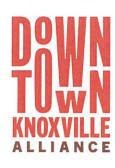
BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING → AGENDA

APRIL 18, 2022, 11:30 AM



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II.	Approval of Minutes A. *March Board Meeting	p. 3
III.	*Financial Report A. Financials B. Post Audit Letters	p. 5 p.
IV.	Committee Report A. Development B. *Marketing	p. p.
V.	Staff Report	p.
VI.	Old Business	
VII.	New Business A. Accepting Nominations (business and residential representatives) B. Discussion of Budget for FY 22-23	
VIII.	Public Forum	
IX.	Adjournment	

Upcoming Meetings:

May 16, 11:30 am – Board Meeting June 20, 5:00 pm - Annual Meeting followed by Board Meeting

^{*} Denotes action items

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

MARCH 21, 2022, 11:30 AM

The Board of Directors of Downtown Knoxville Alliance met on Monday, March 21, 2022, at 17 Market Square, Knoxville, TN.

Board members present included board chair, Matthew DeBardelaben, Vince Fusco, Rick Emmett, Lori Matthews, Michael Riley, John Sanders, Daniel Smith, and Mary Katherine Wormsley. DKA and Knoxville Chamber staff in attendance included: Michael Hummel, Angela Lunsford, and Robin Thomas.

I. Welcome

Matthew DeBardelaben, chair of the Board, welcomed everyone to the meeting and called the meeting to order.

II. Minutes

Mr. DeBardelaben called for the approval of the minutes from the February board meeting. Mary Katherine Wormsley made a motion to approve the minutes. Lorie Matthews seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

III. Financial Report

Angela Lunsford delivered the financial report for the corporation. Mary Katherine Wormsley made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Michael Riley seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved by the board.

IV. Committee Reports

Michele Hummel presented the report from the Quality-of-Life Meeting, which was held on March 16. The committee reviewed four requests and made recommendations to the board for approval.

- Ambassador Program/Block by Block (BbB) is a program that will provide four uniformed officers in the downtown area to provide a sense of security and a welcoming presence. BbB is currently working in over 120 cities across the US. The program will be administered by Visit Knoxville with four organizations equally sharing the cost. The total contract will be \$328,000/year. DKA's cost will be approximately \$82,000 year or 6836.75/month. The cost for the remainder of this fiscal year will be \$20,510.25 and \$82,000 next fiscal year. The committee made a recommendation in the form of a motion to the board that DKA fund this project as presented with funds coming from reserves. Rick Emmett seconded the motion, which was unanimously passed by the board.
- Dogwood Arts had two requests the committee reviewed. Art in Public Places Sculptures (\$10,000) and Art in Public Places Murals (\$15,000). Both requests are annual requests to DKA and are within the budget. The committee made a recommendation in the form of a motion to the board to fund both projects as requested. John Sanders seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

- Two Bikes Mural presented a request for a mural to the entire back of their building. The request is for \$7,500. The total project cost, including in-kind donations is estimated at \$26,000. The inspiration for the mural comes from Two Bike's - 'Coffee Outside Rides.' The committee made a recommendation in the form of a motion to the board to approve as presented. Michael Riley seconded the motion, which was approved by the board. Daniel Smith abstained from the vote as he has a building adjacent to the project.

V. Staff Report

Staff presented the staff report providing an update on the activities from the previous month, social media numbers, and highlighted the upcoming month's meetings. The full reports were included in the agenda packet.

VI. Old Business

There was no Old Business.

VII. New Business

- A. Matthew DeBardelaben noted that a Nominating Committee will be formed soon in preparation for the annual meeting in June.
- B. John Sanders noted the economic and social impact of Big Ears.
- C. Matthew DeBardelaben noted that the Development Committee will meet soon to discuss ways in which DKA can help with developments throughout downtown.

VIII. Public Forum

There was no Public Forum.

IX. Adjournment

With no other business, the meeting was adjourned.

Secretary	

Downtown Knoxville Alliance

Statement of Cash Flows

Fiscal YTD March 31, 2022

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Downtown Knoxville Alliance Statement of Cash Flows Fiscal YTD March 31, 2022

Project	Grants	Permit Date	Comp Date	YE 6/30/2019	YE 6/30/2020	YE 6/30/2021	YE 6/30/2022	Total to Pay
Transit Alliance of East TN	25,000			0	0	0	0	0
Fort Kid	250,000	_				250,000	0	250,000
	275,000			0	0	250,000	0	250,000

^{*} City approval required

Note: Disclosure of Tax Abatement for Farragut Building. CBID Board agreed to receive current assessment of \$4,578 and forgo \$19,012/year for 25 years - total abatement \$475,302. Based on estimated increase in projected value \$18.4mm versus \$3.6mm. Tax is .32 per \$100 on 40% of projected value.

Note: In 2013, Knox County Commission and Knox County Industrial Development Board approved a 10 year PILOT for Marble Alley Lofts, LLC. The property was held by Knox County and did not pay property taxes because of its tax exempt status. The property is now held by the Knox County industrial Development Board. Based on the current appraised value, at the end of the 10 year PILOT, CBID would be entitled to a projected assessment of \$36,800 annually.

Note: In July of 2019, the Board of the Downtown Knoxville Alliance agreed to approve a 10-year abatement of the incremental CBID assessment for the State Supreme Court projects starting 48 months after the Dover Signature Properties closes on the two parcels of property from the City of Knoxville to allow for construction and project stabilization. CBID will receive an assessment for both properties based on the acquisition cost of \$2.6mm or approximately \$320 for the property that will house the hospitality project, purchased for \$250,000 and \$3,008 for the parcel that houses the apartment project, purchased for \$2,350,000. Downtown Knoxville Alliance will receive this yearly assessment during the 48 month construction and stabilization period and during the 10-year abatement, after which the CBID assessment will be paid at full value.

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Downtown Knoxville Alliance Profit & Loss Actual vs Budget June 30, 2022

TOTAL STORES ACTUAL VS DUUGGE CUITS SULL STORES	Acct #	Jul 21	Aug 21	Sep 21	Oct 21	Nov 21	Dec 21	Jan 22	Feb 22	Mar 22	Apr 22	May 22	Jun 22	YTD FY22	FY22 Budget Remainder	Remainder
Income CBID Tax Assessments	4020	, \$	(15,988)	7,727	494,179	138,728	42,888	44,146	66,651	123,404	,	•	-	901,735	835,000	(66,735)
Total Income	1	5 65	(15,981)	7,734	494,165	138,699	(9) 42,879	44,154	181	123,478	238 901,973	500 835,500	262 (66,473)
Expenses Development Path to Prosperity Special Projects Total Development	5225 5205		, ,		, ,						١ ،	1)	1 1		15,000	15,000
Quality of Life Beautification Residential - Other Residential Security Total Quality of Life	5650 5900 5901 5700	77 - 18,299 18,376	4,991 - 11,079 16,070	78 10,778 10,856	81 8,663 8,744	20,340 - 10,926 31,266	(2,419) - 15,597 13,178	87 - 11,489 11,576	334 - 12,024 12,358	1,782 (4,288) 27 6,438 3,960		. ,		25,351 (4,288) 27 105,293	3,000 150,000 243,000	64,649 2,973 44,707
Business Support Business Support Total Business Support	9299	200	1,927	7,758	6,650	7,846	1,526 1,526	3,104	236	701			. ,	30,248	50,000	19,752
Marketing Expenses Advertising General Print & Design Website - All Committees Sponsorship Prior Year Events and Sponsorship Total Marketing Expenses	5305 5306 5375 5362 5360	100 2,124 350	3,714 1,415 1,224 1,000 7,353	6,951 2,216 1,190 -	840 2,880 2,068 -	4,405 6,389 1,412 2,500 14,706	7,765 2,636 1,320	3,963 4,809 550	3,680 500 2,277	6,518 2,195 2,973 6,313 28,500		1 1 1 1		37,937 25,164 14,658 6,313 32,000	50,000 35,000 20,000 - 80,000 185,000	12,063 9,836 5,342 - 48,000 75,242
Administration Meals/ Lodging/ Travel Office Expense Bank Fees Postage Professional Dev. Professional Svc Svc Contract - Operations Insurance Directors/Officers Software Supplies	5420 5430 5435 5440 5465 5461 5461 5470	722 395	1,149 379 6 6 7 19,619	672 584 7 7 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -	234 424 10 3,733 18,872 804	177 525 - - 18,872	489 312 - 940 - 18,872	559 2,065 8 - 8 - 18,872	27 365 157 15 15 1,800 18,872	384 379 18 1,000 18,872				4,412 4,133 175 55 940 6,533 169,848	5,500 7,000 2,500 6,000 12,000 225,464 800 1,000	1,088 2,867 2,445 5,060 5,467 56,616 (4)
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Subtotal Surplus Spending NAV Total after Surplus Spending	•	(40,679)	(62,484)	10,200	250,000 198,907	2,266	(4,159)	10,000	26,545	50,827	0	٥	0	272,466	353,041	80,576

