You can assist in communicating the value of arts and the stories of its impact in our community and our state. State and federal funding of the arts in Iowa is the responsibility of your elected officials. It’s important they hear from Dubuque creatives who are working in and are passionate about the arts. Learn how to contact your elected officials and communicate the value and impact of the funding you have received using the resources below.

Find your State Senators and Representatives
Find your Federal Senators and Representatives

Sample Letter to Your Legislators

(Date)
(Organization Name)
(Organization Address)

The Honorable (Name of your State Senator or Representative)
(Iowa House of Representatives OR Iowa Senate)
(Home Address of State Senator or Representative)

Dear (Senator________ or Representative __________),

I am pleased to inform you that (Name of Organization) has received a subgrant of $ (Amount of subgrant) from the City of Dubuque, serving as a Local Arts Agency, thanks to funding from National Endowment for the Arts Local Arts Agency Subgranting Program supported by the American Rescue Plan Act. As a recipient of an Arts Operating Recovery subgrant, we wish to thank you for your support of public funding for the arts through the appropriation to the National Endowment for the Arts American Rescue Plan Act.
OurArts Operating Recovery subgrant will support (Brief statement of the use of funds). (Describe the positive impact on Iowa's artistic or cultural vitality, public value, and the number of people your project will serve. Describe the importance of public funding for the arts to your project and community.)

On behalf of (Name of Organization), I would like to invite you to attend (Name of Project), which will be held on (Time, Day, Date at Location). For more information, please contact (Organization Contact Name) at (Phone, Fax, Email Address, and/or Website).

Sincerely,

(Signature)
(Typed Name, Title at Organization)