



## **SIERRA JOBS FIRST - RECREATION AND TOURISM - CATALYST PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

Information for this Sierra Jobs First Recreation and Tourism Project is current as of August 20, 2025 and will be updated as additional information becomes available.

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### **PROJECT NAME**

- Sierra Regional Arts Organization Collaborative Network

### **LEAD PROJECT APPLICANT**

- Mariposa County Arts Council Inc.

### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

- Creation of a Sierra Regional Arts Organization Collaborative Network with participating arts organizations in each of the Sierra Region's seven-county cluster (Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Inyo, Mariposa, Mono, and Tuolumne) in order to formalize and solidify communication and collaboration between these individual organizations which share the significant challenges of thriving as rural arts organizations in the current economic landscape. Recognizing the limitations of rural arts organizations in terms of organizational capacity and availability of general operating funds to engage in partnership and outreach efforts, this project will provide funding to participant organizations to support foundational relational work between the organizations, thus creating a network that enables collaboration, mutual support, eligibility for increased future funding and coordination of arts initiatives and projects throughout the Sierra region, supporting the expansion of cultural tourism and job creation in the region. Future projects that build upon this foundational project could include, but certainly are not limited to, the creation of new public art in multiple locations that connect through a public art "trail" throughout the region, creating a Sierra region training institute offering training of Teaching Artists and professional practice programs for artists and investment in shared resources.