Downtown Knoxville Alliance Statement of Cash Flows

March 2022

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OPERATING ACTIVITIES	
Net Income	50,826.75
Adjustments to reconcile Net Income	
to net cash provided by operations:	
1110 · Other Receivable	-56,866.43
2020 · Accounts Payable	22,025.45
2600 · Accrued Payables	16,275.00
Net cash provided by Operating Activities	32,260.77
Net cash increase for period	32,260.77
Cash at beginning of period	988,125.71
Cash at end of period	1,020,386.48

Downtown Knoxville Alliance Balance Sheet

As of March 31, 2022

	Mar 31, 22
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings 1000 · Cash & Cash Equiv.	
1000 · Cash & Cash Equiv.	
1016 · Regions - Checking	520,214.02
Total 1005 ⋅ Cash	520,214.02
1020 · Investments - Cert Dep and MM	
1026 · First Century Bank	114,834.46
1029 · Home Federal Bank - MM	43,550.34
1011 · Regions - MM	3,874.20
1021 · First Bank 2774	71,770.44
1024 · First Bank MM 2976	23,750.07
1023 · First Bank CD 2781	104,749.67
1027 · SunTrust MM Account	137,643.28
Total 1020 - Investments - Cert Dep and MM	500,172.46
Total 1000 · Cash & Cash Equiv.	1,020,386.48
Total Checking/Savings	1,020,386.48
Accounts Receivable 1110 · Other Receivable	122 516 00
Total Accounts Receivable	123,516.98
	123,516.98
Total Current Assets	1,143,903.46
TOTAL ASSETS	1,143,903.46
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
2000 · Acc. Payable	
2020 · Accounts Payable	22,833.31
Total 2000 · Acc. Payable	22,833.31
Total Accounts Payable	22,833.31
Other Current Liabilities 2600 · Accrued Payables	23,454.58
Total Other Current Liabilities	23,454.58
Total Current Liabilities	46,287.89
Total Liabilities	46,287.89
Equity	
3900 · Change in NA - unrestricted Net Income	667,045.71 430,569.86
Total Equity	1,097,615.57
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	1,143,903.46

Downtown Knoxville Alliance Profit & Loss

March 2022

	Маг 22
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
4020 · CBID Assessment 4100 · Interest on Cash Reserves	123,403.67
Total income	74.47
	125,476.14
Expense	704.05
5676 · Merchant Support	701.25
5327 · Big Ears Festival 5300 · Marketing Expenses	10,000.00
5362 · Prior Year Sponsorship Expense	6,312.50
5305 · Advertising	6,518.05
5306 · Miscellaneous Printing	2,194.91
5375 · Website	2,973.00
5360 · Sponsorships - Events	18,500.00
Total 5300 · Marketing Expenses	36,498.46
5400 · Administration	
5435 · Bank Fees	18.00
5420 · Meals/Lodging/Travel	383.52
5430 · Office Expenses	378.78
5440 · Postage	9.28
5450 · Professional Svc	1,000.00
5460 · Services Contract	
5461 · Svc Contract - Operations	18,872.00
Total 5460 · Services Contract	18,872.00
5480 · Software	830.24
Total 5400 · Administration	21,491.82
5700 · Security Committee	
5710 ⋅ Bike Patrol	6,438.00
Total 5700 · Security Committee	
•	6,438.00
5900 · Residential	07.00
5901 · Residential Projects/Initiative	27.36
5900 · Residential - Other	-4,287.50
Total 5900 · Residential	-4,260.14
Total Expense	70,869.39
Net Ordinary Income	52,608.75
Other Income/Expense	
Other Expense	
5650 · Quality of Life	
5202 · Beautification	972.00
5650 · Quality of Life - Other	810.00
Total 5650 · Quality of Life	1,782.00
Total Other Expense	1,782.00
Net Other Income	-1,782.00
t Income	50,826.75

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Downtown Knoxville Alliance A/R Aging Summary

As of March 31, 2022

City of Knoxville. Hyatt Place Knoxville TOTAL

	Current	1 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	> 90	TOTAL
•	123,403.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	123,403.67
	0.00	113.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	113.31
٠	123,403.67	113.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	123,516.98

Downtown Knoxville Alliance A/P Aging Summary As of March 31, 2022

	Current	1 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	> 90	TOTAL
Knoxville Chamber	18,925.15	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	18,925.15
Knoxville News Sentinel	2,541.09	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,541.09
Knoxville Poop911	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	200.00
Tennessee Theater	610.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	610.00
Thomas, Robin	557.07	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	557.07
TOTAL	22,833.31	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	22,833.31

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February 14, 2022

To the Board of Directors Downtown Knoxville Alliance

We have audited the financial statements of Downtown Knoxville Alliance (Organization) for the year ended June 30, 2021, and have issued our report thereon dated February 14, 2022. Professional standards require that we provide you with information about our responsibilities under generally accepted auditing standards (and, if applicable, *Government Auditing Standards* and the Uniform Guidance), as well as certain information related to the planned scope and timing of our audit. We have communicated such information in our letter to you dated July 26, 2021. Professional standards also require that we communicate to you the following information related to our audit.

Significant Audit Matters

Qualitative Aspects of Accounting Practices

Management is responsible for the selection and use of appropriate accounting policies. The significant accounting policies used by the Organization are described in Note 1 to the financial statements. No new accounting policies were adopted and the application of existing policies was not changed during the fiscal year ended June 30, 2021. We noted no transactions entered into by the Organization during the year for which there is a lack of authoritative guidance or consensus. All significant transactions have been recognized in the financial statements in the proper period.

Accounting estimates are an integral part of the financial statements prepared by management and are based on management's knowledge and experience about past and current events and assumptions about future events. Certain accounting estimates are particularly sensitive because of their significance to the financial statements and because of the possibility that future events affecting them may differ significantly from those expected. The most sensitive estimate affecting the financial statements was:

Management's estimate of the time allocation used to allocate expenses for the Statement of Activities. We evaluated the key factors and assumptions used to develop the estimate in determining that it is reasonable in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Certain financial statement disclosures are particularly sensitive because of their significance to financial statement users. The most sensitive disclosures affecting the financial statements were:

The disclosure of availability and liquidity in Note 2 to the financial statements,

The disclosure of services provided by the Knoxville Area Chamber Partnership in Note 3 to the financial statements,

The disclosure of future grants payable and commitments in Note 4 to the financial statements, and

The disclosure of the Organization's response to the COVID-19 pandemic in Note 6 to the financial statements.

The financial statement disclosures are neutral, consistent, and clear.

Difficulties Encountered in Performing the Audit

We encountered no significant difficulties in dealing with management in performing and completing our audit.

Corrected and Uncorrected Misstatements

Professional standards require us to accumulate all misstatements identified during the audit, other than those that are clearly trivial, and communicate them to the appropriate level of management. Management has corrected all such misstatements. Attached is a schedule of adjusting journal entries detected as a result of audit procedures and corrected by management, some of which were material, either individually or in the aggregate, to the financial statements taken as a whole.

Disagreements with Management

For purposes of this letter, a disagreement with management is a disagreement on a financial accounting, reporting, or auditing matter, whether or not resolved to our satisfaction, that could be significant to the financial statements or the auditor's report. We are pleased to report that no such disagreements arose during the course of our audit.

Management Representations

We have requested certain representations from management that are included in the management representation letter dated February 14, 2022.

Management Consultations with Other Independent Accountants

In some cases, management may decide to consult with other accountants about auditing and accounting matters, similar to obtaining a "second opinion" on certain situations. If a consultation involves application of an accounting principle to the Organization's financial statements or a determination of the type of auditor's opinion that may be expressed on those statements, our professional standards require the consulting accountant to check with us to determine that the consultant has all the relevant facts. To our knowledge, there were no such consultations with other accountants.

Other Audit Findings or Issues

We generally discuss a variety of matters, including the application of accounting principles and auditing standards, with management each year prior to retention as the Organization's auditors. However, these discussions occurred in the normal course of our professional relationship and our responses were not a condition to our retention.

This information is intended solely for the use of the Board of Directors and management of Downtown Knoxville Alliance and is not intended to be, and should not be, used by anyone other than these specified parties.

Sincerely,

Bible Harris Smith, P.C.

