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**REPORT TO ARTS COMMISSION  
MEETING OF WEDNESDAY, JUNE 22, 2022**

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**SUBJECT**     **CRD Arts & Culture: 2021 Progress Report**

**ISSUE SUMMARY**

Presentation of the CRD Arts & Culture: 2021 Progress Report to the Capital Regional District (CRD) Board on July 13, 2022.

**BACKGROUND**

Presented annually, the CRD Arts & Culture Progress Report provides a glimpse into the social, economic, and artistic impact of the CRD Arts & Culture Support Service.

The 2021 Progress Report presents information through infographics, statistics and storytelling around two broad themes: 1) accomplishments by CRD Arts and Culture with a spotlight on the twenty years since the responsibility for arts programming and policy development was transferred to the CRD, and 2) the connection between arts to health and wellbeing.

Given the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic through 2021, and with 93% of Project Grant audiences attending programming online, the storytelling aspects of the report touch on adaptations through digital and outdoor presentations.

**IMPLICATIONS**

Once the 2021 Progress Report is presented at the CRD Board meeting on July 13, 2022, physical copies will be distributed to both participating and non-participating jurisdictions and available to non-profit organizations. The arts sector and general public will be invited to read the report through visual content developed for social media, a media release and the CRD website.

**CONCLUSION**

The 2021 Progress Report provides a glimpse into the crucial impact of CRD Arts and Culture funding through non-profit organizations. Once the 2021 Progress Report is presented at the CRD Board meeting on July 13, 2022, physical copies will be distributed to both participating and non-participating jurisdictions and available to non-profit organizations.

**RECOMMENDATION**

There is no recommendation. This report is for information only.

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**ATTACHMENT**

Appendix A: CRD Arts and Culture: 2021 Progress Report