

# Minnesota History: Building A Legacy

Report to the Governor and the Legislature on Funding for History Programs and Projects from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund

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COVER IMAGES, CLOCKWISE FROM UPPER-LEFT: Teacher training field trip to Oliver H. Kelley Farm, Elk River; Warroad Quilting Project participant; Lance Knuckles of Emerge Community Development inside old North Branch Library, Minneapolis; Gina Lemon, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe, at Ottertail Peninsula on Leech Lake; Civilian Conservation Corps programming at Forest History Center, Grand Rapids.

# Letter from the Director



It's hard to believe that two years have passed since the voters of Minnesota approved the Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment on November 4, 2008, and created the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. Since the passage of this landmark action, the Minnesota Historical Society has taken its responsibility very seriously as we have carried out the intention of the Legacy Amendment.

While the time has gone quickly and the work has been immense, the progress and outcomes have been tremendously satisfying. In this report you'll read about significant accomplishments: 474 grants received by 343 organizations across Minnesota; more than 40 new statewide historic programs that are reaching new audiences using interactive technology and innovative training methods; more than 25,000 historic images and resources available digitally for the first time; partnerships with more than 50 other history-minded organizations, all focused on fostering education and preserving our legacy.

The sheer volume of these initiatives is impressive. However, what's more important is the impact our work is having on individual lives—citizens in every county, young and old alike; those who love history and those who are being exposed to it for the first time, including:

- The student who is inspired to learn more after history comes alive for him in the classroom through a live, interactive video conferencing program featuring the explorations of French cartographer Joseph Nicollet
- The genealogist who discovers a new descendant because a historical newspaper has been digitized and the story is now available online
- The Ojibwe elder who is able to share and save her native language for future generations through the Ojibwe People's Dictionary

We are pleased to provide the Legislature and the Governor with this report, which shares some of these stories, along with details of each of the grants, projects, partnerships and exhibits funded through the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund that are making a difference across Minnesota.

As we move forward, we would like to express our appreciation to the people of Minnesota. We respectfully ask the Governor and the Minnesota Legislature to renew the funding commitment to history programs and projects through the Minnesota Historical Society. Through our work, we believe Minnesotans across the state will have an unprecedented ability to preserve their history for many years to come and to provide a true legacy gift to future generations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Michael J. Fox". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "F".

Michael J. Fox  
Director

# Overview

Each January, the Minnesota Historical Society is required to report to the governor and legislature all expenditures made from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund (ACHF). This report details all ACHF projects and programs funded through the Society for the 2010–2011 biennium.

These ACHF projects and programs are already giving our state a positive return on its investment. Minnesotans from all walks of life, in all corners of the state are benefitting. ACHF programs and projects are:

- Creating new opportunities for students and teachers
- Empowering Minnesotans to make economic improvements in their communities
- Preserving our state’s priceless resources
- Educating today’s generations about the past
- Giving Minnesotans unprecedented access to historical and cultural resources

Following this introduction, pages 6–20 of this report highlight a sampling of ACHF projects and programs. The remainder of this report lists all the ACHF projects and programs funded through the Society.

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## Background

On November 4, 2008, the voters of Minnesota approved the Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment to preserve some of the most important elements that make Minnesota what it is today.

This amendment to the Minnesota constitution is sometimes referred to as the “Legacy Amendment” and mandates that a portion of the funding be used *“to preserve Minnesota’s history and cultural heritage.”*

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## Minnesota History Coalition

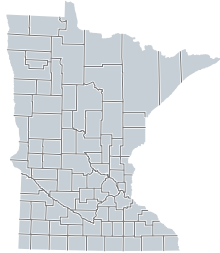
After the passage of the Legacy Amendment, representatives of various state history organizations formed an advisory group called the Minnesota History Coalition. The Coalition held a series of town hall meetings across the state to gather ideas on how Legacy funding should be used.

