STATE CHAIR (or President) REPORT   ARTS ADVOCACY DEPARTMENT   #AD 2-2

Date Due: May 15 (2024)

Name of State: _____

Name of State Arts Advocacy Chair or President: _____

Address: _____

Phone: (   ) _____e-mail: _____

The National Federation of Music Clubs is an arts organization. The arts strengthen our communities, break down socio-economic barriers, are an economic engine, enhance education for our students, and are proving to have a positive impact on our healthcare system. We are in a unique position to further promote the positive impacts of the arts and arts education.

Please use the following report to encourage arts advocacy for your state or region:

1. ___yes ___no Our state has added the role of State Arts Advocacy Chair who will facilitate the use of the Senior Club Report #AD2-1. These Senior Club reports should be collected by the due date and forwarded to the National Chair. Please use #AD2-1 in tandem with your #AD2-2.

2. ___yes ___no We have read the Goals and Methods for Arts Advocacy and will try to incorporate the mission of NFMC and Arts Advocacy into agendas for meetings and general discussion. This will include supporting our Senior Clubs in these same endeavors.

3. ___yes ___no Our state has a recognized state-wide Council on the Arts.
    If yes:
    a. ___yes ___no our state federation is affiliated with the Council.
    b. ___yes ___no our federation has received funding from the Council.

4. ___yes ___no Our state legislature allows for the use of local tax dollars to be used for community arts programs such as the symphony, art museum, music in the park, or summer music camps.

5. ___yes ___no Studies have been done of the economic impact of the arts on their communities. (You can use the website: americansforthearts.org/research to find this out.) This information has been shared with your region.

6. ___yes ___no At least once annually, I communicate with senior clubs about the importance of advocating for the arts locally and regionally (this includes contacting their legislators), reminding our colleagues that being an arts advocate is not just about writing friendly letters to their representatives, but simply becoming aware of these important issues.

7. ___yes ___no At least once during the past year, I have communicated with the governor or members of the legislature about issues pertaining to the arts. (If possible, attach copy of communication).

8. ___yes ___no As a state federation, we need to be more proactive advocates for the arts!

Please send completed form to: Dr Valerie Harris, Arts Advocacy Chair,
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Please submit any additional newspaper clippings, articles, or other information you wish to share with your report.