Arts & Science Council (ASC)
Investments in the Town of Pineville

Between 2018 and 2021, ASC has invested $36,500 in Pineville based Creatives and Cultural Activity.

Cultural Vision Grants

The Cultural Vision Grant & Town Initiatives Grant programs directly respond to the Charlotte Mecklenburg community's interest in arts, science, history and heritage programming that builds strong communities and demonstrates innovative, relevant and transformative cultural expression as outlined in Imagine 2025. ASC seeks to support high quality arts and culture projects presented within Mecklenburg County by Creative Individuals or Nonprofit Organizations that advance one of the following goals:

- *Building Community* by connecting individuals across points of difference.
- *Building Community* by nurturing, celebrating and supporting authentic cultures and creative expression.
- *Increasing Relevance* by using arts, science and history to address complex community issues.
- *Increasing Innovation* by supporting the creation of new and groundbreaking work.

Through ASC's Cultural Vision Grant program, Pineville has received $20,000 of direct support:

2018	To support the Town of Pineville's Rockin' & Reelin - a series of free concerts and movies throughout the summer.
2019	To support Rockin' & Reelin," a series of music, theater and movie events hosted in Pineville throughout the summer, bringing community together.
2020	To provide the Pineville community with art, theater and film programming to bring the community together to enjoy culture.
2021	To add a creative aesthetic to the built environment, which energizes Pineville's downtown district creating a sense of destination.

Support for Individual Artists

In partnership with the North Carolina Arts Council, ASC's Artist Support Grant Program funds professional and artistic development for emerging and established artists to enhance their skills and abilities to create work or to improve their business operations and capacity to bring their work to new audiences.

2018	$2,000.00	To support participation in a one month artist residency in Listowel, Ireland, culminating in a show featuring our work created during the residency at Olive Stack Gallery.
2020	$2,000.00	To support tuition and travel expenses for Advanced Mentored Studies Program for visual storytelling & documentary photography at Anderson Ranch Arts Center.
2021	$1,250.00	To support the continuation of a 48 Hour Film Festival project: Part 2 & 3.

Culture Blocks Program Investment

Culture Blocks connects communities with responsive arts, science, and history experiences close to where residents live. The program engages with creative individuals and organizations with a primary mission of arts, science, and/or history to present programs in specific geographic areas. Culture Blocks, funded by Mecklenburg County, supports cultural experiences that are planned with resident involvement and/or take place at libraries, recreation centers, parks, and relevant community spaces.

Pineville artists have been a fixture of the Culture Blocks program. ASC has invested $11,250 in these artists to deliver programming across the county.

2018	$2,000.00	To support Project Art Aid's Red Calaca Mobile Art Studio at Nations Ford Rd Elementary School during Second Harvest Food Bank's Mobile Food Pantry on 4th Mondays through April 2018
2018	$8,150.00	To support visual art activities for all ages with the Red Calaca Mobile Art Studio as a part of the ASC Culture Blocks Tour at libraries and apartment complexes.
2019	$300.00	To Support The ASC Cultural Block, Community Meal Art Project
2019	$800.00	To support an on-site community interactive mosaic project at The Hut in Pineville on March 20, 2019.

During the public health crisis, many of the providers in the Culture Blocks program pivoted quickly to provide virtual programming. ASC continues to work with our partners across Mecklenburg County to ensure that we can continue to provide excellent, relevant programming in person when the public health crisis has ended.