Ultimately, the Coalition created recommendations aimed at furthering the educational and economic development benefits of historical work in our state. The Coalition presented its recommendations to the legislature, forming the conceptual basis for the 2009 appropriations.

### Minnesota History Coalition Members:

- The Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums
- The Council for Minnesota Archaeology
- The Minnesota Archaeology Society
- The Preservation Alliance of Minnesota
- Historic Northwest Minnesota
- The Minnesota Historical Society

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**MINNESOTA COUNTIES ARE BENEFITTING FROM INVESTMENTS TO PROTECT AND PROMOTE THEIR HISTORY AND CULTURAL HERITAGE.**

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*The demand for history and cultural heritage funding outweighs available resources by a ratio of 2.5 to 1.<sup>3</sup>*

## 195% RETURN ON INVESTMENT

For every \$1 of ACHF funds invested in history-related programs and initiatives, the state receives a return on investment (ROI) of \$1.95 which directly benefits state and local economies.<sup>1</sup>

**\$2.07** PER PERSON PER YEAR<sup>2</sup>

About the cost of a cup of coffee... that's how much each Minnesotan contributed annually through taxes for the grants, programs and initiatives covered in this report. Thank you, Minnesota!

### **1,300+ MINNESOTA ORGANIZATIONS**

and businesses (including vendors) were able to create jobs or extend services due to investments in history and cultural heritage projects.

### **5,000+ MINNESOTA TEACHERS**

are better equipped to teach social studies and history because of new, statewide programs funded through the ACHF.

### **100,000+ MINNESOTA STUDENTS**

are directly benefitting from ACHF programs offered by the Minnesota Historical Society and its partner organizations.

### **474 grants**

awarded to 343 organizations across Minnesota through the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program.

**56%**

More than half of Minnesotans voted to increase their taxes to preserve Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.<sup>4</sup>

**History Matters** As the end of the first biennium of the Legacy Amendment approaches, the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund is making a difference, not only for preserving Minnesota's past, but for shaping its future. These statistics clearly show that in Minnesota, history matters.

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary Economic Footprint of History Expenditures from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund prepared by the University of Minnesota Extension Center for Community Vitality, in consultation with Oregon State University, Rural Studies Program, December 2010.

<sup>2</sup> Based on 2010 United States Census numbers for Minnesota.

<sup>3</sup> Based on overall requested amounts from programs, partnerships and grants.

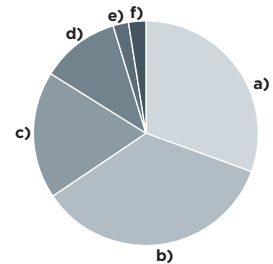
<sup>4</sup> Minnesota Legislative Reference Library, State Constitutional Amendments Considered, [www.leg.state.mn.us/lrl/mngov/constitutionalamendments.aspx](http://www.leg.state.mn.us/lrl/mngov/constitutionalamendments.aspx).

**Appropriations**

The Legacy Amendment dedicates 19.75 percent of overall Legacy funding to the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. The 2009 legislature appropriated \$22 million from the ACHF to the Minnesota Historical Society for the two-year period July 2009–June 2011.

The legislature directed that the funding be used for projects that “preserve and enhance access to Minnesota’s history and its cultural and historical resources.” It divided the \$22 million into six categories:

a) Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program (pgs. 23–73)	\$ 6,750,000
b) Statewide Historical Programs (pgs. 75–82)	\$ 7,750,000
c) Statewide History Partnership Projects (pgs. 83–89)	\$ 4,000,000
d) Exhibit on Minnesota’s Regions and Cultures (pg. 91)	\$ 2,500,000
e) Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites (pg. 92)	\$ 500,000
f) Minnesota Digital Library (pg. 93)	\$ 500,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 22,000,000</b>



