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## Cultural Council funding approved

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State Rep - Rosemary Sandlin (D-Agawam) has announced that the Agawam Cultural Council will receive \$8,760 for distribution to local organizations for grants that benefit the citizens of Agawam. The funding supports cultural activities and programs sponsored by the PTOs, the library and the senior center as well as other organizations and individuals.

"The Agawam Cultural Council is a vital organization in our community that brings outstanding events to our residents," Sandlin said. "Thousands of people of all ages have enjoyed the Applause Series programs, the New York City bus trips, the classic film festivals and Summerfest. Our Cultural Council is one of 329 throughout the state that supports community-based projects that explore local arts and history,

expand education and accessibility, and celebrate diversity.

"The council is proud to provide funding for a variety of exciting programs in the coming year. Last year 25 Grants were awarded," commented Cultural Council member Bob Kadis. "The council also supports the 'Grant for the Arts' program, which will host a fundraiser concert on October 25 from 2-4 p.m. at the new senior center. I urge everyone to come and enjoy a great show."

Tickets are \$16 and \$14 for seniors.

Local groups or individuals who wish to apply for funding should submit their requests before the October 15 deadline. Applications are available on the Agawam Cultural Council web site, [www.agawamcc.org](http://www.agawamcc.org).