



**County of Marin  
Community Service Fund Program  
Application Form**

**Application Date** July 16, 2020

**Fiscal Year** July 1, 2020 - June 30, 2021

**Organization Information**

**Full Legal Name:** Marin Shakespeare Company

**Organization URL:** <http://www.marinshakespeare.org>

**Mission/purpose of your organization:**

With Shakespeare as our endless inspiration, our mission is to serve as a vibrant catalyst for cultural engagement, education, and social justice to benefit the people of the Marin County, the San Francisco Bay Area, and beyond.

**Grant Request Information**

**Program/Project Name:** Forest Meadows Amphitheatre Renovation - Dressing Rooms

**Summary of how County funds would be used for project:**

We request funding for dressing room tables, costume racks, and lighting for our new dressing rooms at the Forest Meadows Amphitheatre.

**Amount Requested Dollar:** We request funding for dressing room tables, costume racks, and lighting for our

**Total Project Cost:** \$855,329.00

**Description of the proposed project/program, including the proposed project's goal(s), and the nature of the costs in specific terms, i.e. materials, labor costs, etc. Specifics of how the requested County funds will be used.**

Marin Shakespeare Company will complete the first phase of renovations of the Forest Meadows Amphitheatre in August of 2020, including Box Office, Concessions, Tech Booth and Dressing Room buildings; ADA upgrades and handrails; upgraded sound system; and other permanent infrastructure upgrades that will make the Amphitheatre safer, more accessible, and more comfortable for audiences and theatre artists. We are requesting support for the second phase of the work, the interior fixtures, including dressing room tables, costume racks, and lighting for our dressing rooms; and counters, refrigerators, and other fixtures for all of the new buildings. Although due to covid-19 there is no live theatre right now, we believe that audience and artists will be even more hungry to gather together again when it is safe to share the wisdom and wit of Shakespeare's timeless stories. These renovations will allow generations of audiences and artists to savor summer theatre under the stars in accessible downtown San Rafael at the Forest Meadows Amphitheatre, one of the county's premiere performance venues.

**List of all community interests that will be affected by the proposed project/program and the public benefit to be derived from it:**

In addition to audiences and theatre artists, we partner with many community interests. Over 25 schools attended our 2019 Student Matinees, and we were able to provide free tickets and transportation to all who needed these, as well as pre- and post-show classroom visits from Marin Shakespeare Company artists. We also provided a free Educator's Event at Forest Meadows for classroom teachers who received instruction in teaching Shakespeare to their student groups. Each year, we provide hundreds of free tickets to clients of social service organizations, as well as over a thousand half-price tickets for seniors. All of these community interests will directly benefit from the improvements to the Forest Meadows Amphitheatre. Beyond our work On Stage, Marin Shakespeare Company also provides Education programs in Marin County public schools that serve large numbers of low-income families, and we are the largest provider of Shakespeare in Prison programs in the world, providing opportunities for the incarcerated to learn and grow and for community members to learn first-hand about mass incarceration by attending performances at San Quentin and other prisons, and viewing our online archive of prison performances and interviews.

**The total amount received for the past three fiscal years:**

Year	Amount	Project
2019 - 2020	\$0.00	
2018 - 2019	\$0.00	
2017 - 2018	\$0.00	

No County funding was received for this project or others.

Project/program can be completed if amount received is less than requested amount of Community Service funds.

Applicants are encouraged to leverage funding from other non-County sources, and priority will be given to requests that represent no more than 50% of total project cost. To demonstrate all sources of project funding, including other County sources, please provide a project/program budget below. Please fill in as applicable, and round to the nearest dollar.

Project Funding Sources	Funding Agency	Funding Requested	Received	Notes
County CSF				
Federal Grant				
State Grant				
Individual Contributions			\$800,000	<i>Received from various individuals</i>
Other Local Agencies				
In kind services				
Other				
<b>Total Sources</b>			\$800,000	
Project Expenses		Budgeted	Spent to Date	Notes
Personnel Costs				<i>Project Mngr is donating services</i>
Services and Supplies		\$855,329	\$550,302	
Capital				
Other				
<b>Total Expenses</b>		\$855,329	\$550,302	