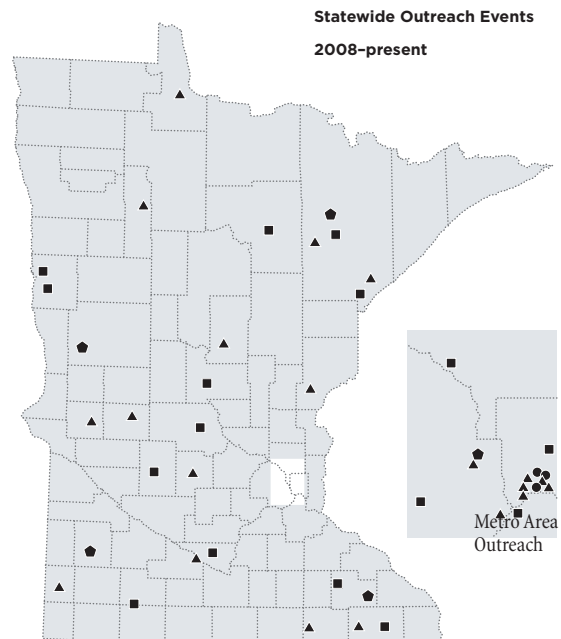
**Statewide Outreach**

In late 2008, the Minnesota Historical Society began collaborating with the public and other history organizations to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of funding historical projects from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

The Society worked to ensure that ACHF projects and programs benefit Minnesotans through at least one of the following ways: education, economic development, preservation.

To date, 44 gatherings involving 1,700 citizens have been held around the state (see map):

- ▲ Grants Workshops: Helped potential grantees apply for funding through the ACHF Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program.
- Historic Resources Advisory Committee: As required by law, the Society appointed a volunteer citizen panel to guide decisions for the Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program. These recommendations were then reviewed and approved by the Society’s governing board.
- Outreach Activities: Solicited opinions and ideas from citizens around the state regarding history expenditures and where funding is needed most.
- ◆ Ten- and 25-year Planning: The Society collaborated with a dozen other historical and cultural organizations to create a 10-year plan and 25-year framework for the use of ACHF funding.



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### **Accountability**

The 2009 legislature required that every project and program supported by the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund “must include measurable outcomes, and a plan for measuring and evaluating the results.”

To meet this requirement, the Minnesota Historical Society is working with Wilder Research and the University of Minnesota Extension Center for Community Vitality to measure the economic value and outcomes of this biennium’s ACHF investments.

In May 2010, the Society began its efforts to ensure measurable outcomes were in place for all projects with a preliminary assessment by WJS Consulting. This led to the October 2010 awarding of a contract to Wilder Research. Wilder Research is assessing the Society’s current evaluation efforts and will assist staff in integrating this outcome-based requirement into their ongoing ACHF work.

In October 2010, the Society also began a project with the U of M Extension Center for Community Vitality to prepare an Economic Footprint of History Expenditures from the ACHF. While results are preliminary at this point, it is estimated that for every \$1 invested into history and cultural heritage, an additional \$1.95 was put back into the state and local economies.

Over the course of 2011, the Society will continue to evaluate the impact of its ACHF projects and programs ensuring that the programs are demonstrating measurable outcomes as well as economic value for citizens.

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### **Transparency**

The Minnesota Historical Society believes that it has a responsibility to the citizens of Minnesota to ensure that the dollars entrusted to our care are invested in ways that are transparent and will produce the greatest measurable impact on lives, enabling our state to thrive.

To meet this goal, the Society has assisted in the building of, and has itself built, web sites that inform the public about all ACHF initiatives funded through the Society. The first, [www.legacy.leg.mn](http://www.legacy.leg.mn), was created by the Legislative Coordinating Commission and contains information on all legacy-funded projects. The second web site, [www.mnhs.org/legacy](http://www.mnhs.org/legacy), is maintained by the Society and provides more in-depth project descriptions, media and information on opportunities to participate in history-related ACHF initiatives.

Through the end of the biennium, the Society will continue to post the most current information about the history-related ACHF initiatives on both web sites, ensuring transparency and responsible stewardship of the funds.