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Engagement: A0621 Period Ending: 6/30/2021 **Description** Account **Debit** Credit Adjusting Journal Entries Adjusting Journal Entries JE # 1 To correct beginning net assets. 3900 Change in NA - unrestricted 8,000.00 5205 Special Projects 1,000.00 **Total** 8,000.00 8,000.00 Adjusting Journal Entries JE # 2 Record overpaid assessments due back to City of Knoxville 4020 **CBID** Assessment 15,987.76 2020 Accounts Payable 15,987.76 **Total** 15,987.76 15,987.76 Adjusting Journal Entries JE # 3 To record interest earned but not posted 1021 First Bank 2774 43.18 1023 First Bank CD 2781 549.67 1024 First Bank MM 2976 3.90 4100 Interest on Cash Reserves 596.75 **Total** 596.75 596.75 Adjusting Journal Entries JE#4 To accrue grant liability authorized during fy 21 5800 Dev. Grants 250,000.00 2030 **Grant Liability** 250,000.00 **Total** 250,000.00 250,000.00 Adjusting Journal Entries JE # 5 To reverse accrual per Angela 2600 **Accrued Payables** 2,500.00 5105 Other Program Alloc 2,500.00 Total 2,500.00 2,500.00 **Total Adjusting Journal Entries** 277,084.51 277,084.51

277,084.51

277,084.51

Client:

Downtown Knoxville Alliance

Total All Journal Entries

Client: Downtown Knoxville Alliance

Engagement: **A0621**Period Ending: **6/30/2021**

Period Ending:	6/30/2021		
Account	Description	Debit	Credit
Reclassifying Jo	ournal Entries JE # 1		
Allocation of serv	ice contract and adjusting functional expenses to actual		
5205-A	Allocation of Contract Quality of Life	29,810.70	
5305-A	Allocation of Contract Marketing	46,407.60	
5405-A	Allocation of Contract Admin	48,057.90	
5505-A	Allocation of Contract Residential	29,810.70	
5605-A	Allocation of Contract Recruitment	40,005.00	
5705-A	Allocation of Contract Development	23,408.10	
5461	Svc Contract - Operations		217,500.00
Total	,	217,500.00	217,500.00
Reclassifying Jo	ournal Entries JE # 2		
Reclassify Other a presentation	Allocations credits for statement of functional expenses		
5105	Other Program Alloc	2,500.00	
5205	Special Projects	23,315.49	
5320	Other Marketing Expense		2,500.00
5320	Other Marketing Expense		23,315.49
Total	=	25,815.49	25,815.49

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To the Management of Downtown Knoxville Alliance

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Downtown Knoxville Alliance as of and for the year ended June 30, 2021, in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Organization's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Organization's internal control.

However, during our audit we became aware of several matters that are opportunities for strengthening internal controls and operating efficiency. The memorandum that accompanies this letter summarizes our comments and suggestions regarding those matters. This does not affect our report dated February 14, 2022, on the financial statements of Knoxville Central Business Improvement District Management Corporation.

We will review the status of these comments during our next audit engagement. We have already discussed some of these comments and suggestions with various personnel, and we will be pleased to discuss them in further detail at your convenience, to perform any additional study of these matters, or to assist you in implementing the recommendations.

Bible Harris Smith, P.C. Knoxville, Tennessee

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February 14, 2022

Knoxville Central Business Improvement District Management Corporation February 14, 2022 Page 2

Memorandum Attachment Internal Control/Management Letter Comments

Auditor Assists with Drafting of Financial Statements and Notes

We assist in drafting the financial statements and notes. This is not uncommon in nonprofit and other closely-held for profit entities. However, management and accounting personnel review and approve the financial statements, notes, supporting schedules, and adjusting journal entries. Based on our understanding of management and accounting personnel's education, background, and expertise, we have concluded that management and accounting personnel have the necessary accounting expertise to prevent, detect, and correct potential misstatements to the financial statements and notes.

Material Adjustments to the Financial Statements

BHS identified a grant payment of \$250,000 that was approved by the board in August of 2020 then subsequently approved again and sent in September of 2021. Upon further inquiry it was determined that this payment related to a commitment for the fiscal year ending 06/30/2021. This adjustment reduced the Organization's net assets by \$250,000.

Summary of Prior Year Comments

Auditor Assists with Drafting of Financial Statements and Notes
See current year comment above.

Material Adjustments to the Financial Statements

See current year comment above.

DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE ➤ MINUTES

MARCH 24, 2021, 9:00 AM

Committee members present included: Mary Katherine Wormsley, chair; Matthew DeBardelaben; Rick Emmett; Melinda Grimac; Mary Kathryn Kennard; Staff/Others: Michele Hummel.

DKA has money for Development projects that has gone unspent for two years. The committee discussed ways in which DKA could make an impact on projects in downtown. Some of the ideas included:

- Making more people aware of the Economic Impact Program.
- With many new projects expected in the coming years, several of them do not include parking. There was a discussion of ways DKA can help the city and community create or improve the passage ways city garages to destinations. A potential passageway project is the proposed baseball stadium. While the stadium is located outside the BID, it would be helpful to entice people to park within the BID, eat/drink at downtown restaurants and walk to the stadium.
- Development that is not being spent. The committee has not received any grant request under the Economic Impact program and discussed potential projects that may fall under the program.
- Interactive art projects such as climbing sculptures.

DKA will meet with the city to see how we can partner on parking or other projects in downtown.

MARKETING COMMITTEE ➤ MINUTES

MARCH 29, 2022 2:30 PM



Downtown Knoxville Alliance board members present included Matthew DeBardelaben. Committee members present included Nicki Collett, Tennessee Theatre; Dana Dalton, University of Tennessee; Shera Petty, Visit Knoxville. Staff members included Michele Hummel and Robin Thomas.

Event Sponsorship Requests

Individuals representing five events presented requests to the committee. Summary and applications are attached.

Following a discussion of requests, the following are recommended for funding. Recommendations are made based on a variety of factors including expected attendance, request as percentage of event expenses, cost per attendee, previous funding of similar events, consideration of precedent established, potential economic impact to businesses, and others.

Organization	Event	Request	Recommendation
Asian Culture Center Kumi Alderman	Asian Festival	\$20,500	\$5,000
WDVX Anne Williams	Blue Plate Special	\$5,000	\$5,000
City of Knoxville Elaine Frank	Festival on the 4th	\$8,000	\$3,000 Market Square Concert Series
Event Pro LLC Mohit Mankad	Knox Food Fest	\$10,001	\$5,000
Knoxville Community Media Amos Oaks Monika Hancock	Fall Concert Series	\$10,000	-
Total			\$18,000

Recommendation for Board Approval

\$18,000 to be approved as outlined above for Event Sponsorships. Details of FY 21-22 budget is attached.

Notes from the committee about requests:

• \$5,000 for Asian Festival is in line with other one-day cultural festivals that have recently been funded and an increase to previous funding of Asian Festival (\$3,000 in 2019). Although this is presented as a two-day event, the second day is a small film festival held outside of the downtown boundaries.

- The committee felt \$5,000 for Blue Plate Special was appropriate as requested.
- The committee did not feel that funding \$8,000 to help offset the increased cost of 15-minute fireworks for July 4 was justified. In order to support COK events, the committee is recommending that \$3,000 be funded toward the season-long Market Square Concert Series coming back to Market Square. Due to many events being moved to World's Fair Park, DKA has funded few 2021-2022 events in Market Square and felt that the concert series was a better opportunity to support downtown businesses and city-organized events.
- Although the Knox Food Fest is being planned by a for-profit organization, which are typically not
 funded, the committee felt it was important to help get this new festival off the ground. It will be
 communicated to organizers that if this event begins to make a profit, future funding should not be
 expected.
- The committee was very interested in the Fall Concert Series being planned by Knoxville
 Community Media, however felt there was additional information needed. Questions will be
 provided to the organizers and they will be asked to present request again with additional
 information during the July funding cycle.

As a reminder, 50% of each sponsorship payment is made a few weeks prior to the event when it is confirmed that event is happening. The remaining balance is paid following the event and the receipt of a follow-up form about the event.

