

Other Cultural Activities

Organizations: 820050 - 820100

	2011/12 Actual	2012/13 Current	2013/14 Requested	2013/14 Approved	Percent Change
Revenues					
Miscellaneous	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0%
General Fund	497,450	536,000	597,008	545,500	2%
Total	\$497,450	\$536,000	\$597,008	\$545,500	2%
Expenses					
Historical Museum	\$69,950	\$72,000	\$75,000	\$75,000	4%
National Register	0	4,000	4,000	4,000	0%
Newton-Conover Auditorium	11,400	12,000	12,000	12,000	0%
Old Post Office Playhouse	0	0	40,000	0	0%
Patrick Beaver Library	185,250	205,000	223,008	207,500	1%
Salt Block Foundation	95,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	0%
United Arts Council	135,850	143,000	143,000	147,000	3%
Total	\$497,450	\$536,000	\$597,008	\$545,500	2%

Budget Highlights

The County provides annual funding to the United Arts Council, the designated County partner appointed by the North Carolina State Legislature to receive State funds, match them with local government funds, and sub-grant them for cultural projects in Catawba County. Catawba County Funds are used to match North Carolina Grassroots Arts Funds for Projects Pool Grants.

Both the Salt Block (which houses the Arts and Science Center, the Hickory Museum of Art, the United Arts Council and funded affiliates) and the Newton-Conover Auditorium receive County funding toward the upkeep and maintenance of these facilities. Annual funding is also provided through the Catawba County Historical Association for the Historical Museum operating costs and for the National Register of historic properties in the County.

The budget continues funding to Patrick Beaver Library which allows County residents who live outside the City of Hickory to use the library free of charge. County and City library staff also partner to provide library programming and services to citizens.