# Inspiring Students and Teachers

## “Our Minnesota”— A Cutting-Edge Exhibit for Tech-Savvy Students

When students step into “Our Minnesota” in late 2012, they will enter an exhibit like no other ever created. Our state’s rich history will spring to life while students, for the first time, will experience a 21st-century field trip designed just for them.

“I think it’s going to revolutionize the field trip,” said Wendy Jones, Head of Museum and Education Programs at the Minnesota History Center.

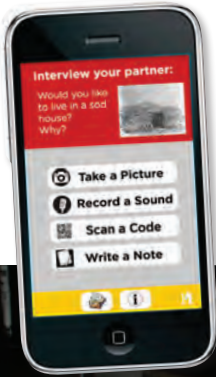
Instead of being told to put away their handheld technology, students will use it as an integral part of the exhibit. Exhibit developers are

now researching the best way for students to use a tool like a smart phone or an iPad to enhance the “Our Minnesota” experience.

Technology will also allow teachers to use elements of the exhibit before the field trip begins and after it ends.

“We’re taking this step not just because it’s cool, but to take the best of what technology has to offer, so we can really promote learning for students,” said Kate Roberts, Senior Exhibit Developer at the Minnesota History Center.

With \$2.5 million from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, the Minnesota History Center is creating “Our Min-





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~ Wendy Jones, Head of Museum and Education Programs



Minneapolis. At stops along the way, streetcar windows will open onto various historical scenes. At University and Marion, the sound of a Tommy gun will introduce the story of a Dillinger gang member gunned down by St. Paul Police at that intersection in 1934.

“Our Minnesota” supports the state history standards and complements what students are learning in *Northern Lights*, Minnesota’s history textbook.

Students who visit “Our Minnesota” will begin their field trip long before they set foot inside the History Center. Exhibit staff are developing an online component students and teachers can use in the classroom to prepare for the exhibit. The mobile application being developed will allow students to download elements of “Our Minnesota” to bring home with them, extending the field trip long after it’s over.

“It’s about how kids today like to learn instead of trying to force them into a mold that no longer exists,” Jones said.

► See page 91 for more on “Our Minnesota.”

nesota” and also traveling exhibits to extend its reach to all corners of the state. The exhibit is being designed primarily for schoolchildren and incorporates the advice of dozens of teachers who participated in focus groups on the project.

While exhibits are always created with students in mind, Roberts said “Our Minnesota” will capture the attention of this new generation, which learns in a whole new way.

Today’s schoolchildren have been dubbed “digital natives.” They have grown up using the internet, video games and cell phones. They prefer to learn in a social, collaborative way that encourages them to ask questions and think critically.

“How do today’s students think, how do they process information, how do they use the tools provided to them?” Roberts said. “We are so completely focused on that student audience.”

“Our Minnesota” visitors will travel to three distinct areas of our state.

### *The Prairie*

In 1873, newlyweds Gro and Ole Rollag left Norway for a new life in Rock County, MN. A replica of a sod house in “Our Minnesota” is based on their home. Visitors will imagine a pioneer family huddling in the 12x16 foot space for an entire winter. Inside a full-scale tipi, visitors will encounter multimedia magic. Poet Bobby Wilson will deliver Dakota history in an engaging slam-poetry style.

### *The Forests*

Visitors will step into the shoes of a miner in the early 1900s. They’ll descend into an Iron Range mine, don headlamps and search for veins of ore. They’ll walk a path of stepping stones across the Mississippi River. They’ll become clerks and American Indians inside a fur post, each bartering for the best deal.

### *The Cities*

The story of the Twin Cities will be told aboard a streetcar “traveling” from the Capitol to downtown



LEFT: Mock-up of Dakota tipi in the “Our Minnesota” testing area at the Minnesota History Center. ABOVE: Student focus group trying out a “plow” in the testing area. RIGHT: Student testing a Panasonic Toughbook laptop computer for the “Our Minnesota” exhibit.