	Asian Festival	Blue Plate Special	Festival on the 4th	Knox Food Fest	Fall Concert Series
Request	\$20,500	\$5,000	\$8,000	\$10,001	\$10,000
Description	Two-day festival to engage East TN residents and visitors with the cultural traditions originating from the Asian continent.	Daily music broadcast from Knoxville Visitor Center including life performance, broadcast webcast on wdvx.com, and recorded for rebroadcast.	City's celebration of Independence Day including symphony performance, activities, games, food trucks and fireworks.	Two-day international (vegetarian) food and cultural festival including art, music, cooking classes, and more.	Community engagement concert series featuring performing artists who incorporate digital media and/or storytelling into their performances.
Dates	Aug 27 - Central Cinema (outside of district) Aug 28 – World's Fair Park	Year round Tuesday — Saturday 5 days a week Friday at Barley's (outside of district)	July 4	Aug 19 & Aug 20	Sept 8, Oct 13, Nov 10
Location	World's Fair Park	Knoxville Visitors Center	World's Fair Park	. World's Fair Park	Old City Performing Arts Center
History	Prior Years: 8 Funded by DKA: 4	Prior Years: 18 Funded by DKA: 7	Prior Years: n/a Funded by DKA: n/a	New	New
Most Recent Funding	\$3,000 FY 18-19 \$10,000 request	\$5,000 FY 20-21 \$5,000 request	n/a	n/a	n/a
Event Producer	Asian Culture Center	WDVX – Cumberland	City of Knoxville	Event Pro LLC	Knoxville Community Media
Other Sponsors	Boyd Foundation, University of TN, Truist Bank, DENSO, JTEKT, EXEDY, Regal, Sapparo, Metro Knox Airport, Visit Knoxville, TN Art Commission	Barley's, Corp for Public Broadcasting, Walmart, TN Arts Commission, Visit Knoxville	Pilot, Visit Knoxville, Home Federal	Pending	Pending, requests made to Clayton Homes, Aslan Foundations, TN Arts Commissions, Beaty Chevrolet
General Admission	Free	Free	Free	Free	Ticketed - \$12-\$20 range
Expected Attendance	60,000-100,000 including both days	19,000+ in person (pre-pandemic) plus broadcast and webcast	20,000-30,000	13,000-16,000 including both days	Unknown
Total Expenses	\$103,000 (festival only)	\$90,100	\$143,411	\$97,330	Estimated \$35-\$40k
Projected Profit	n/a	Breakeven	(\$98,011)	\$3,920	
Request/% of Exp	19.9%	5.5%	5.6%	10.3%	
Request/Attendee	\$0.26	\$0.26 in person only	\$0.32	\$0.69	
Use of Funds	General expenses	Book, host, promote and engineer show	Increased cost of fireworks	General expenses	General expenses

Dowtown Knoxville Alliance - Event Sponsorships FY 21-22 (as of March 31, 2021)

F: 21-22 (d5 0) Walch 51, 2021)	FY 18-19 Requests	FY 18-19 Funded	FY 19-20 Requests	FY 19-20 Funded	FY 20-21 Requests	FY 20-21 Funded	FY 21-22 Requests	FY 21-22 Funded
Budget		50,000		60,000		60,000		80,000
Previously Approved								
Asian Culture Center of TN - Asian Festival*	10,000	3,000			n/a			
Asian Culture Center of TN - Japanese New Ye		-,			","		5,650	1,000
Big Ears - Big Ears Festival							10,000	10,000
Bike Walk Knoxville - Tour De Lights			4,500	2,500	n/a		2,500	2,500
City of Knoxville - Concerts in the Park			.,	_,	5,000	5,000	2,550	2,500
Downtown Knoxville - Support Now				32,500	n/a	2,000		
Downtown Knoxville - Holiday		9,000		52,500	n/a			
Downtown Knoxville - Peppermint Grove		5,555			10,000	10,000		
Downtown Knoxville - Spring Lighting					10,000	10,000	j	
Dogwood Arts - Arts Festival*	6,000	5,000	6,000		6,000	6,000	6,000	6,000
Dogwood Arts - Chalk Walk*	0,000	5,000	4,000		n/a	0,000	2,500	2,500
Dogwood Arts - Rhythm N' Blooms	5,000	4,000	4,000		n/a		2,500	2,300
Dogwood Arts - Southern Skies *	0,000	4,000	5,000		n/a		5,000	5,000
East TN Historical Society - History Fair *	2,500	2,500	2,000		11,4		3,000	3,000
East TN Historical Society - Children's Gallery		2,300			2,500	2,500		
HoLa Hora Latina - HoLa Festival					5,000	5,000		
IndiaFest Knoxville - IndiaFest			5,000	4,000	3,000	3,000		
Knox Co - Children's Festival of Reading*	3,000	3,000	3,000	4,000	n/a		3,000	3,000
Knox Co - LitUP Teen Literary Festival	2,000	3,000	3,000	3,000	n/a		3,000	3,000
Knox Co - Movies on the Square*	2,500	2,500	2,000	5,000	, -		•	
Knox Entrepreneur Center - Maker City Tour	6,000	2,000			n/a			
Knoxville Opera - Musical Theater Marathon	0,000				4,000	1,500		
Knoxville Opera - Rossini Festival*			25,000		n/a	1,500	20,000	5,000
Knoxville Opera - Spring Regatta			23,000		1,050	_	20,000	3,000
Nourish Knoxville - Farmers' Market	10,000	10,000	10,000	8,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Old City Assn - Dolly Fest	10,000	10,000	10,000	5,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	5,000
Old City Assn - Old City Market	4,500	3,500	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
River & Rail Theatre - 2021-22 Season**	7,500	3,300	3,000	5,000	3,000	5,000	10,000	3,000
TN Stage - Shakespeare on the Square*	2,500	2,500	2,500				10,000	-
Sweet Ps & Balter Beerworks - Jazz Fest*	2,500	2,500	10,000		n/a			
WDVX - Blue Plate Special	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000	5,000		
Approved to Date	57,000	50,000	88,000	60,000	63,550	60,000	89,650	55,000
Balance Prior to Requests		-		-		-	<u></u>	25,000

* Events canceled due to COVID-19. Balance of non-funded events to be use	ed for COVID-19/Support Local initiatives.
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^{**} Board chose to fund ouside of Event Budget.

Requests April 2022	Requests	Proposed
Asian Culture Center of TN - Asian Festival	20,500	5,000
City of Knoxville - Festival on the 4th	8,000	3,000
Event Pro LLC - Knox Food Fest	10,001	5,000
Knoxville Community Media - Fall Concerts	10,000	
WDVX - Blue Plate Special	5,000	5,000
Total Current Requests	53,501	18,000
Remaining Balance		7,000

Downtown Knoxville Alliance Sponsorship Request Application

Event: 9th Knox Asian Festival

Date(s): Aug 27 & 28th

Location: World Fair Park

Produced by: Asian Culture Center of TN

Sponsorship amount requested: 12,000

Event History:

____ First-time event (#) 8 prior years

(#) 4 years of previous Alliance funding

Contact: Kumi Alderman

Phone: 831-241-1189

Address: PO BOX 31793 Knoxville TN 37930

Email: info@knoxasianfestival.com

Event description:

The Asian Culture Center of Tennessee is the only organization of its kind in the Greater Knoxville area. The Knox Asian Festival engages East Tennessee residents and visitors with the vibrant cultural traditions originating from the Asian continent.

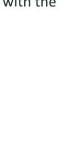
9th Knox Asian Festival is 2 days Festival.

Aug 27th Saturday,

We have film Festival at Central Cinema to learn about Asian Cultures and history.

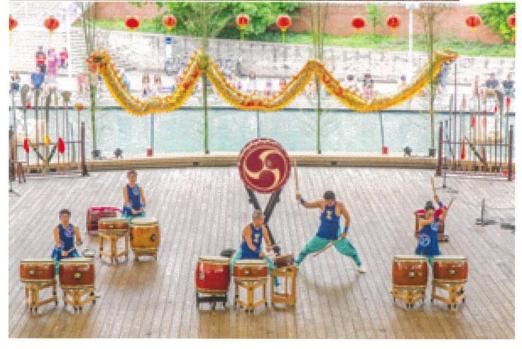
March 28th Sunday from 10AM – 6PM at World Fair parks. We will have a beautiful Festival.

We are especially proud of the featured performance art that includes traditional Chinese, Korean, Vietnamese, Thai, Indian, and Philippine dance. We also showcase various martial arts demonstrations, K-Pop and J-Pop performances, Chinese professional musicians, a bonsai exhibition, a cosplay contest,, a Japanese tea ceremony, and Japanese drummers from Disney World. Many of our artists travel to Knoxville from throughout the United States and various Asian countries to participate in the Festival. ACCT's Big Stage is a special draw as it can accommodate 1,250 Festival goers. Furthermore, the cultural and educational impact on Knoxville's youth is the true value of ACCT and the Festival. By educating the next generation with cultural sensitivity and competency.

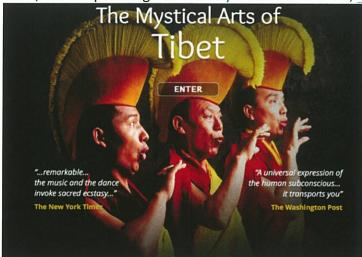








2022, We are planning to invite Mystical Arts of Tibet, http://www.mysticalartsoftibet.org/.



