



Architecture Week 2027 Component Grant

The American Institute of Architects is committed to inspiring K-12 students who will meet the future needs of an ever-evolving profession. Starting early is the key, and Architecture Week is ideal timing to highlight the benefits of pursuing architecture as a viable career path. Architecture Week serves to:

- Inspire youth to learn about the power of design.
- Nourish curiosity to engage in solving grand challenges with design.
- Connect students with architects and design professionals.

With this grant, AIA is pleased to support state and local components, or their affiliated foundations, in their efforts to inspire K-12 students during Architecture Week. Component collaborations are welcome; collaborations with local NOMA/NOMAS/AIAS/ACE Mentor chapters (if applicable) are encouraged. **All applications must be signed by the Executive Director of the chapter or foundation.**

The Architecture Week Component Grant program is in its fourth year with a limited budget. Grants will be awarded based on funding availability.

The [application](#) is open August 15, 2026 through October 15, 2026. Applications will be reviewed by October 31. Grant funds received should be applied toward Architecture Week 2027 activations with K-12 students, with priority funding given to components which:

- activate during Architecture Week 2027 (April 11-17);
- incorporate at least one of AIA's two strategic goals of climate action and/or advancing racial, gender, and ethnic equity;
- maximize the number of student engagements.

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- The program will occur during Architecture Week 2027 (April 11-17).
- The grant must be used for an activation with K-12 students that incorporates at least one of AIA's two strategic goals.
- Only one Architecture Week grant per component per year. Component collaborations are welcome.
- Components may apply for one grant ranging from \$100-\$1200. Depending on the number and amount of requests, it is possible not all components requesting grants will receive funding.
- The component or foundation recipient must receive grant funds via e-payment (ACH) only, to be sent via Bill.com.
- The component will apply for a mayoral Architecture Week [proclamation](#).
- The component or foundation will post details and photos to their own social media accounts.
- The component or foundation will provide specific details [here](#) within 72 hours of completing the activation. (The survey will be emailed as well.)

DEADLINE/PAYMENTS

The deadline for applications is October 15, 2026. Applications will be reviewed and approved by October 31, 2026. AIA will process all grant payments by December 31, 2026. Funds will be distributed via Bill.com e-payment (ACH deposit).

GRANT TIMELINE

Call announced: August 15, 2026

Applications due: October 15, 2026

Requests approved/denied: October 31, 2026

Funds dispersed: by December 31, 2026