#### Q1 What is your Minnesota county? Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Pennington, Polk, Red Lake, or Roseau.

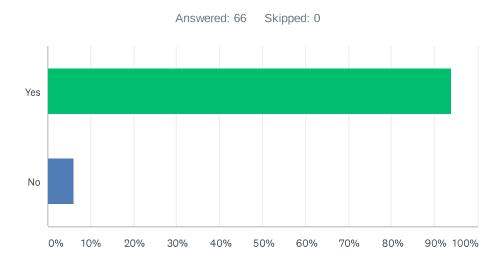
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9	Marshall	10/13/2020 7:37 AM
10	Roseau	10/5/2020 9:30 AM
11	Kittson	9/22/2020 8:33 AM
12	Pennington	9/16/2020 11:42 AM
13	roseau	9/16/2020 11:41 AM
14	Kittson	9/15/2020 2:14 PM
15	Marshall	9/15/2020 8:33 AM
16	Roseau	9/11/2020 12:47 AM
17	Marshall	9/10/2020 4:44 PM
18	Kittson	8/31/2020 12:55 PM
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20	Kittson	8/2/2020 8:45 PM
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44	marshal	11/11/2019 4:54 PM		
45	Polk	10/31/2019 10:06 AM		
46	Pennington	10/30/2019 6:19 PM		
47	Kittson	10/29/2019 11:10 AM		
48	Roseau	10/3/2019 10:46 AM		
49	Marshall	9/30/2019 4:17 PM		
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62	Kittson	7/22/2019 9:22 PM		
63	Pennington	7/17/2019 1:17 PM		
64	Pennington	7/17/2019 8:59 AM		
65	Kittson	7/16/2019 11:41 AM		
66	Pennington	7/2/2019 3:38 PM		

#### Q2 To which of the following NWMAC grant categories did you and/or your organization apply since July 2019? (check all that apply)

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Arts Legacy Grant: regular, school residency, general operating	62%	41
Arts Project Grant: regular, arts equipment for schools	30%	20
Individual adult artist \$5,000; \$1,500 or a quick turnaround \$500 grant	32%	21
Individual student (under age 18) artist grant/scholarship	0%	0
We/I did apply but I don't know which category	0%	0
We/I did NOT apply for any grants and I am not interested in grants	0%	0
I/We did not apply for grants but we did look over what is available.	0%	0
Total Respondents: 66		

#### Q3 Have you or your organization received at least one Arts Council grant or award since 2017?



# Q4 Rate the importance of our office providing this grant program or award to our region. Only rate the programs that you have first hand knowledge or have applied to.

	NOT AS IMPORTANT	IMPORTANT	VERY IMPORTANT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Arts Legacy Grant: regular up to \$10,000 grant	2% 1	7% 3	91% 42	46	2.89
Arts Legacy Grant: school residency first come, first served \$2,100 grant	9% 3	15% 5	76% 26	34	2.68
Arts Legacy Grant: general operating for non-profit arts organizations	8%	30% 12	63% 25	40	2.55
Arts Project Grant: regular up to \$3,000 grant	0% 0	21% 9	79% 33	42	2.79
Arts Project Grant: arts equipment for schools up to \$3,000 grant	14% 5	11% 4	74% 26	35	2.60
Artist \$5,000 Fellowship Grant	15% 5	29% 10	56% 19	34	2.41
Artist \$1,500 Project Grant	3% 1	31% 11	66% 23	35	2.63
Artist \$500 Quick Turn Around Grant	7% 3	27% 11	66% 27	41	2.59
Student Artist Training Grant \$500	19% 6	29% 9	52% 16	31	2.32
NW MN Art Exhibit Cash Awards	21% 7	30% 10	48% 16	33	2.27

# Q5 The following statements deal with how easy it is for you to get the information you need in order to decide whether to apply for one of the Arts Council grants.

