

City of Takoma Park  
**GRANTS REVIEW COMMITTEE**  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, June 17, 2015

The City of Takoma Park Grants Review Committee met on Wednesday, June 17, 2015, in the Sam Abbott Citizen's Center Auditorium, Takoma Park Community Center, 7500 Maple Avenue, Takoma Park.

**Members Present:** Akena Allen, Elizabeth Boyd, Gary Cardillo, Lesley Perry, and Jennifer Wofford

**Members Absent:** Franca Brilliant and Pamela Coffey

**Staff Present:** Rosalind Grigsby

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 7:34 pm.

**2. Minutes – May 20, 2015**

Minutes from the previous meeting were accepted.

**3. FY16 Community Grants Program – Application review**

The committee began our discussion with the Cultural/STEM applications. After agreeing to set aside the applications rated as “low” priority for funding in the previous meeting, we focused on the applications that submitted answers to our questions. Please see the spreadsheet “GRC 6-17-15 tally” for decisions made in the meeting.

Action:

- Committee members will meet again to complete the application review, tentatively on July 1, 2015, at 7:30.

**4. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 9:33 pm.

Respectfully Submitted  
Lesley Perry, Grants Review Committee Secretary

	Ranking/ Decision	Grant Program	Requested funding	Proposed award	Reasoning	\$95,600	\$ 69,400
Historic Takoma	high	Capital Project	\$22,000				
Montgomery Housing Partnership	high	Capital Project	\$22,000				
<b>Suggested total: \$23,000</b>			<b>\$44,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>			
Adventist Community Services	no	Cultural/STEM	\$7,000		Reasoning for decision was not thoroughly discussed. To be determined at next meeting.		
Athena Theater	no	Cultural/STEM	\$15,000		While the applicant answered completely and the committee agreed that they have a great idea, we were ultimately concerned with their ability to carry out the project.		
CHEER	medium	Cultural/STEM	\$15,000	\$15,000	Fund, pending receipt of a formal MOU or LOI		
Dance Exchange	no	Cultural/STEM	\$15,000		Program/Operational Support application to be funded		
Docs in Progress	yes	Cultural/STEM	\$4,100	\$4,100			
Montgomery Housing Partnership	yes	Cultural/STEM	\$6,500	\$6,500			
OTBA	no	Cultural/STEM	\$15,000		Would have a more competitive application if they were to secure larger amount of funding from the business community		
Rhizome DC	yes	Cultural/STEM	\$15,000	\$15,000			
Takoma Ensemble	yes	Cultural/STEM	\$15,000	\$15,000			
Takoma/Langley Crossroads	yes	Cultural/STEM	\$10,000	\$10,000			
<b>Suggested Total: \$62,000</b>			<b>\$117,600</b>	<b>\$65,600</b>			
Adventist Community Services	no	Program/Operational Support	\$15,000				
CHEER	high	Program/Operational Support	\$30,000				
Crossroads Community Food Network	medium	Program/Operational Support	\$30,000				
Dance Exchange	yes	Program/Operational Support	\$30,000	\$30,000			
Docs in Progress	low	Program/Operational Support	\$7,500				
EduCare	high	Program/Operational Support	\$30,000				
New Hampshire Gardens	low	Program/Operational Support	\$3,800				
OTBA	low	Program/Operational Support	\$2,500				
Takoma Park Middle School Difference Makers	high	Program/Operational Support	\$3,500				
<b>Suggested Total: \$80,000</b>			<b>\$152,300</b>	<b>\$30,000</b>			
<b>Total Funding: \$165,000</b>							