding will not only support the curator position, it will allow us to hire a registration specialist, ensuring our collection receives the best care, conservation, and cataloging,” McClure added. “We look forward to the working with the Arts Endowment on finalizing this award and appreciate the agency’s support.”

The American Rescue Plan was signed into law in March 2021, when the NEA was provided \$135 million for the arts sector. The funding for organizations is the third installment providing more than \$57.7 million for arts organizations. In April 2021, the NEA [announced](#) \$52 million (40 percent) in ARP funding would be allocated to 62 state, jurisdictional, and regional arts organizations for regranting through their respective programs. The second installment in November 2021 [allocated](#) \$20.2 million to 66 local arts agencies for subgranting to local artists and art organizations.

For more information on the NEA’s American Rescue Plan grants, including the full list of arts organizations funded in this announcement, visit www.arts.gov/COVID-19/the-american-rescue-plan.

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About the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center:

Founded in 1976 by the 19 Pueblo tribes of New Mexico, the Indian Pueblo Cultural Center is a world-class museum and cultural center located in the historic 19 Pueblos District. The IPCC is a nonprofit organization with a mission to preserve and perpetuate Pueblo culture, and to advance understanding by presenting with dignity and respect the accomplishments and evolving history of the Pueblo peoples of New Mexico. Visitors can learn fascinating history, shop for Native jewelry and art, watch a cultural dance, hear Native languages, and experience the flavors of traditional and contemporary Native cuisine. To learn more, please visit: www.indianpueblo.org, or Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram @IndianPueblo.

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