



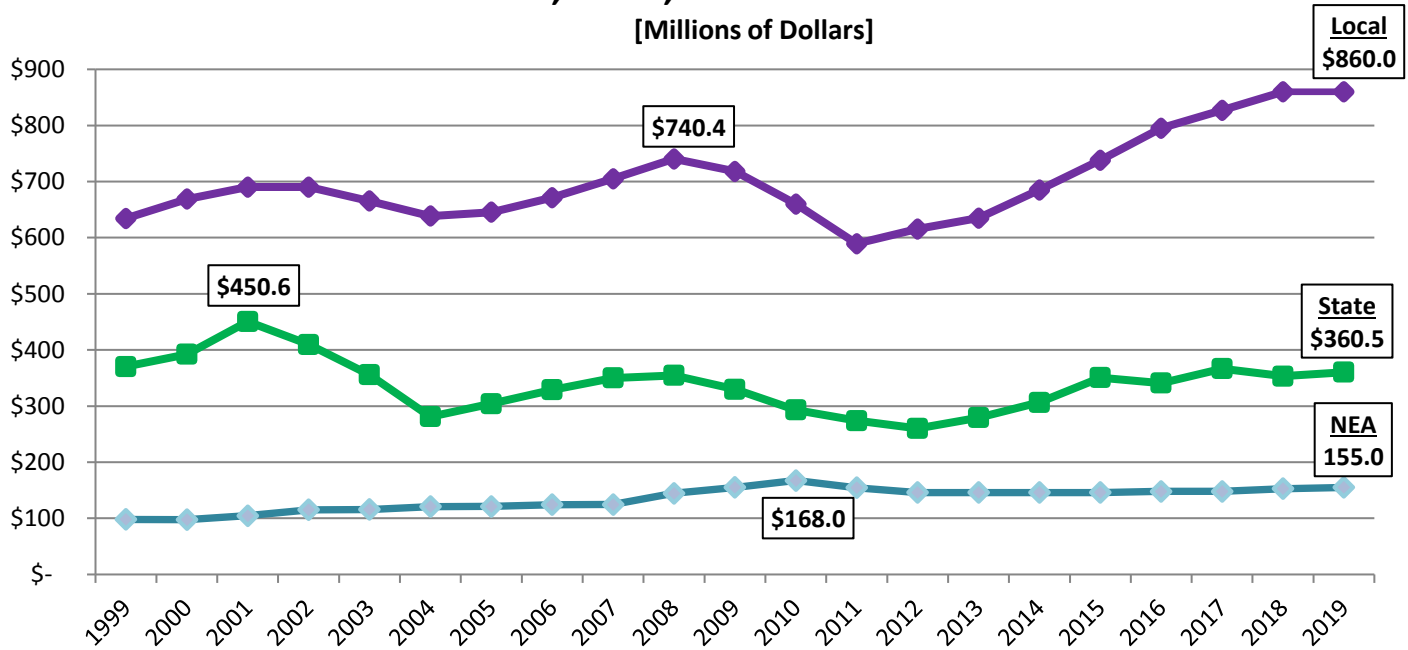
Arts Facts . . . Government Funding to Arts Agencies

In 2019, NEA and state government funding are expected to increase while local government appropriations are expected to remain flat.

Government Funding to Arts Agencies

Federal, State, and Local: 1999 - 2019

[Millions of Dollars]



Source: Americans for the Arts, 2019.

- Local** government funding to their Local Arts Agencies is expected to remain steady in 2019, with an estimated \$860 million in funding. This follows 5 years of growth from 2013 to 2018, which was preceded by a four-year decline in funding resulting from the Great Recession. There are an estimated 4,500 local arts agencies in the U.S.
 (\$860.0 million = \$2.63 per capita)
- State** legislative arts appropriations are expected to increase slightly, from \$353.2 million in FY2018 to \$360.5 million in FY2019 (+2.1 percent). Since 2015, funding for state arts agencies has fluctuated between \$350 million and 366.6 million.
 (\$357.5 million = \$1.10 per capita)
- Federal** appropriations to the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) increased to \$155 million in 2019. The 2019 funding level remains lower than the 2010 appropriation level of \$167.5 million.
 (\$155.0 million = 47 cents per capita)

Note: These figures are limited to government funding directly to the NEA, state arts agencies, and local arts agencies. They do not represent the full breadth of government funding, such as legislative line items to cultural organizations, facilities, or arts funding by non-arts government agencies.

Sources: Americans for the Arts, National Assembly of State Arts Agencies, U.S Census Bureau 2019. Updated March, 2019

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