

ACCL

Arts & Culture Capital Lab

A NEIGHBORHOOD ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE BY



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ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE (2020)

CHALLENGE

In Chicago, where the population is approximately 68% percent people of color (POC), only 6% of all arts foundation funding goes directly to artists and art groups lead by POC - creating "**Arts & Culture Deserts**" on the South side, West Side and immigrant/low-income enclaves. (U.S. Census, DataArts)

OPPORTUNITY

ACCL is a Capital Lab for Artists & Creative Entrepreneurs in previously divested Chicago Neighborhoods focused on the intersection of economic development and arts and culture initiatives. The SECC Arts & Culture Programs Include:



1:1 Business Consultations provided free for over 120 low-income entrepreneurs annually



Creative Place-making Initiatives that integrate artists into Community Development projects within 5+ Community Areas

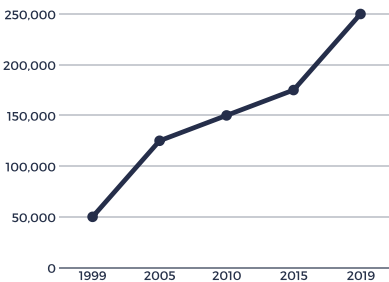


Micro-grants up to \$20K for art projects that have the potential to increase community wealth



On-staff designers and engineers to provide technical assistance; Digital program reach exceeds 10K

RECENT IMPACT



Since 1999, the SECC has re-granted over \$1M for culturally centered, community development initiatives --increasing our capacity, reach and impact year over year:

67K

Attendees of ACCL & SECC events supporting local small business owners, artists and creative entrepreneurs (2019)

200

Neighborhood Enhancement Projects Funded Since 1999

\$3M+

Annual Economic Impact Analysis (EIA) Score based on "in-network" micro-grants, business revenue and creative freelance wages. (2019)