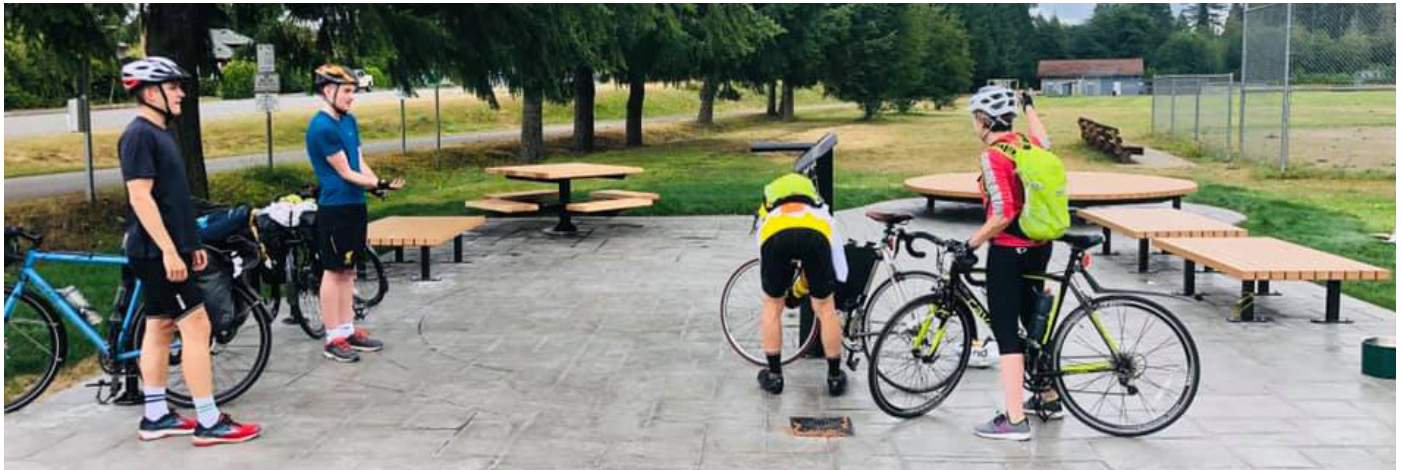




# Creative Districts Capital Projects Grant Program



## Investing in Creative Communities

The award-winning Creative Districts program helps cities designate hubs for creative sector jobs, tourist activities, housing, and more.

In the 2019-20 Capital Budget, the Legislature funded a pilot grant program that supports small-scale capital projects for Creative Districts. These Creative District Capital Projects (CDCP) boost the visibility and attractiveness of the Districts and increase the tourism and economic potential of their communities.

## CDCP Pilot Program Currently Underway

Eight communities in Washington currently participate in the CDCP pilot grant program: Edmonds, Chewelah, Olympia, Port Townsend, Langley, Twisp, Tenino and Issaquah. During this pilot, \$196,000 in grant funds have been leveraged into almost \$450,000 in community investment.

Projects will be fully designed and prepared for construction, or fully constructed and/or installed during this pilot, which will end on June 30, 2021.

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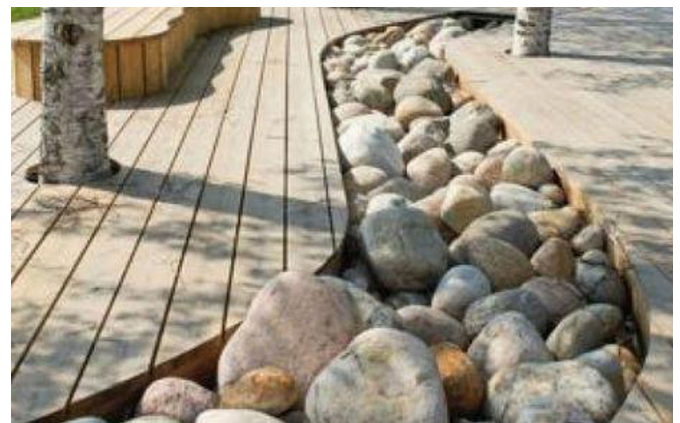
**Capital Budget Biennial Request:** **\$416,120\***  
\*\$412,000 Included in the Governor's Capital Budget

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## Ongoing funding of small-scale projects

We are requesting funding in the 2021-23 Capital Budget to transition the CDCP pilot program into an ongoing Capital program. Investments allow Creative Districts to develop projects such as:

- Comprehensive wayfinding and signage
- Lighting system upgrades
- Festival streets
- Community gathering places or “Commons”
- Maker spaces
- Building and frontage improvements
- Pathway connections
- Pedestrian linkages and more



Photo, top: Bicyclists enjoy amenities at Tenino's Bike Pavilion, located in the city's Creative District. Photo courtesy of City of Tenino. Photo above: Concept for Chewelah Creative District street scape.