

52-0846173 requests support for the expansion of our longstanding Dance DC Program for schools in Washington, DC's lowest income areas. Students will receive 7-week arts integration dance residencies, at no cost. Additionally, we will increase our scholarship program, allowing talented graduates of Dance DC to continue training on full scholarship for one year. Funding will allow more children, who would otherwise be unable, experience the life changing benefits of dance.

52-0846173 strives to create new and exciting programming based on the anticipated outcomes of the children, rather than a top down approach allowing us to develop programs that speak to these students as they progress.

In addition to gaining dance skills, students who participate in this program will develop critical life skills, including: discipline, perseverance, responsibility, and increased self-esteem and confidence, which can benefit them not only in the studio, but also at school, in family life, and in the community.

As the only ballet company with a training school located in and dedicated to serving a low-income neighborhood, 52-0846174 is uniquely poised to transform the lives of underrepresented youth in ballet, and in turn, transform the face of the art form into the next century.

A grant of \$30,000 will subsidize scholarships and fund the creation of a web-based residency series for use during state mandated school closures as a result of the restrictions in place due to COVID-19 and the costs associated with an in-school program after schools re-open.

With your support, we aim to broaden our impact in the greater Washington DC area and deliver measurable results with a focus on those that have the greatest potential for yielding meaningful outcomes for the underserved population. This program can expand into the future as we add more schools and students to the program.

We assert that 52-0846173, the applicant, meets GKV Foundation's Minimum Requirements as stated in the GKV website.