The Asian Festival also includes a strong educational component for children. ACCT recently implemented "Kid's Asian World," where our young visitors travel through streets that are named for Asian countries. In "Knox Epcot" each booth represents a country that features traditional foods, art, culture and interactive activities. When children and adults have their passport stamped at each booth, they experience the differences and similarities between the different cultures represented.

We also will create Business EXPO area to promote Local businesses. This area can be for any businesses to join to meet new contacts.

Planned use of funds requested: \$20,500

(We will treat you as **Platinum Sponsor**. See Benefit) https://www.knoxasianfestival.com/sponsor/

Professional Security Company Hire - \$7,500 Insurance - \$3,500 Advertisement (News paper, Social media) \$2,000 Poster Contest \$500 Country Performance Fee - \$7,000

	Platinum
	\$15,000
Visibility of Sponsorship in Asian Festival TV Promotion	×
Recognition as Major Sponsor During Opening Ceremony	×
4x10 Banner at Main Information	×
5 Minutes of Speech Time on Stage	× .
VIP Seat in Front of the Stage	×
VIP Room Access	×
Logo on Official T-shirts as Major Sponsor	×
Free Display Booth	×
Beer Tickets	×
Official T-shirts	×
3x6 Banner Logo Display at Stage Area	×
Logo Recognition on Website and Flyer	×
Certificate of Appreciation	×

What is the projected attendance for this event? How will actual attendance be measured? Describe the demographics of anticipated attendees.

60,000 – 100,000 attendees for 2 days. We expect more family will join after 2 years cancellation of Festival.

People will join us from GA, FL, KY, NY, OH, OR. And much more (2019 information)

The success of the Knox Asian Festival is measured through a variety of existing and evolving methods. We will have online registration to attend. For the safety reason, we require pre registration to join. Those emails will be used to collect survey data. These surveys determine both qualitative and quantitative measurements of success and are used to gather feedback about highlights, improvements, and general changes for the festival in the coming year.

ACCT also measures the economic outcome of the Festival through several methods. The Festival itself hosts many Asian food, drink, and craft vendors who report sales to the Festival organizers. In addition, local news sources cover the festival, monitoring number of attendees and revenue increases to surrounding neighborhood vendors. Economic benefits are also measured in the popularity of the Festival itself. At Knoxville's Visitors Center, the Knox Asian Festival is listed as one of the four main festival attractions of the city along with flagship events such as Rhythm and Blooms and The Rossini Festival.

Finally, success for the Knox Asian Festival is measured by the expansion of the Asian cultural presence in the Greater Knoxville area. There have been several indications of this trend. For example, there is a marked increase in educational programming in local elementary and middle schools. Asian craft and food classes are growing in popularity among non-Asian populations of the city, and small, family-owned businesses report an expanded and diverse clientele after vendor participation at the Festival.

What opportunities, if any, will be provided for downtown merchants to participate?

We encourage being a commercial Vendor. Depend on the Sponsorship amount, we can provide FREE location at Business EXPO area. Each downtown shop can come to promote their business at World Fair parks. Customers will go to their shop after the Festival.

I want to encourage each downtown business to join us to promote at Business EXPO in the Festival.





How will this event positively impact downtown?

We will bring so many people to Knoxville downtown to spend a night at hotels, Eat at restaurants, Buying the Souvenir. We expect more than \$1M economic impact on Knoxville City. This is 2019 Economic impact report by Visit Knoxville. We expect more.



Economic Impact Report 2019



What effect would lack of Downtown Knoxville Alliance funding have on this event?

We will not be able to hire the Professional Security Company to protect public safety. We will not hire Professional/High end Performers.

Asian Culture Centr of TN Buget	FY2022
REVENUE	
Government Grant	50,000
Foundation	15,000
Corporations	25,000
TN state Grants	25,000
Local government	45000
Vendor Fees	12000
Individual Contributions	20,000
Individual Contributions	20,000
Total CASH Revenue	192,000
Total In kind Revenue	25000
TOTAL REVENUE	217000
EXPENSES	
Salaries	
Director	30,000
JOI Program coordinator	
Clerical/Accounting support	25,000
Personnel Totals	55,000
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Operational Expenses	
General Office supply	1,500
Web Hosting	1100
Advertisement	200
Fundraise Expense (hire Proffessial)	35,000
Insurance	750
Phone	1740
Internet service	840
Total	39630
Festival Event Expense	
Rent World Fair parks	8,000
Performing arts Fee	25,000
Volunteer t-shirt and food	2,500
Security Company Fee	20,000
Insurance	3500
Tent/table rental fee	25,000
Bath room rental fee	2000
VIP room rental and foods	2500
Advertisement	12,000
Poster Contest	500
Asian Film Festival	2,000
Moiall Fill I Collval	103,000
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Out reach Program Expense	
Rental office	
Apartment/ Home for Coordinator	
Foods and Gas	
Program materials	2000
Travel fee	
Insurance	0000
Total	2000
Total Expence	199,630

Marketing Plan

The Festival is publicized in multiple ways, both traditional and modern. The Knox News Sentinel, a local newspaper, has covered the festival and its performers multiple times. Visit Knoxville, the premier website for local events, considers the Asian Festival as a Tennessee Recommended Festival, on par with the Rhythm and Blooms and the Big Ears Festivals. Other area newspapers such as the Daily News, from nearby Maryville, the Japan Press in Atlanta, the Farragut Press, and the Oak Ridger also help with advertising. Local television stations, WBIR, WATE and WVLT plus Community TV of Knoxville are able to reach thousands in the Knoxville area. Every year they interview ACCT to discover the new acts, new foods and plans for the Festival. Radio stations, like WNOX 93.1 are also instrumental in reaching Festival goers. The University of Tennessee, the UT Daily Beacon, remains a steadfast sponsor as they were instrumental in helping to create the Festival five years ago. WUTK, Volunteer Radio, includes the Festival on their Podcasts as well. Posters are hung in public libraries, local schools, sponsor companies and churches. Over 200 road signs are distributed throughout the Greater Knoxville area and 3,000 flyers are given out during a local baseball game promotion. Social Media has become more important as time passes. Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and YouTube are instrumental in spreading word of the Festival. Through these venues photos and videos can be posted and viewed by thousands. ACCT's own website, www.knoxasianfestivla.com, has constant updates regarding the festival as well.

We also became a partner with 4 Radio stations. They will Promote before and on the day of Festival. All 4 radio stations will be on the Festival locations.



Asian Culture Center of Tennessee January 1, 2019 - December 31,2019

Beginning Balance \$1,475

Income: Vendor Fee/ Sales Sponsorships (corporate) Grants Total	\$25,764 \$59250 \$5,290 \$90,304
Expenses: Administrative Marketing Advertisement Fundraising 5K operation fee Festival Operation (include Performing arts contract) School program, Business seminar Total	\$5,488 \$9,835 \$2,766 \$5,902 \$56,673 \$3,191 \$83,855
Ending Balance 2019	\$7,924

^{*}Admin - Chambers, Alliance of non profit, other membership, Tn.gov fee, Non profit registration fee, Communication fee, Office expenses, Supply, Other meetings.

Compliance with T.C.A.5-9-109 by providing information to county Clerk's office as defined in Section 2.6 above.

^{*}Marketing/Advertisement - Newspaper AD, Social media AD, To go to other festivals Fee, Constant contact, Web site maintenance, Vista banner, Poster, Flyer, We hired professional web site making company in 2019 first time.

^{*}Fundraising - Grant writer, Sponsorship relationship, copy

^{*5}K Operation fee - timing contractor, T-shirts, Foods, water,

^{*}Operation Cost -Police Fee (\$40 per hour/per police), EMS, Location Fee, Volunteer water & food, Rental Trucks. Music company fee, Stage decoration, Insurance, Video recording fee, Activity professional Fee, other Contract services

Printing cost, Foods and supply, decoration for festival, Class Teacher contract Fee, Country Booth creator cost, Activity Fee, Material for event Fee, Special Talent contract fee, Video & photographer fee, Equipment: Tent, Table, Music Equipment, Chairs, Toilet, Performing Arts - Inviting higher performing Arts like Japanese Drum from Disney World. Chinese Dancer from NY, Taiwan dancers from Atlanta,

^{*}School Program and Business Seminar - Visit Public schools to share our cultures. Performer fee, Materials for tea ceremony, Donation to Cedar bluff middle school home stay program, Business seminar foods.

