



Many thanks to all of our residents who participated in our community input survey. The following is the survey and at the bottom you'll find the results.

Dover Cultural Council Community Input Survey

The **Dover Cultural Council** is collecting opinions to help us set our funding priorities for the next three years. Please take a moment to complete this survey. Thank you!

1. Were you aware that artists, schools and community groups may apply for grants from the Dover Cultural Council? 44% Yes 56% No (from 96 responses)

2. How do you hear about cultural activities that interest you? (Actual count)
 - 81 Local paper
 - 11 Town website
 - 28 Notices at the library
 - 4 Cable access channel
 - 3 Local arts newsletter
 - 57 Word of mouth
 - 25 Other: library email (1), wrote grant (1), Historical Society (1), School email (5), COA (4), Dover Mother's (2), Chickering PTO (1), Sign in Town Ctr. (6), Internet (4)

3. What should be the most important priorities that our council should consider for funding? Please rank at least your top three recommendations, with "1" for most important, "2" for the next, etc.
 - Professional development of local artists through community projects
 - Nature, science, environmental education projects
 - Arts education in the schools
 - Restoration or preservation projects
 - Communitywide gatherings: festivals, concerts, plays
 - Field trips for students to museums or performances
 - Projects celebrating local history, cultural diversity
 - Support for community arts and cultural organizations
 - Youth arts programs outside of school
 - Local cable programming
 - Other: _____

(See chart for responses)

4. Do you have any additional comments or suggestions for the Dover Cultural Council?

- Doing a great job!
- My priorities are based on different age groups within the town
- Fund Open Fields Performances
- Dover Historical Society can use funding
- You should get a Twitter account and a facebook presence to help you reach a wider audience effectively & inexpensively
- Field trip to see real crafts – glass blowing, pottery making, and working farm, woodworking for youngsters to see how things are made, produces, by real people in their own environs
- Appreciate your past & future contributions to the Dover COA
- Any way the schools or “Friends of the library” could send an email to direct us to a link announcing DCC events/news? Or ask us if we want to be sent an email (maybe ask in local paper with instructions on where to send our email address)
- No, but thanks for all that you do.
- I did not know you existed!
- Can the DCC sponsor a production or show during Dover Days?
- Boston has so many top quality artists – I would like to see concerts that would be of interest to Dover residents of all ages.
- Could we label some trees/shrubs on town land (as arboreta do) & catalogue them on town website? Young and old could learn the names of woody plants from these labels. Labeling herbaceous plants could be done later, probably as they are planted or annually.
- Many thanks for working on this
- I had no idea there was a council!

Thank you for participating in this survey!

Category	Rating	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Professional development of local artists through community projects		3	4	4	1	1	12
Nature, science, environmental education projects		9	9	11	4	2	35
Arts education in the schools		25	7	5	5	1	43
Restoration or preservation projects		9	8	13	3	1	34
Communitywide gatherings: festivals, concerts, plays		15	24	13	3	3	58
Field trips for students to museums or performances		4	10	3	3	0	20
Projects celebrating local history, cultural diversity		7	10	13	6	4	40
Support for community arts and cultural organizations		18	13	13	3	5	52
Youth arts programs outside of school		3	5	9	4	4	25
Local cable programming		0	1	3	1	1	6
Other (COA Program)		2					2

(Actual Count of Responses)