



FY25 Grants

As of Jun 20 2025

Senator John C. Velis

Creative Individuals

	Recipient Name	City	Grant Amount
1	Angelique Baker	Easthampton	\$5,000
2	Ben Brody	Southampton	\$5,000
3	Catherine Barba	Westfield	\$5,000
4	David Levy	Easthampton	\$5,000
5	Evan Arntzen	Easthampton	\$5,000
6	Gabriela Bustamante	Easthampton	\$5,000
7	Jeannette Rivera	Westfield	\$5,000
8	Jon Beacham	Easthampton	\$5,000
9	Kelly Veilleux	Westfield	\$5,000
10	Lena McCarthy	Easthampton	\$5,000
11	Maricela Garcia	Holyoke	\$5,000
12	McCoy Jamison	Easthampton	\$5,000
13	Paul Ortega	Westfield	\$5,000
14	Sage Sherburne	Holyoke	\$5,000
15	Santiago Colas	Easthampton	\$5,000
16	Sarah de Araujo	Holyoke	\$5,000
Creative Individuals Total			\$80,000



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Creative Projects for Schools

	Recipient Name	City	Grant Amount
17	Agawam High School	Agawam	\$5,000
18	Agawam Public Schools	Agawam	\$5,000
19	De la Luz Soundstage	Holyoke	\$5,000
20	Easthampton High School	Easthampton	\$5,000
21	Hilltown Cooperative Charter Public School	Easthampton	\$5,000
22	Holyoke Community Charter School	Holyoke	\$5,000
23	Holyoke High School	Holyoke	\$5,000
24	Mountain View School	Easthampton	\$5,000
25	N.E.A.R.I. School	Easthampton	\$5,000
26	Paper Mill Elementary School	Westfield	\$5,000
27	Roberta G. Doering School	Agawam	\$5,000
28	Tatham Elementary School	West Springfield	\$5,000
Creative Projects for Schools Total			\$60,000

Cultural District Investment Grants

	Recipient Name	City	Grant Amount
29	Cottage Street Cultural District	Easthampton	\$15,000



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30	Downtown Westfield Cultural District	Westfield	\$15,000
31	Holyoke Puerto Rican Cultural District	Holyoke	\$15,000
Cultural District Investment Grants Total			\$45,000

Cultural Investment Portfolio

	Recipient Name	City	Grant Amount
32	Community Adolescent Resource & Education Center	Holyoke	\$39,200
33	Country Dance and Song Society	Easthampton	\$22,200
34	Massachusetts International Festival of the Arts	Holyoke	\$10,600
35	Pioneer Valley Ballet Guild	Easthampton	\$9,500
Cultural Investment Portfolio Total			\$81,500

Festivals & Projects

	Recipient Name	City	Grant Amount
36	50 Arrow Gallery	Easthampton	\$2,500
37	ArtWorks of Westfield	Westfield	\$2,500
38	Attack Bear Press	Easthampton	\$2,500
39	Chinese Association of Western Massachusetts	West Springfield	\$2,500
40	Ethnic Study	Holyoke	\$2,500



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41	Greater Holyoke YMCA	Holyoke	\$2,500
42	Holyoke Art	Holyoke	\$2,500
43	Holyoke Community College Foundation	Holyoke	\$2,500
44	Holyoke Preservation Trust	Holyoke	\$2,500
45	Irish Cultural Center of Western New England	West Springfield	\$2,500
46	LOCULUS Collective	Holyoke	\$2,500
47	Nuestras Raices	Holyoke	\$2,500
48	OneHolyoke Community Development Corporation	Holyoke	\$2,500
49	Print Shop	Holyoke	\$2,500
50	Resilient Community Arts	Easthampton	\$2,500
51	Unbroken Wings	Westfield	\$2,500
52	Warriors's Art Room	Easthampton	\$2,500
53	Westfield Fair Association	Westfield	\$2,500
54	Westfield Woman's Club	Westfield	\$2,500
55	Wistariahurst Museum Association	Holyoke	\$2,500
56	World and Eye Arts Center	Easthampton	\$2,500
Festivals & Projects Total			\$52,500

Gaming Mitigation Fund

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57	Majestic Theater	West Springfield	\$6,800
58	Unbroken Wings	Westfield	\$6,000
Gaming Mitigation Fund Total			\$12,800

Local Cultural Councils

	Recipient Name	City	Grant Amount
59	Agawam Cultural Council	Agawam	\$24,900
60	Chicopee Cultural Council	Chicopee	\$71,600
61	Easthampton Cultural Council	Easthampton	\$16,500
62	Holyoke Local Cultural Council	Holyoke	\$66,200
63	Montgomery Cultural Council	Montgomery	\$5,700
64	Russell Cultural Council	Russell	\$5,700
65	Southampton Cultural Council	Southampton	\$6,900
66	West Springfield Arts Council	West Springfield	\$26,000
67	Westfield Cultural Council	Westfield	\$45,300
Local Cultural Councils Total			\$268,800

Operating Grants for Organizations

	Recipient Name	City	Grant Amount
68	Children's Museum at Holyoke	Holyoke	\$10,900



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69	CitySpace	Easthampton	\$6,700
70	Easthampton City Arts	Easthampton	\$6,200
71	Holyoke Community Media	Holyoke	\$12,800
72	Nueva Esperanza	Holyoke	\$12,000
73	Westfield on Weekends	Westfield	\$6,000
Operating Grants for Organizations Total			\$54,600

Universal Participation Innovation Fund

	Recipient Name	City	Grant Amount
74	Pioneer Valley Ballet Guild	Easthampton	\$5,000
Universal Participation Innovation Fund Total			\$5,000

YouthReach

	Recipient Name	City	Grant Amount
75	Community Adolescent Resource & Education Center	Holyoke	\$22,000
YouthReach Total			\$22,000
Senator John C. Velis Total			\$682,200
Grand Total			\$682,200