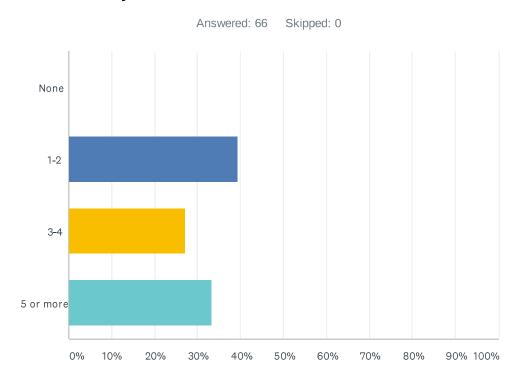
	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Grant deadlines are published well in advance	53% 35	41% 27	6% 4	0% 0	0% 0	0% 0	66	4.47
Grant categories and guidelines are clear and easily understood	36% 24	50% 33	11% 7	3% 2	0% 0	0%	66	4.20
Information sessions are offered at convenient times and places	27% 18	18% 12	33% 22	5% 3	0% 0	17% 11	66	3.68
You Tube grant-writing sessions are effective in providing needed information	9% 6	21% 14	24% 16	0% 0	0% 0	45% 30	66	3.39
Grant-writing workshops are effective in providing needed information	17% 11	26% 17	24% 16	0% 0	0% 0	33% 22	66	3.59
Staff promptly and knowledgeably answers my questions	71% 47	23% 15	5% 3	0% 0	2% 1	0% 0	66	4.62

#### Q6 Now please give your opinion of the Arts Council grant application and award process. Please only answer if applicable otherwise leave blank.

	EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	DON'T KNOW	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Staff assistance in creating a strong application	56% 35	35% 22	5% 3	0% 0	3% 2	62	3.48
Ease of submitting required application materials	48% 31	44% 28	8% 5	0% 0	0%	64	3.41
Fairness of panel deliberations	57% 34	32% 19	2% 1	0%	10% 6	60	3.45
Timeliness of decision notifications	59% 39	33% 22	8% 5	0% 0	0% 0	66	3.52
Availability of panel comments	33% 20	26% 16	10% 6	2% 1	30% 18	61	2.90

#	PLEASE COMMENT ON ANY OF THE ABOVE	DATE
1	I have done this process for so many years, that I don't need much help. It has evolved into a much simpler process since first doing it many years ago.	8/2/2020 8:45 PM
2	The online form is cumbersome, as one has to plough through s much irrelevant material about various other options before getting to the info specific to the desired grant.	10/31/2019 10:06 AM
3	I'm not sure what the panel comments are.	10/30/2019 6:19 PM
4	Mara in very knowledgeable and willing to give advice	9/26/2019 2:33 PM
5	Everything was great , but sometimes could't promptly get answers to questions I had.	9/8/2019 8:45 PM
6	How do I get the panel comments?	7/22/2019 9:22 PM

### Q7 How many grant awards have you or your organization received from your Arts Council since 2017?



## Q8 Please indicate how well our Northwest Minnesota Arts Council has administered your grant. Please answer only if applicable. Otherwise leave blank.

EXCELLENT	GOOD	FAIR	POOR	DON'T KNOW OR N/A	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
85%	12%	3%	0%	0%		
55	8	2	0	0	65	3.82
64%	31%	2%	0%	3%		
39	19	1	0	2	61	3.62
48%	44%	6%	0%	2%		
31	28	4	0	1	64	3.42
70%	19%	6%	0%	5%		
45	12	4	0	3	64	3.64
61%	26%	0%	0%	13%		
37	16	0	0	8	61	3.61
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#### Q9 In general, how are your current Arts Council grant(s) going?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Excellent	78%	51
Good	22%	14
Fair	0%	0
Poor	0%	0
TOTAL		65

#	WHAT SUCCESSES AND/OR DIFFICULTIES ARE YOU EXPERIENCING?	DATE
1	We appreciate the flexibility with COVID and grant reporting and completions.	12/26/2020 7:30 PM
2	We are grateful to continue a tradition of programming, due to your support.	10/29/2020 6:33 PM
3	covid-19	9/11/2020 12:47 AM
4	I am worried what Covid-19 will do to the whole process. I still need to keep getting new instruments and that part will work, but the actual artists grants have me worried.	8/2/2020 8:45 PM
5	Now with illustrations completed working on finding publisher.	8/2/2020 3:42 PM
6	The covid relief \$ that were available as a quick turnaround were extremely helpful in my ability to continue as an artist. \$500 is not a lot of money but the timing was so essential it was really impactive to me.	7/9/2020 10:18 AM
7	cancelling of shows. Big drop in income.	6/30/2020 7:18 AM
8	Covid 19 put three of our residencies on hold. It will work!	5/27/2020 1:12 PM
9	We are always excited and happy when we receive!	2/10/2020 1:56 PM
10	Attendance is stable. We are working to provide more facilities for activities.	1/12/2020 1:14 AM
11	Sometimes the electronic forms can be confusing.	12/30/2019 4:46 PM
12	Above average turnouts to all programming	12/19/2019 2:57 PM
13	We are experiencing difficulties in funding our project even with the grant with rising costs. We have discussed with Arts Council staff the possibility of further funding and may be applying for a project grant.	11/21/2019 6:10 PM
14	Confusion about applicability of various requests; trying to complete online forms on a smart phone very cumbersome	10/31/2019 10:06 AM
15	It was very cumbersome the first time. With staff help, I understand it better.	10/30/2019 6:19 PM
16	We are thankful for the success of our Project"Write On" essays published in our Local Newspaper.	10/3/2019 10:46 AM
17	It is good to have this assistance available.	9/30/2019 8:36 AM
18	We have great instructors and turn out for our classes offered.	9/24/2019 8:30 AM
19	As I am getting more involved, it is becoming easier. I believe the training sessions will be helpful to understand more of the process.	7/25/2019 10:25 PM
20	Great support for our small school!! Thank you!!	7/16/2019 11:41 AM

