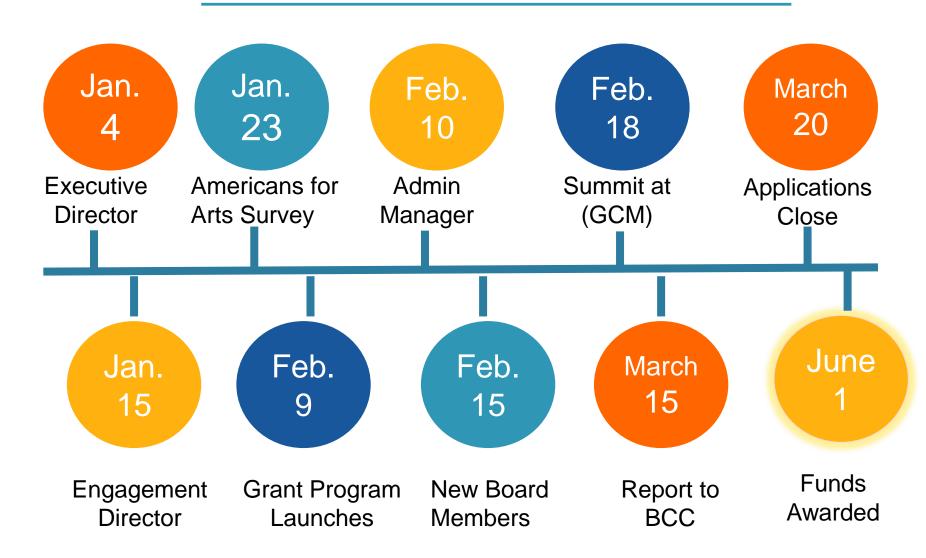




#### **Progress**





#### We Made a Number of Promises:

- That we would take action providing concrete benefits to the community quickly
- That we would become partners to strengthen and provide value to partner organizations
- That we be proficient as an organization and function effectively
- That we would be collaborative and would engage with the community
- That quick timeline shows we are very serious about fulfilling those promises



### **Jumping Into More Detail**



#### **Taking Action**

- On Feb. 9 launched 2 Grants Programs
  - Fellowships for artists
  - Support for non-profits offering arts / cultural programs for youth



- Applications close Friday, March 18
- 💢 Funds available June 1 September 15
- Access applications at creativepinellas.org



## **Becoming Partners**

In January we joined with the St. Petersburg Arts Alliance on the Americans for the Arts countywide survey



Partnering with VSPC on new arts-focused web presence to replace our marketing website





# Gaining Proficiency

#### Board

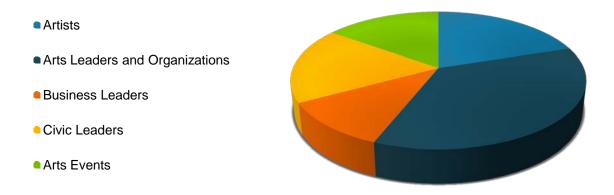


Contractor Team



### Collaborating and Engaging

- Engaged in Discovery Process
  - 💢 Over 60 interviews most one-on-one



- Top 3 takeaways
  - A thirst for what Creative Pinellas could offer
  - Supportive that we are moving forward
  - Delighted that we asked for their input



# Collaborating and Engaging

- Summit February 19 at Gulf Coast Museum
  - 100 plus attendees (including many who participated in the Discovery Process)
  - Introduced new Executive Director
  - New vision for Creative Pinellas
    - New Board members and team
- Feedback was very positive



### Jumping to Today



#### Our Focus: Putting Together the Puzzle





### Clarifying our Vision

- To be a catalyst for the arts through
  - High quality transformative programs
  - That support or engage...
  - The people and the communities we serve



# Clarifying our Purpose for Pinellas County

- Creating vibrant communities
- Supporting the artists, arts and cultural organizations and creative community as a whole
- Encouraging creativity and innovation
- Supporting economic development
- Showcasing the county as a cultural destination
- Making the fruits of all of this activity and creativity accessible to all people who live here
- Positively impacting public policy, community participation and quality of life



#### Living our Values

- We are action-oriented
- We are collaborative
- We are focused on the County
- We are innovative
- We look for, believe in and make connections







#### Our Future

- In May, at the budget session we will present:
  - A short and mid-range strategic plan
  - A description of upcoming and projected programs
  - Broad strokes of a long range strategic program
  - Request a commitment of dollars to continue growth and to support the organization long term



#### Questions?

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