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To Whom It May Concern,

The Taube Museum of Art is writing in support of the North Dakota Council on the Arts (NDCA) to receive an additional reallocation of unspent Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) moneys.

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We are a 501c3 nonprofit organization who’s mission is to “Enrich lives through the visual arts.” We work to engage our local community in Minot, North Dakota through exhibits, events, and educational activities. With the pandemic, we have not been able to safely host our annual fundraisers, events, and classes. Our education program also has not had a chance to work with our local schools on art classes as we have done for many years. This in turn has affected both us and our community. We have suffered financially, and we have not been able to connect with our community (our young community especially) as well as in the past.

We have been able to stay open through these unprecedented times through the help of the NDCA. On top of institutional support grant money, the NDCA has provided financial support to our facility that was key to keeping ours doors open. They have also provided constant support and information to us through all of this. However, we and many other organizations the NDCA serves are still in need of financial support. While our facility is open, we still struggle. We saw a loss of about \$40,000 in 2020 due to the affects of the pandemic. As we head into a new year, more financial support will be invaluable to reinitiating our programs, fundraisers, and staffing to allow us to serve our community.

Sincerely,

Rachel Alfaro
Executive Director

