

## News from U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC)

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### **Spratt Announces Grant to Arts Council**

WASHINGTON – U.S. Rep. John Spratt (D-SC) announced today that the Lancaster County Council of the Arts has won a \$10,000 “Challenge America” grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.

Spratt said the federal funds would help support a week-long Cultural Arts Festival, designed to showcase and preserve past art influences, while exploring the music, dance, and folk art traditions of Hispanic, African, and Western European cultures present in the county. Twenty-two public, private, and faith-based organizations will partner to plan and implement the festival.

Spratt said the Challenge America program was established by Congress in 2000 to provide support for arts projects in small communities throughout the United States.

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