Asian Culture Center of Tennessee January 1, 2018 – December 31,2018

Beginning Balance \$0

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Vendor Fee/ Sales Sponsorships (corporate) Grants Total	\$18,698.43 \$24,693.33 \$ 3,420.00 \$46,811.76
Expenses:	
Administrative	\$3,940.18
Advertisement	\$9399.55
Fundraising	\$ 3,479.56
Performing Arts	\$ 9,703.43
Festival Operation Cost	\$17,330.50
Insurance	\$1,867.72
Total	\$45,720.94
Ending Balance 2018	\$1,090.82

^{*}Admin - Chambers, Alliance of non profit, other membership, Tn.gov fee, Non profit registration fee, Communication fee, Office expenses, Supply, Other city meeting,

Performing Arts - Inviting higher performing Arts like Japanese Drum from Disney World. Lion dance from FL. Musicians/Dancers from Nashville.

Advertisement - Newspaper AD, Social media AD, To go to other festivals Fee, Constant contact, Web site maintenance, Vista banner, Poster, Flyer,

Equipment - Tent, Table, Music Equipment, Chairs,

Operation Cost -Police Fee (\$30 per hour/per police), EMS, Toilet, Location Fee, Volunteer water & food, Rental Trucks. Music company fee, Stage decoration, Insurance, Video recording fee, Activity professional Fee, other Contract services Printing cost, Foods and supply, decoration for festival, Equipment, Class Teacher contract Fee, Country Booth creator cost, Activity Fee, Material for event Fee, Special Talent contract fee, Video & photographer fee, Grant writing Fee,

Compliance with T.C.A.5-9-109 by providing information to county Clerk's office as defined in Section 2.6 above.

Downtown Knoxville Alliance Sponsorship Request Application

DOWN TOWN KNOXVILLE

Event: The Blue Plate Special

Date(s): April 1, 2022 – March 31, 2023

Location: Knoxville Visitor Center, 301 S. Gay St and Barley's

Produced by: WDVX - Cumberland Communities Communications Corp

Sponsorship amount requested: \$5000

Event History:

____ First-time event (#) ___18__ prior years

(#) 7 years of previous Alliance funding

Contact: Tony Lawson _____ Phone: 865-544-1029

Address: 301 S. Gay St, Knoxville, TN 37902

Email: tlawson@wdvx.com

Event description: The WDVX's Blue Plate Special is one of Knoxville's most unique cultural assets and attracts thousands of residents, tourists and musicians every year. No other city has a community radio station that provides a live music show nearly every day and exports its programming throughout the world with its live stream and video streaming. The arts performance is presented every Tuesday through Saturday at noon in the Knoxville Visitor Center where WDVX is located. The show is free to attend, is simultaneously broadcast and webcast on wdvx.com, and is recorded for rebroadcast. It is now available most days on Facebook Live. It is also accessible online for two weeks following the broadcast. WDVX recently expanded the Blue Plate Special on Friday, moved it to Barley's, and is calling it the "Big Plate."

WDVX Blue Plate Special performances are booked months in advance and feature a variety of genres, not just the Americana and Bluegrass music that is the core of WDVX programming. This approach gives our community a chance to hear a diversity of talented local musicians and international and touring artists.

Artists receive advance air play as well as the opportunity to perform in a small venue setting with an engaged audience, promote their appearances and CDs and sell their merchandise.

The show is hosted by a WDVX staff member who books the show. A professional sound technician mixes the show for the house audience and radio audience while also recording the program for rebroadcast. The WDVX Blue Plate Special is also an educational opportunity for students to learn how to set up, mix and record live music as well as mic for broadcast. Interns and volunteers take Blue Plate Shows video and upload to the WDVX YouTube channel.

Pre-pandemic about 19,000 people attended the WDVX Blue Plate Special in the calendar quarters with over 1400 artists performing. WDVX is working on rebuilding the audience after the multiple waves of COVID and its variants.

WDVX community radio went on the air in 1997 and since then has been building community through music. Over the years, musicians, music journalists, and recording engineers have told us that the station influenced their decision to over to the area. Visitors to Knoxville express delight at discovering the role WDVX plays in making our city so unexpectedly alive.

We are grateful to Downtown Knoxville Alliance for its role in helping WDVX continue its mission.

Additional sponsors: Barley's in Old City, Corporation for Public Broadcasting, Walmart Foundation, Tennessee Arts Commission and Visit Knoxville.

Planned use of funds requested: Grant funds will be used to help station staff that book, host, promote and engineer the show.

What is the projected attendance for this event? How will actual attendance be measured? Describe the demographics of anticipated attendees.

We project Blue Plate Special attendance in 2022/23 to climb back slowly to previous attendance. A staff member or volunteer performs a head count daily which includes a residential survey. Pre-pandemic the quarterly survey showed that 52% from Knox County including Knoxville, 12% are from the area outside of Knox County (Blount, Anderson, Campbell, Claiborne, Cocke, Grainger, Hamblen, Jefferson, Loudon, Monroe, Morgan, Roane, Scott, and Sevier Counties), and 36% are visitors from outside Eastern Tennessee. In the most recently completed quarter, it was 70%, 11%, and 19% respectively. In June to December 2021, the Blue Plate Special had visitors from most of the 50 states. International travel was limited with travel restrictions, but WDVX looks forward to increased attendance of these guests.

The Blue Plate Special stage is located inside the Knoxville Visitors Center which is conveniently located downtown and has inexpensive parking nearby for visitors. About 25% of the audience members are seniors. Because the Visitors Center is welcoming and accessible, we regularly have groups of developmentally delayed individuals attend the daily shows.

Audience estimates do not take into account the broadcast of webcast audience which is in the thousands. From real time website information we do know that the Blue Plate Special is our most listened to program online. WDVX is counting the Facebook Live audience that makes these accessible to the homebound as well as showcase the live music experience available in Downtown Knoxville.

What opportunities, if any, will be provided for downtown merchants to participate?

WDVX welcomes downtown merchants to participate in the Blue Plate Special and other programs. Downtown merchants are welcome to sponsor this event/program or others which would provide them on air exposure. Additionally, WDVX will use downtown merchants for production support, hospitality and crew meals. Because the show happens during the day, downtown restaurants and merchants will have the opportunity to increase traffic.

How will this event positively impact downtown?

Knoxville has become known as a live music hub among musicians and passionate music fans. WDVX has been influential in nurturing that reputation by playing independent and local musicians on the air and

booking them to play live on the Blue Plate Special and Kids Stuff. The live Blue Plate Special's colorful broadcast history re-enforces that there is something to do all the time in downtown Knoxville and to get out during the workday.

People who attend the Blue Plate Special enjoy downtown restaurants and coffee shops before and after the show, park at local lots, and shop at nearby stores. Downtown residents bring their out-of-town guests to the Blue Plate to show off what is different and cool about their hometown. The show is a basis of community pride and is convenient, accessible and dependable entertainment source for downtown residents.

Another positive impact is the "Downtown Knoxville" underwriting. These announcements will be read during the day which informs listeners about that the downtown is a vibrant place and that they should visit.

What effect would lack of Downtown Knoxville Alliance funding have on this event?

WDVX is a listener supported radio station that relies on individual donations, business underwriters and grants for its existence. In the case of the WDVX Blue Plate Special, DKA grant would help fund staff who book, host, produce and engineer the show. This support also helps the station demonstrate to granting organizations like the Corporation for Public Broadcasting that most of our funding comes from the community through individuals, local business, events, and local and state grants. Your grant is significant to WDVX; we would spend more time fundraising on the air and seeking local business support without it. Having the support of DKA is also an acknowledgement that Knoxville values having a community radio station in downtown and will enable us to approach sponsors with confidence. Further, the Downtown Knoxville Alliance's support for the Blue Plate Special enhances the station's efforts to achieve its mission while meeting DKA's goal of adding to the vibrancy and enjoyment of downtown Knoxville.

Attach the following:

Projected *budget*, including detailed income and expenses Detailed marketing and promotion plans
Previous three year *actual* financial results (if applicable)
Proof of nonprofit status (if applicable)

Downtown Knoxville

6/14/21 - 4/17/22

Support for WDVX comes from Downtown Knoxville. A charming spot full of local businesses and unique experiences. You can connect with what the city has to offer at Downtown Knoxville dot org



The WDVX Blue Plate Special Marketing Plan 2022-23

WDVX is committed to continuing to be a cultural attraction for Knoxville and the region through live music performance, quality programming that make residents take pride in and that also support the creative endeavors of area musicians.

