

Strategic Program Area: Charles Allis and Villa Terrace Art Museums

Service Provision: Discretionary

How We Do It: Program Budget Summary

Category	2021 Actual	2022 Actual	2023 Budget	2024 Budget	2023/2024 Variance
Expenditures	225,108	225,108	225,108	225,108	0
Tax Levy	225,108	225,108	225,108	225,108	0

Strategic Overview:

The Charles Allis and Villa Terrace Art Museums contribute to the quality of life of Milwaukee County residents and visitors by creating opportunities to experience history, culture and the arts.

The Museums - a public-private partnership between Milwaukee County and Charles Allis and Villa Terrace Museums, Inc. (CAVT) - honor the gifts to the community of Charles and Sarah Allis (in 1946) and Lloyd and Agnes Smith (in 1967) through the preservation of their architecturally significant homes, world-class art collections, and gardens, while telling the story of the founding of Milwaukee as a city of industry and entrepreneurship.

The museums contribute to Milwaukee County's quality of life by offering vibrant exhibitions, collaborative educational programs, performances, and other events. Programming includes up to five new art exhibitions each year that feature local and regional artistic production and promote such work in a way that larger institutions cannot. The museums also offer concerts, films, family art-making workshops, lectures, tours and special events. CAVT partners with the Rufus King International High School art program throughout the year, culminating in a student art show at the Charles Allis Art Museum. The museums continue to work with county-wide public grade- school art programs each fall. The facilities are available for rent by civic, cultural, veterans, educational, business and private groups. Both museums are on the National Register of Historic Places.

The Department of Administrative Services (DAS), working in coordination with the Office of the Corporation Counsel (OCC), will review the existing agreement between Milwaukee County and the Charles Allis Art Museum and explore future opportunities regarding the County's on-going operational and capital support to the museum.

The historic Charles Allis Art Museum facade requires restoration to mitigate worsening water damage to the facility and shifting brickwork that has destabilized the museum gables, especially on the south facing exterior. The County Board of Supervisors has approved two Capital Projects that will address these issues. The first project will be WU050102 - Charles Allis Museum Window and Door Replacement. \$154,000 in tax levy has been allocated for the completion of this capital project. The second project will be WU050101 - Charles Allis Museum - Make Safe Repairs. \$116,000 in tax levy has been allocated for the completion of this project.

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