Q10 If you have participated in the following services specific to the NWMAC, please rate your overall satisfaction from rarely to excellent.

	RARELY SATISFIED	25% SATISFIED	50% SATISFIED	75% SATISFIED	100% EXCELLENT	N/A HAVEN'T USED THIS SERVICE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Northwest Minnesota Art Exhibit Overall	0%	0%	2% 1	10% 6	24% 15	65% 40	62	4.64
Annual Artist Reception with recognition of our "Of the Year" Award Winners and Exhibit Award Winners	0% 0	0% 0	2% 1	8% 5	18% 11	72% 44	61	4.59
Exhibits at our East Grand Forks Gallery	0% 0	0% 0	3% 2	2% 1	23% 14	72% 44	61	4.71
Art and Wine Walk Events at our East Grand Forks Gallery	0%	0% 0	2% 1	5% 3	12% 7	82% 49	60	4.55
Artists of Northwest Minnesota booklets	0%	3% 2	3% 2	8% 5	38% 23	48% 29	61	4.53
Facebook for NWArtsCouncil	0%	2% 1	5% 3	18% 11	34% 21	42% 26	62	4.44
Other social media like Twitter, YouTube, Instagram, Pinterest	0% 0	0% 0	3% 2	7% 4	13% 8	77% 47	61	4.43
Radio spots on Pioneer 90.1	0% 0	0% 0	6% 4	16% 10	35% 22	43% 27	63	4.50
Shared arts equipment check-out like display racks, easels, etc.	0% 0	2% 1	0% 0	2% 1	7% 4	90% 53	59	4.33
Grant information workshops and training for board development	0% 0	3% 2	0% 0	8% 5	27% 16	62% 37	60	4.52
Work of Art workshops and networking sessions	0%	0% 0	3% 2	7% 4	16% 10	74% 45	61	4.50

# Q11 Please rate the quality of the following services provided by the NWMAC and designed to strengthen the arts in Minnesota as compared to other Regional Arts Councils or the State or other States.

	POOR	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT	DON'T KNOW OR N/A	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Publication of directories or registries of artists and/or organizations	2% 1	0% 0	24% 15	37% 23	37% 23	62	2.97
Communication: Newsletters, brochures, etc.	0% 0	8% 5	34% 21	39% 24	19% 12	62	3.11
Sponsoring exhibits/performances of local artists' work	0% 0	3% 2	18% 11	44% 27	34% 21	61	3.07
Workshops/conferences for organizations and artists	0% 0	3% 2	26% 16	27% 17	44% 27	62	2.81
Arts Council website	2% 1	3% 2	36% 23	52% 33	8% 5	64	3.38
Publicity services: press releases, website listings, etc.	0% 0	5% 3	24% 15	37% 23	35% 22	63	2.97
Public advocacy for the arts	0% 0	2% 1	17% 11	63% 40	19% 12	64	3.42

#### Q12 What kinds of opportunities or services such as those listed in the question above would you like to see continue or be added in the future?