We constantly promote the WDVX Blue Plate Special and its sources of support. The annual value of marketing for the Blue Plate Special is \$51,000 and uses a number of platforms:

- The Blue Plate Special show is promoted at least once every hour on WDVX 89.9, and remote translators 102.9 and 93.9, and on its live stream. Upcoming BPS artists are additionally promoted through airplay.
- A calendar on WDVX.com lists upcoming shows and links to artist videos.
- Artist profiles appear regularly on the WDVX.com calendar and events and are promoted socially.
- · Social media
- o WDVX creates a Facebook post for each day's show, which can send notifications to WDVX's 23,000 followers.
- Show photos are posted on WDVX Facebook page after each day's performance with a regular reach of 1200 users
- o Upcoming shows are promoted to
 - WDVX e-newsletter's 7,000 subscribers
 - 7755 Twitter followers
 - Instagram with 5460 followers finds and follows each Blue Plate Special artist and posts show photos
- o WDVX streams Blue Plate Special performance live on WDVX's Facebook page, the performance is available indefinitely, and places select videos on our YouTube channel

	Annual Budget
WDVX	
Income for The Blue Plate Special	
Corporation for Public Broadcasting	\$29,100.00
Sponsorships (Barley's, Visit Knoxville)	\$24,000.00
Tennesse Arts Commison allocated to BPS	\$3,000.00
Downtown Knoxville Alliance	\$5,000.00
City of Knoxville and Knox County grants allocated to BPS	\$3,500.00
Live show donations	\$1,500
WDVX listener support	\$24,000.00
Total Event Revenue	\$90,100.00

Expenses for The Blue Plate Special	
Hosts/booking allocated to BPS	\$25,500.00
Annougner time allocated to BPS	\$7,500.00
Sound Engineers allocated to BPS	\$25,500.00
Webproducer allocated to BPS	\$4,000.00
Administrative time allocated to BPS	\$2,500.00
Artist Hospitality	\$200.00
Advertising & Promotion	\$1,000.00
nsurance	\$2,000.00
Vebcasting fees, tower rentals, transmission fees, phones	\$5,000.00
T services, server, archive service, web development	\$5,000.00
Equipment and maintance	\$3,000.00
Payroll taxes, health insurance, employee retirement plan	\$8,500.00
Parking	\$400.00
Total Event Expenses	\$90,100.00

The WDVX Blue Plate Special			
Financial History		"-"	-
2019 - 2021			
	2019	2020	2021
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Grants & Sponsorships	\$35,100	\$35,100	\$35,100
Underwriting	\$20,000	\$24,000	\$24,000
Contributions	\$28,500	\$27,500	\$27,500
In-Kind	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500
Revenue Totals	\$87,100	\$90,100	\$90,100
Personnell	\$57,000	\$59,000	\$59,000
Operations	\$25,100	\$26,600	\$26,600
Advertising and Promotion	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000
Equipment and Supplies	\$4,000	\$3,500	\$3,500
Expenses Totals	\$87,100	\$90,100	\$90,100

Downtown Knoxville Alliance Sponsorship Request Application

Sponsorship Request Application		RUM
Event: Festival on the 4th	_	IUW
Date(s): July 4 th , 2022	_	ALLIAN
Location: World's Fair Park, Performance Lawn and	d Festival Law	n
Produced by: City of Knoxville		
Sponsorship amount requested: _\$8000		
Event History:		
First-time event (#) prior years	(#)	years of previous Alliance fundin
Contact: Elaine Frank	Phone:	865-215-2024
Address: 400 Main Street, Suite 578 Email: efrank@knoxvilletn.gov		
Event description: Festival on the 4 th is the City's copen to the public with activities, games, music and 8pm on the Performance Lawn with fireworks endiand people are allowed to bring picnics in and enjoy	d more. Knoxy	ville Symphony Orchestra performs a at 9:30pm. There are food trucks on s
Additional sponsors: Pilot, Visit Knoxville, Home I		
Planned use of funds requested: The funds would l	help pay for th	ne unexpected increase for fireworks

demographics of anticipated attendees.
20,000-30,000 in attendance for activities and music across both lawns. More will come for just the fireworks. People also go to other areas of Downtown to watch the fireworks as they are launched from Henley Street Bridge. We have people of all ages, kids, seniors and in between. Our attendees consist of people who live in Knoxville and those who traveled for a vacation in Knoxville.
What opportunities, if any, will be provided for downtown merchants to participate?
Special Events has an information booth at the event, we could offer information or handouts at the booth
A lot of the attendees will park near Market Square and enjoy a local patio and then come down to the festival
How will this event positively impact downtown?
The fireworks from Festival on the 4 th are seen from all over Downtown and makes for some beautiful photos over our city. Families make this event a yearly tradition, Downtown dwellers enjoy being able to see the fireworks from their balconies. People come from out of town to enjoy this event, as well as locals enjoying spending time in their downtown.
What effect would lack of Downtown Knoxville Alliance funding have on this event?
We may need to look at doing a shorter firework show, or consider smaller fireworks closer to the park.
Attach the following:
Projected budget, including detailed income and expenses Detailed marketing and promotion plans Previous three year actual financial results (if applicable) Proof of nonprofit status (if applicable)

What is the projected attendance for this event? How will actual attendance be measured? Describe the

Marketing & Promotional Plans

Summit Media will be the radio sponsor providing promotional announcements on 4 of their stations as well as station appearance on site with on-site announcements.

WBIR will be the TV sponsor with running ads 2 weeks out about event and on-site interviews

Banners with information and sponsor logos

Webpage at Knoxvilletn.gov/4th with all of the information and sponsor logos

Social media posts using Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter

Income for City of Knoxville's Festival on the 4th	2	022 Budget	2	019 Actual	2	018 Actual	2	017 Actual
Sponsorships	\$	40,000.00	\$	41,000.00	\$	46,000.00	\$	36,000.00
Vendor Fees	\$	5,000.00	\$	5,700.00	\$	5,500.00	\$	6,500.00
Ice Sales	\$	400.00	\$	435.00	\$	635.00	\$	600.00
Total Income	\$	45,400.00	\$	47,135.00	\$	52,135.00	\$	43,100.00

Expenses for City of Knoxville's Festival			Ī					
on the 4th	20)22 Budget	2	019 Actual	2	018 Actual	2	017 Actual
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Services	Ļ	1.055.00	_	1.005.00	<u>_</u>	4.005.00	_	4.005.00
Port-a-lets	\$	1,865.00	\$	1,865.00	\$	1,865.00	\$	1,865.00
Rentals	\$	8,000.00	\$	5,343.90	\$	5,859.41	\$	7,802.57
Fireworks	\$	70,000.00	\$	42,000.00	\$	42,000.00	\$	40,800.00
Sound Services	\$	29,268.00	\$	25,690.00	\$	25,690.00	\$	23,190.00
Stage & Lighting	\$	28,178.00	\$	24,299.00	\$	23,799.00	\$	23,799.00
Security to watch fireworks July 2&3	\$	400.00	١.	-	\$	210.00	\$	384.00
250 Bags of ice and ice chest rentals	\$	900.00	\$	900.00	\$	900.00	\$	900.00
Services Fees Subtotal	\$	138,611.00	\$	100,097.90	\$	100,323.41	\$	98,740.57
Activities								.
Face Painting		_	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,225.00	\$	1,150.00
Balloon Entertainment		-	l	_	\$	1,360.00	\$	500.00
Legos for kids	\$	500.00	\$	400.00	\$	400.00	\$	400.00
Miniature golf	\$	550.00	\$	500.00	\$	500.00	\$	450.00
Water Wars Balloon game	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	1,000.00	\$	850.00
Music Entertainment	\$	2,100.00	\$	2,075.00	\$	2,725.00	\$	2,650.00
Caricature Artist	ľ	-	\$	480.00	\$	480.00	'	,
Family Fun Stage Entertainment					•			
(Amphitheater)		-	\$	1,200.00	\$	1,800.00		-
Bungee Jump & Rock Wall		-	\$	3,740.00		<u>.</u>		-
Shutterbird Photo Bus		_	\$	765.00		<u></u>		-
Activities Fee Subtotal	\$	4,150.00	\$	11,360.00	\$	9,490.00	\$	6,000.00
Giveaways		<u> </u>						
Liberty Hats (Qty 2500)	Parc	chased 2020	\$	2,700.00	\$	2,700.00	\$	3,095.60
Football Dart (Qty 750			\$	1,486.71	Y	-	\$	274.75
Frisbees & Cups		_		<u>.</u>		•	\$	4,439.29
Fans & Tattoos		_		_	\$	3,420.00	۲	-
Giveaways Fee Subtotal	\$	-	\$	4,186.71	\$	6,120.00	\$	7,809.64
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Miscellaneous		250.00		250.00	_	250.00	_	252.22
Photograher	\$	250.00	\$	250.00	\$	250.00	\$	250.00
Staff T-Shirts	\$	400.00	\$	373.71	\$	565.93	\$	195.61
Balloon Columns		-		-	\$	355.06	_	-
Flag Bunting		-			\$	559.20	\$	930.20
Misc Fees Total	\$	650.00	\$	623.71	\$	1,730.19	\$	1,375.81
Total Expense	\$:	143,411.00	\$:	116,268.32	\$	117,663.60	\$	113,926.02

Downtown Knoxville Alliance Sponsorship Request Application

Event: Knox Food Fest

Date(s): August 19th 2022 ---- August 20th 2022

Location: World's Fair Park

Produced by: **Events Pro LLC**

Sponsorship amount requested: __\$10,001.00

Event History:

X First-time event (#) _0___ prior years

(#) ___0__ years of previous Alliance

funding

Contact: Mr. Niraj Doshi Phone: 717-602-4663

Address: 8121 River House Road, Knoxville, TN 37931

Email: info@knoxfoodfest.com

Web Address : https://knoxfoodfest.com/

Event description: International Food & Cultural Festival "Knox Food Fest", Event includes International Food, Promoting Charitable organizations, Cultural Performances, Art, Music, Live Cooking Classes, Shopping and Much more....

