

SECTION II: Organization History

Organizational History and Mission

Provide a mission statement and brief history of your organization in Laramie and/or Albany County, including services provided to area residents.

Organizational Structure

List your officers and director(s), indicating their terms of office

SECTION III. *Funding Request Justification*

Briefly explain how these funds will be used and why public funds are necessary to accomplish this goal. Some discussion items to cover in this section may include:

- *whether or not the funding request has increased from prior years;*
- *whether or not this is a one-time or on-going request;*
- *description of any large program or staff expansion occurring in this fiscal year;*
- *large equipment or other fixed assets that will be purchased fiscal year;*
- *how your project relates to city or county goals, or how it improves the overall quality, character or health of the community; and*
- *whether or not funding will be used to leverage additional monies for your organization either through grants or other means.*

Section IV. *Financial Information*—*a current balance sheet can be submitted to satisfy this requirement*

Balance Sheet as of December 31, 2020:

<i>Assets</i>	<i>Liabilities</i>	<i>Other Financial Information You Wish to Include:</i>
<p>Current: Cash: CDs , etc.: Receivables:</p> <p>Fixed: Equipment: Building: Less Depreciation:</p>	<p>Current: Payables: Withholding:</p> <p>Long Term: Promissory Notes: Mortgage:</p> <p>Owner’s Equity:</p>	

SECTION V. *Fiscal Year Budget Information*

If your organization follows a different funding cycle (i.e. Calendar Year), indicate your budget cycle here:

Revenue

	Amount	Secured or pending?
City of Laramie, Community Partner		
Albany County, Community Partner		
United Way		
Donors		
Fundraisers		
Interest		
Other		
Other		
Total Estimated Revenue		

Expense

	Amount	Comments
Salary, Director		
Salary, Other(s)		
Benefits		
Rent		
Utilities		
Client Service		
Client Aid		
Equipment		
Other		
Other		
Total Estimated Expense		

Section VI: Interim Report for FY 2020/2021 Awardees Only

Complete this section if your agency was awarded Community Partner Funding in Fiscal Year 2020/2021

Amount Awarded? \$ _____

Have you used all of the funds awarded? Yes
 No

If you have not used all of the funds awarded, please include *amount remaining* and *date* by which you intend to use those funds. \$ _____
Date: _____

Briefly describe the impact that the FY 2020/2021 award has had on your program, project or organizational operations. Some discussion items to cover in this section may include:

- *Number of persons served and demographics of persons served (income level, age, race, etc.)*
- *Describe the overall impact of these funds on your program, project or organization*
- *If your agency has not yet to spent all of the awarded funds, please briefly describe your plans to expend the funds by the end of the fiscal year*
- *Did your agency use Community Partner funding to leverage additional funds, either through grants or other means?*

Science Loves Art
2021-2022 Grant Years
Supplemental for Community Partner Grants

Section II:

In December of 2018, Science Loves Art (SLA) became a 501(c)3 nonprofit agency with the mission to bring science to the public through art and discovery. SLA targets high risk children or those children in isolated areas or with limited resources for art or science.

Over 3,000 children have experienced science and art discovered through the SLA Kits. SLA Kits are individual kits with all supplies and science inspiration included for science and art experiences. SLA has developed and assembled all Kits in Laramie at 4th Street Studios. Rene Williams, the founder of SLA, is becoming a 4H scholar and leader and will expand all programs to 4H groups of all ages in 2021. This is an exciting new collaboration!

SLA continues existing collaborations with BBBS, Laramie Foster Closet, Family Promise, The Crisis Center, Cathedral Home, the Albany County Library, after school programs and many other collaborators with the same passion for striving to enrich our at risk communities.

Our studio is located in Laramie (4th Street Studios) and has modified our in person workshops to retail versions of our SLA Kits. This allows us to provide art experiences to the general public. Developing videos and online demonstrations have helped us bring art to isolated and rural communities while they explore the art and science. Providing these experiences to children and families has filled a huge need this year with Covid and the isolation of families and children from social and artistic (and relaxing) projects. In 2020, SLA and 4th Street Studios hosted the 2nd Fermentation Festival that brought the science of food and drink to the general public. Working with the City of Laramie and Albany County Health, we were able to provide a safe, outdoor venue. SLA collaborated with Laramie Public Art Coalition to provide \$250 to 5 mural artists that participated in the microbe mural. SLA also financially supported 3 groups of musicians (\$250 each) that provided live entertainment during the Fermentation Festival. SLA has made extra efforts to bring opportunities and financial support to our local artists and musicians while supporting safe and enriching experiences for our families and communities.

Section III:

SLA has access of low rent and free use of tools and equipment owned by Rene Williams and 4th Street Studios. This allows SLA to provide more services to the community without using funds for operating expenses.

Rene Williams has received funding and training from 4H and will use the funds to purchase more equipment and supplies for Kits and outreach. Additional supplies and the ability to create as many Kits as possible for the needs we are seeing is huge, so we will be frugal with

any funds we raise or from grants to be sure we are providing as much support to our communities and those at-risk as possible.

We believe our goals are aligned with those of the city and county. Art and science, as a team, provide amazing experiences to all ages, not just children. During this time of isolation, having hands-on projects that are easy and fun for all ages for families and groups, SLA has created these projects that align with the goals of the city and county for the mental health and enrichment of our citizens.

As SLA asks for continued funding from Wyoming Community Foundation, Wyoming Arts Council and other entities that support our mission, we will share with them the possibility of funding from this grant.

Summary of prior year impact:

In 2020, over 3,000 children and adults across Wyoming that are at-risk and/or low income have experienced art and science, even with Covid, because of our SLA Kits that are part of our program since 2019. Our collaborations in Albany County and the City of Laramie have increased and include BBBS, United Way, Family Promise, Laramie Public Art Coalition, Albany County Foster Closet, Cathedral Home and Laramie Crisis Center, Albany County Library and many more. We have provided SLA art kits and projects for free, or at our cost. We also provide art and science opportunities to the general public and the funds generated help accomplish our mission to bringing more experiences for free or at cost.

The funding helped SLA fund artist and musician funding during our Fermentation Festival. This was a huge goal for SLA this year and especially at a time when artists and musicians were not able to perform in person and venues were canceled. The funds were also invaluable when the demand for more art and science increased for "at-home" learning. SLA was able to continue to purchase the supplies and produce Kits.

SLA's growth and impact this year was large, even during these difficult times. We are increasing volunteers and decreasing payroll costs to ensure that our mission will continue without interruption.

We were able to use the grant funds to leverage additional funding through sponsorships. We will grow this concept in 2021.