#	RESPONSES	DATE
# 1	All are great and using in a virtual way is wonderful in these strange times.	12/26/2020 7:32 PM
2	We would love to be invited to view or attend more events/opportunities for our artistic region in the future. We often don't find the information in time.	10/29/2020 6:49 PM
3	A class for school administrators to help them understand the arts programs. Athletics are more relatable to most administrators - it would be nice if they could relate to us a little better.	10/28/2020 3:45 PM
4	all of the above	10/26/2020 1:14 PM
5	all and moreI would also like to see the council establish artists gallery options or a list for us.	9/16/2020 11:44 AM
6	You are doing a great job!	9/15/2020 2:18 PM
7	N/A	9/15/2020 8:36 AM
8	I don't have any suggestions except perhaps purchasing instruments to be loaned to schools on a yearly basis? Like tuba, bari sax, tenor sax, marimbathe ones that might motivate school districts to write more grants to purchase instruments. Storage may be an issue, though.	8/2/2020 8:53 PM
9	I appreciated Mara's willingness to work with me who was new to whole process.	8/2/2020 3:45 PM
10	Great public advocacy for the arts	7/26/2020 8:30 PM
11	I'd like to see more workshops and conferences for our area artists. Those held have been good- need more. I'd like to see more & larger exhibits and performances of local artists works around the region- really get communities to participate in art. I'd like to see more regular media coverage of area art the radio program is good-but do more and maybe a regular newspaper column stuff that reaches general public and makes them interact & become art-oriented.	7/9/2020 10:33 AM
12	Residencies for schools are important to us as a school district.	5/27/2020 1:14 PM
13	I would love more theater workshopstimes for local theater makers to gather and share ideas. Maybe I'll just start one in TRF!	2/10/2020 2:01 PM
14	I'd love to see more artist talks within the community.	2/4/2020 2:09 PM
15	The arts grants are essential.	1/12/2020 1:23 AM
16	More workshops for artists.	12/30/2019 4:56 PM
17	local artists within NW MN including musicians	12/19/2019 3:27 PM
18	Continue grant workshops for artists new to grant writing. Continue to offer individual opportunities for artists, such as shows, performances.	12/15/2019 6:47 PM
19	The ability to rent easels/grid board to hang artwork would be great. I have inquired about this in the past, but everything was tied up with the traveling exhibit.	11/21/2019 12:04 PM
20	I've heard on ktrf radio announcements regarding shows at Northland College. I believe I'm hearing it daily. That is good. I hope that can continue. I like to see ads. in papers. The internet is getting bloated and overloaded. I feel people are not reacting to the www anymore.	11/11/2019 5:12 PM
21	Grant opportunities for small communities	10/30/2019 6:22 PM

R	egional Arts Council Assessment 2016-23	SurveyMonkey
23	We would really like continued project grants and our school needs the Artists in the Schools program.	9/13/2019 2:12 PM
24	Publications of directories of artists.	9/8/2019 8:51 PM
25	Grants for arts to be presented and supported throughout our region.	8/15/2019 1:58 PM
26	It gets difficult to attend for us here in Warroad, especially when scheduled during working hours. I do appreciate some on either the weekend or the evening.	7/25/2019 10:33 PM
27	Public Advocacy for the arts	7/22/2019 9:30 PM
28	More info released via Social Media	7/17/2019 1:20 PM
29	I can't think of any.	7/17/2019 9:02 AM
30	Website updates and notifications	7/2/2019 3:41 PM

Q13 In order to realize our legacy vision, the Minnesota State Arts Board and the Minnesota's regional arts councils must work together to accomplish the following goals. Please assess how we are progressing toward achieving these overarching goals through different strategies and local efforts. Rate a 1 for minimal progress up to a 5 for strong progress.

	1 MINIMAL	2	3	4	5 STRONG	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
NWMAC is working to build relationships with cities, counties, historical societies, schools, tourism, economic development, aging, etc. Arts are a topic within meetings and show up in surveys. (Arts are interwoven)	0%	0%	19% 12	31% 20	50% 32	64	4.31
NWMAC has strong promotional efforts on social media, podcasts, speaking engagements, and other activities that show arts are vital in our area. (Arts are vital)	0% 0	2% 1	25% 16	25% 16	48% 31	64	4.20
NWMAC encourages a wide range of applicants and proposals. Direct programs are accessible to everyone. (Arts are diverse and accessible)	0%	2% 1	3% 2	33% 21	63% 40	64	4.56
NWMAC asks for feedback, has open meetings, and shares info publicly. (Arts system is trusted)	0% 0	0% 0	10% 6	32% 20	59% 37	63	4.49
NWMAC fosters visionary, skilled arts leaders and organizations. NWMAC leadership ensures sufficient resources to sustain the arts and artists. (Arts thrive)	0%	0% 0	6% 4	42% 26	52% 32	62	4.45
I feel like arts are essential for a vibrant society and many other people around me agree.	0% 0	2% 1	0% 0	16% 10	83% 52	63	4.79

