

**Community Grants Program
Grant Report**



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Project Name: CVCT Theatre - Sound

Grant Funding Amount: 5,000

Project Completion Date: March, 2022

Describe how the funds were used to serve Douglas County residents.

Funds were used to purchase new sound equipment to be used for performances by CVCT to benefit attendees at our productions. This equipment enhances the total sound at the CVIC Hall during our productions, and makes it much easier for our attendees, the overwhelming majority of whom are from Douglas County and who are senior citizens, hear easily and clearly. We also purchased assisted hearing devices, which can be used at no cost by those requiring them, and which provide additional boost in sound during a production.

In addition, Douglas High school students who assisted in our production of *The 25th Annual Putnam County Spelling Bee* were taught to use all of these devices, adding to their expertise in using modern theatrical equipment. This added to their knowledge of modern technology and its use and expanded their understanding of current sound equipment being used in theatrical performances.

Describe how the organization measured the success of the program/project. Provide qualitative and quantitative measures.

All equipment listed on the original proposal was purchased and used in our spring production of *Putnam*; there were no problems.

Over 500 people attended this production, an unexpectedly large turn-out for a production done in conjunction with the High School. An informal survey of the audience during intermission and as they were leaving the production indicated that there were no complaints with the sound during this show. During previous productions, we have had multiple problems with lavalier mics worn by performers going out during the production or “popping” making it impossible to hear performers during songs, and people were unhappy about this. This is the primary reason we wrote this grant. This did not occur during this production and the audience was pleased by the quality and improvement of the sound.

Our sound team spent little time having to search out and fix sound problems during this production making their time better spent and much less frustrating. All the speakers and monitors performed as expected. The CVCT Board and producers reviewed the overall

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effectiveness of the new sound equipment with the sound technicians after the production and all are pleased with its functioning. The performers had not problems with their equipment and were also very satisfied.

We had 2 people use the assisted hearing devices and they were very grateful to have these available for use.

This production was so successful and so well attended, that we were able to give DHS \$2,000, approximately \$1,500 more than we originally anticipated we were going to be able to donate to them. We feel this is, in part, because of the excellent sound provided by our new equipment.

Describe any changes to this project.

There were no changes to this project.