



**LAWRENCE CULTURAL ARTS COMMISSION
COMMUNITY ARTS GRANT FINAL REPORT**

Final reports are due one month following project completion or no later than July 1, 2017. Please fill out this form, attach your final budget, any additional information about the project, and any documentation such as photographs, programs, reviews, or surveys, and submit it to:

Lawrence Cultural Arts Commission
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Project Director Lynne Green, Executive Director
Project Title Benchmark 2016

LCAC Grant Amount \$ 4,000 **Start Date** 5/31/16 **End Date** 7/14/16

Answers to the following questions may be given here or attached to this form as a separate document.

- 1) Describe the outcome(s) of this project
- 2) Did this project change substantially from how you described it in your grant proposal? yes no
If yes, please describe why and how it changed and the impact of this change on the outcome.
- 3) Estimate how many people benefited from this project: 40 adults 20 children
How did you collect these numbers?
- 4) Describe what the LCAC grant enabled you to accomplish in regards to this project.
- 5) Attach a final project budget to this form that indicates how the LCAC grant funds were expended.
- 6) Attach documentation of the project to this form, please list the items attached.

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1. Describe the outcomes of this project

During the 8-week, 176-hour Summer Benchmark 2016 program:

- 91% of youth increased their workplace evaluation scores from week two to week eight
- Daily attendance averaged 97%
- 14 youth had perfect attendance
- 20 custom benches were created by 20 youth; five additional youth were served as program assistants, including woodworkers.

2. Please see report form.

3. How did you collect numbers of beneficiaries?

Van Go collected the number of youth beneficiaries by hiring 20 at-risk teens and young adults for the summer program. The number of 40 adults benefitting was determined by calculating the number of bench clients who participated in the program.

4. Describe what the LCAC grant enabled you to accomplish in regards to this project.

Thanks to the generous grant awarded by the LCAC, Van Go was able to purchase program materials that were essential to the success of the project. The benches are designed for lifelong use by our clients so they require quality materials that enable them to withstand wear and tear. Many benches are displayed and utilized in public venues, where they represent Van Go, and the client. It is important to invest in quality wood and paint to ensure that the benches look good for years to come. LCAC grant funding helped cover the cost of these materials.

5. Final project budget attached

6. Additional documentation attached

Visual documentation of this project can be found in three photo albums (Benchmark 2016, Bench Portraits, and Summer 2016) on Van Go's flickr account at <https://www.flickr.com/photos/van-go/albums/>

Summer Benchmark 2016

	LCAC Grant	Van Go Contribution	
Personnel		\$35,074	
Marketing		\$850	
Materials	\$4,000	\$6,000	
Operating Expenses		\$8,000	
Other: youth wages		\$21,000	
Total Project Budget	\$4,000	\$70,924	\$74,924