### Q14 Next please share your opinion of the over-all performance of your Regional Arts Council.

	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL/NO OPINION	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	DON'T KNOW	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
The staff is professional and efficient	67% 44	23% 15	2% 1	0% 0	6% 4	3% 2	66	4.44
The board fairly represents all areas of my region	50% 33	26% 17	3% 2	0% 0	5% 3	17% 11	66	4.17
The location and hours of Arts Council offices are convenient	44% 28	20% 13	19% 12	6% 4	6% 4	5% 3	64	3.89
My Arts Council seems to use the public money efficiently and fairly	61% 39	25% 16	3% 2	0% 0	5% 3	6% 4	64	4.38
The staff and board are effective advocates of the arts	60% 39	25% 16	5% 3	0% 0	6% 4	5% 3	65	4.32
Regional Arts Council programs effectively serve all segments of the population, including groups often underrepresented.	45% 29	34% 22	3% 2	2% 1	5% 3	11% 7	64	4.14

Q15 The Arts Councils are now planning for the next two years (2021 - 2023). Please share what your most important needs are. What would most help you as you work to make art for your community? This information will assist the Northwest Minnesota Arts Council staff as we plan for the future.

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We are grateful for consistency in working with the NWMAC. We are grateful for the reliability and reassurance that we can ask for assistance with processes at any time. As procedures change, we ask for guidance to be sure we report our needs properly for your documentation. As new opportunities arise, we hope that you will reach out to us and share your knowledge and advice!	10/29/2020 6:49 PM
2	Help to promote our arts programs to school administrators.	10/28/2020 3:45 PM
3	Please continue the grant programs	10/26/2020 1:14 PM
4	More public art in the region	10/5/2020 9:34 AM
5	Continue diverse support for arts activities throughout the region.	9/15/2020 8:36 AM
6	My most important needs are still equipment centered.	8/2/2020 8:53 PM
7	Appreciate everything that was done to help me.	8/2/2020 3:45 PM
8	The programs supporting schools have been the best way for large numbers of community members and students to be reached in my community.	8/2/2020 11:47 AM
9	Equipment and artists in resdiences within the schools.	7/26/2020 8:30 PM
10	Venues, publicity	7/18/2020 1:21 PM
11	I admit the availability of grants does allow me to do more & better art. Well placed public venues for showing of area art and helping explain it to public for added appreciation regular content about area artists and art to general public to make them aware & appreciative. Artists tend to work alone & are not always outspoken advocates of self.	7/9/2020 10:33 AM
12	Our needs are to bring artists to the schools and communities in northern Minnesota	5/27/2020 1:14 PM
13	Personally, I think it would be awesome to do some type of weekend pottery retreat. Bring in a potter to the area to work with people!	2/14/2020 4:08 PM
14	We are always in need of on stage talent and technicians. Could there be a sort of "classified" section on the website for people's needs?	2/10/2020 2:01 PM
15	I think more artist spaces. To have a building that could be devoted studio space for artists to rent out would be fantastic.	2/4/2020 2:09 PM
16	Creating a strong board of directors for our organization	1/12/2020 1:23 AM
17	More workshops for artists like how to build a web page, managing an online pay system for art sales, and pricing art so that it's sales will bring a profit.	12/30/2019 4:56 PM
18	Our need is our own facility.	12/28/2019 6:31 PM
19	Continue to offer grant writing workshops and opportunities for NW MN artist through shows, and grants.	12/15/2019 6:47 PM
20	Connecting with various other communities, especially ones within Northwest Minnesota, would be very beneficial. Most importantly in this would be connecting our organization with	11/21/2019 6:18 PM