Additional sponsors: Awaiting confirmation

Planned use of funds requested: Hosting and Promoting the event to get community participation to celebrate diversity of knoxville community

What is the projected attendance for this event? How will actual attendance be measured? Describe the demographics of anticipated attendees.

Partners of this festival have over 35 years of collective experience to initiate and organize all sizes of community participated events

We were organizing committee leaders of "IndiaFest" @ lenoir city TN and World's Fair park Based on our experience we had 7-10000 attendees for 4-5 hr event on saturdays IndiaFest was marketed thru facebook posts Posters @ UT - ORNL - School system-Library and other public places , Along with above mediums we will have heavy digital media presence engaging community staring now till the event date We are expecting attendees between 13-16000 in two days

Our target audience is Community and Fun loving people of all demographics (we will be offering activities for all age groups @ this event)

What opportunities, if any, will be provided for downtown merchants to participate?

We are inviting all merchants/ Business to participate in this well organized and marketed event , all participating merchants/ Business will be promoted on social media at no cost thru our portals

How will this event positively impact downtown?

When any event is organized @ this scale it is never limited to one area attendees always love to explore other attractions in the area, the fun experienced at an event is always associated with location which triggers visiting same location in search of similar experience we expect that this event has long term influence on visit to downtown

What effect would lack of Downtown Knoxville Alliance funding have on this event?

We will be featuring downton knoxville and all the participating merchants as mentioned above on all marketing avenues

Example of our work on promoting of this event is in this link https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c5GUZrTN05k

Attach the following:

Projected budget, including detailed income and expenses
Detailed marketing and promotion plans
Previous three year actual financial results (if applicable)
Proof of nonprofit status (if applicable)

FOR	COUNT	RATE	INCOME	EXPENCE		
Food Vendor Tents	30	\$1,000.00	\$30,000.00			
Non-Food Tents	20	\$1,000.00	\$20,000.00			
Food Vendor Tents (1st 15)	15	\$750.00	\$11,250.00			
Sponsors	1	\$40,000.00	\$40,000.00			
Stage	1	\$7,000.00		\$7,000.00		
Sails	1	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		
4 panel display	20	\$90.00		\$1,800.00		
Tent Flags with Stand	140	\$40.00		\$5,600.00		
Table	100	\$15.00		\$1,500.00		
Chair	300	\$5.00		\$1,500.00		
Entrance Banners 4x10	3	\$150.00		\$450.00		
Entrance Vertical Flags	20	\$40.00		\$800.00		
Audio Video	1	\$3,000.00		\$3,000.00		
Photography	1	\$2,000.00		\$2,000.00		
Marketing/Advertising	1	\$5,000.00		\$5,000.00		
Flyers/Yard Sign	1	\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00		
Pre, Post, Event Rent	1	\$3,500.00		\$3,500.00		
Custodial (4 A DAY)	8	\$2,040.00		\$16,320.00		
Security (4 A DAY)	8	\$2,040.00		\$16,320.00		
Maintenance (2 A DAY)	4	\$510.00		\$2,040.00		
Payroll (20 A DAY)	40	\$300.00		\$12,000.00		
Event Place Setup	1	\$12,000.00		\$12,000.00		
Event Insurance	1	\$500.00		\$500.00		
			\$101,250.00	\$97,330.00		
PROFIT AND L	OSS >>	>>>	\$3,920.00			

Downtown Knoxville Alliance Sponsorship Request Application



Event:Knoxville Community Media Fall Concert Serie	T UW KNOXVILI
Date(s): Sept 8, Oct 13, Nov 10	ALLIANC
Location: Old City Performing Arts Center	
Produced by: Knoxville Community Media	
Sponsorship amount requested: _\$10,000	
Event History:	
x First-time event (#) prior years	(#) years of previous Alliance funding
Contact: Monika Hancock	Phone:875-556-
Address: 800 S Gay St Suite P336 Knoxville, TN 3792	9
Email: monika@ctvknox.org	

Event description: Knoxville Community Media (KCM) formally Community Television of Knoxville (CTV), Is one of the oldest public access television stations in the nation. After 47 years of serving the local Community, KCM has decided to rebrand and re-envision who we are and what we do.

KCM will continue to offer Public, Educational and Government programming while pursuing a new vision that will help us become an integral part of this community's story. Collaborations with cultural, social, arts and educational organizations and our relationships with the citizens and government bodies of Knoxville and Knox County will support free thought, free expression, creativity, activism, education and leadership. The stories you tell are a part of our goal to create connections that help us gain a deeper understanding of each other through information, entertainment and participation.

As an organization whose foundation is media, KCM wants to build Community on that foundation through these stories. By cablecasting, publishing, social media and person yo person dialogue, display and performance, KCM feels that these forms of communication will nurture empathy and engagment.

In the coming months, KCM will present exciting new programming that will include Community workshops, film screening, art exhibitions and much more. One event we are most excited to present is our Community Engagement Concert Series.

This series of events will feature performing artists who incorporate digital media and/or storytelling into their performance. Occurring on the second Thursday of each month in September, October and November, the concerts will have multiple goals:

To engage the community through the simple act of preserving relevant entertainment.

or informative storytelling with us.
To encourage storytelling and creativity in our community. To offer a free experience to a number of at risk youth who are focusing on arts in Knox County High
Schools.
To promote digital arts in the community.
To potentially secure capital for other workshops, performances, residences, programming and operations for KCM.
operations for KCIVI.
Additional sponsors: We continue to work to secure funding and sponsors for this event. We have
submitted several grant requests as well as sponsor asks from corporations such as Clayton Homes, The Aslan Foundation, Tennessee Arts Commission, Beaty Chevrolet
Asian Foundation, Fermessee Arts commission, Beaty enevroiet
Planned use of funds requested: The requested funds will help offset the cost of artist fees and well as
marketing and promotional expenses.
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What is the projected attendance for this event? How will actual attendance be measured? Describe the
demographics of anticipated attendees.
The concert series will be open to the public but will focus of residents of Knox County. Attendance will
be measured by the number of tickets sold as well as comp (sponsored) tickets. The demographic would
be a mixture of everyone. We are working with Knox Area high schools, in hopes to draw the interest
and participation of Knox County students involved with art programs.

To raise awareness for KCM and encourage the community to actively participate in their own creative

We are working on a plan and list of downtown business to possibly offer discounts to concert attendees.
attenuees.
How will this event positively impact downtown?
Not only will it bring much needed funding and awareness to KCM, it will also generate revenue for Downtown Knoxville business on event days as well as into the weekend for concert attendees that chose to stay for the weekend.
What effect would lack of Downtown Knoxville Alliance funding have on this event? The impact would be huge. This is a first time event so funding has been somewhat of a challenge

Attach the following:

Projected *budget*, including detailed income and expenses Detailed marketing and promotion plans
Previous three year *actual* financial results (if applicable)
Proof of nonprofit status (if applicable)



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT CONCERT SERIES 2022

BUDGET BREAKDOWN FOR: OCTOPUS PROJECT | THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2022 8PM

VENUE: OLD CITY PERFORMING ARTS CENTER | \$1000 SOUND: JASON BOARDMAN, PILOT LIGHT | \$1000

PERFORMER FEE: \$8,000

PERFORMER EXPENSES: \$2,000

MARKETING: \$1000

SCHOLARSHIP TICKETS FOR AT-RISK YOUTH IN KCS ARTS: \$500

SECURITY: \$200

APPROXIMATE BUDGET: \$13,700