Community Grants Program Grant Report



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Agency Name: Carson Valley Pops Orchestra

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Project Name: CVP Live!

Grant Funding Amount: \$4000

Project Completion Date: 6/30/23

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

The funds received made it possible for the orchestra to perform on stage at CVIC Hall for our Autumn, Winter/Holiday and Spring/Scholarship concerts by paying for extensions needed to expand the stage in order to accommodate the musicians. The grant helped with the cost of our sound expense for the Patriotic concert in Heritage Park, and also allowed us to purchase new music for our library. Douglas County is such a great support to our volunteer group and we are very thankful

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

The concerts were very well attended. The Winter/Holiday concert is always exceptionally popular, and it was necessary to once again schedule Friday and Saturday night performances, with (free) "tickets" in order to accommodate the audience. The hall was at full capacity (185 attendees) each night. Much time and effort goes into each performance. On average, preparation for each concert is approximately 630 musician man-hours for rehearsals. Non-musician Board Members volunteer an average of 24 hours per concert performance, and there are 10 board-meetings per year, which consist of an average 140 man-hours.

Provide any changes or challenges to the original project plan and how it affected the project.

One challenge to the original plan was in neglecting to consider the sound-system expense at our Patriotic concert, however our music expenses were not as high as in previous years, and we were very grateful to have the funds to cover the sound.