	individuals that are artistically focused in each community. If there were more opportunities to connect with these individuals that would be ideal.	
21	Meetups for artists. Also, the Springboard classes were EXCELLENT. I'd love to do another session from Springboard this coming winter.	11/21/2019 12:04 PM
22	I've been granted many opportunities to share my art and my skills to teach. I would like to continue doing this. My needs have been met many times. I hope this can continues.	11/11/2019 5:12 PM
23	2018-2019????	10/31/2019 10:13 AM
24	I think bringing in artists to Northwest MN is the biggest need.	10/30/2019 6:22 PM
25	Our first cycle of The Write On Project was a great success. This followup report is based only on that project.	10/3/2019 11:15 AM
26	Continue to support and expand incorporaton of arts into our annual Town Celebration, and assist with permanent art projects i.e. Vet's Memorial.	9/30/2019 8:47 AM
27	Funding for facility upkeep and sponsoring band and plays	9/26/2019 2:36 PM
28	Grant dollars for community and school projects continue to be needed.	9/13/2019 2:12 PM
29	Continuing to provide workshops on grant writing and lists of artists.	9/8/2019 8:51 PM
30	Financial assistance to support arts activities and equipment.	8/15/2019 1:58 PM
31	Our needs for WST will be to update our aging equipment. We have started in small steps. Our biggest frustration is getting our local "experts" to get us the information in a timely manner so we may apply for grants, and to make certain the equipment we need is what's best for theatre.	7/25/2019 10:33 PM
32	Marketing for the art event I administrate.	7/22/2019 9:30 PM
33	Sharing information and resharing what small arts advocacy groups are doing on the main NWMN arts web and FB pages.	7/17/2019 1:20 PM
34	Our biggest need is in bringing in guest artists and assistance in covering costs not possible with our school budgets.	7/17/2019 9:02 AM
35	Access to equipment so we can continue to expose our students to a variety of mediums.	7/16/2019 11:54 AM
36	Workshops and festivals	7/2/2019 3:41 PM

Q16 Finally, do you have any additional comments or thoughts which you would like to share with your Arts Council staff and board to help them improve their support for the arts in your area? (Remember, this survey is anonymous. If you need specific help, you should contact your Arts Council directly.)

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	We thank you for the services you provide for local artists and artist groups. Keep the	10/29/2020 6:49 PM
	communication and information coming. Check in at any time!	
2	Lighting is needed for your art showsPaintings are hung in poor low lighting which impacts the beauty and viability of the art work displayed.	10/26/2020 1:14 PM
3	Keep up the good work!! Thank you	9/15/2020 2:18 PM
4	Thank you.	9/15/2020 8:36 AM
5	I don't have anything else to add. Thanks.	8/2/2020 8:53 PM
6	Mara was very helpful and accessible.	8/2/2020 3:45 PM
7	Keep up the great work supporting the arts in our region!	8/2/2020 11:47 AM
8	Great support, efforts are greatly appreciated.	7/26/2020 8:30 PM
9	I was so impressed at the strong and decisive actions taken to help support our art and try make sure artists didn't fall through the cracks in needed support when the COVID thing hit. More and stronger advocacy for rural Minnesota individual artists is essential. It is good for people to buy art and it is good for them to recognize artists as an essential positive part of any community. We need to shake the idea that supporting artists is a charitable act rather than an action of mutual benefit to make selves and communities better.	7/9/2020 10:33 AM
10	Thanks for all you do!!!	2/14/2020 4:08 PM
11	I am very pleased with the support we've receivedI'm not sure how much more one person can do. I am very satisfied with what there is.	2/10/2020 2:01 PM
12	n/a	2/4/2020 2:09 PM
13	Keep up the good work!	12/30/2019 4:56 PM
14	Thank you for all your time and hard working. It takes quite a bit of time and work to go through all the grants and discussions.	12/15/2019 6:47 PM
15	Perhaps offering counseling in outside fundraising efforts or ideas would be helpful.	11/21/2019 6:18 PM
16	Thank you arts council! I appreciate the work and time you invest into our area. We need you!	11/21/2019 12:04 PM
17	I feel like our spring art shows could be bigger in regards to number of pieces accepted into the show. I believe we are misguided regarding room. I feel like the director simply doesn't want to fiddle around with a little community wanting to host the event. It seems she prefers the bigger venues.	11/11/2019 5:12 PM
18	Thank you for you help!	10/30/2019 6:22 PM
19	We will tap into opportunities offered by the North West Minnesota Arts Council for this project (as it hopefully continues) into the future.	10/3/2019 11:15 AM
20	Grants help small communities with limited resources expand the arts.	9/30/2019 8:47 AM

Re	SurveyMonkey	
22	Everything was great, but I did have a lot of questions and had a hard time getting answers returned timely. The message on the phone said I do not check my messages oftenthought this was sort of unprofessional.	9/8/2019 8:51 PM
23	Great support for ARTS!	8/15/2019 1:58 PM
24	Thank You!	8/7/2019 10:36 AM
25	Thank you for all you do!	7/17/2019 9:02 AM
26	Thank you so much for all you do for our organization.	7/2/2019 3:41 PM