## Reaching More Students: Interactive Video Conferencing

One day in the spring of 2010, Karleen Black's sixth grade classroom became a logging camp.

"The kids got up and became the different roles: loggers, crew leader, cook, tree," said Black, a teacher at Ogilvie Elementary.

Using video conferencing equipment, Black's class connected with a "lumberjack" back at the History Center in St. Paul who led them through a high-energy, in-depth lesson on this important chapter in Minnesota history.

"The students remember so much information because of the interaction," Black said. "All kids are engaged."

Interactive Video Conferencing (IVC) received \$496,427 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. The funds have been used to install an IVC studio at the History Center and to develop and deliver programs to more than 100 classrooms from Hinckley to Pipestone. Students experienced logging, Harriet Bishop's frontier schoolhouse and an expedition with Joseph Nicollet.

Almost every school district in the state has access to IVC equipment, allowing the History Center to engage students far beyond its building.

"It can actually take my students places where we can't afford to take them or to places that no longer exist," Black said.

► See page 75 for more on Interactive Video Conferencing.



TOP: A "lumberjack" at the Minnesota History Center in St. Paul interacting with students in their own classroom. ABOVE: Students at New Life Academy in Woodbury participate in IVC. RIGHT: Teachers at the Northern Lights Academy at the Minnesota History Center in St. Paul.

## Supporting Teachers with More Training

Travis Smith teaches sixth grade in one of the most remote areas of Northern Minnesota. Grygla Elementary School is more than 300 miles from the Twin Cities.

“Without help with funding, there’s no way I’d be able to go down there,” Smith said.

But Smith did get help and it came from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. In November 2010, he drove six hours to the Minnesota History Center in St. Paul to attend the Northern Lights Academy, a teacher workshop on Minnesota’s sixth grade history curriculum.

“I got to bounce back ideas with history teachers from around the state, share my ideas, and get ideas from them on what works best in the classroom,” Smith said.

\$228,046 from the ACHF is allowing more teachers like Smith to attend workshops and training programs that are held around the state.

The ACHF money reduces the registration fee from \$100 to \$50, provides subsidies for teachers who need them, covers substitute teacher fees up to \$100, mileage for teachers traveling more than 50 miles round-trip and lodging for teachers traveling more than 200 miles round-trip.



Over the past two school years, ACHF support defrayed training costs for almost 600 teachers. Doug Tinaglia, a sixth grade teacher at Faribault Middle School, also attended the Northern Lights Academy in St. Paul last November.

Ultimately, he said, it’s the students who benefit from more teacher training.

“Meeting with other teachers, finding out what works, it energizes me,” Tinaglia said. “That transfers to the students and their learning is greatly improved.”

► See page 75 for more on teacher training.

## Legacy Field Trip Support Fund

### CHALLENGE:

**Some schools can’t afford field trips** to the Minnesota History Center and state historic sites because busing costs are too high.

### SOLUTION:

\$109,345 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund is being used to **offset field trip transportation costs** for schools throughout the state.

### RESULT:

By June of 2011, **30,000 more students will participate** in exciting, hands-on history field trips.

► See page 76 for more on the Legacy Field Trip Support Fund.

# Investing in People and Communities

## Historic Library to Become 21st-Century Jobs Center

When Minneapolis Police Chief Tim Dolan's mother needed a break from her four spirited young boys, she would often send them to the North Branch Library near their North Minneapolis home. She knew how to make sure they actually made it there.

"We had to bring back proof," Dolan said.

One time Dolan brought back Homer's *Odyssey*. A librarian had suggested he read it. He did and he loved it.

"This library was a very special thing for us," Dolan told community members in the fall of 2009.

It has been decades since the old North Branch Library served the community like it did when Dolan was a boy. The community eventually outgrew the library, located near West Broadway, and it closed in 1977. The rare Chateausque-style building, built in 1893, retains its historical significance and is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Today, a non-profit called Emerge Community Development envisions new life for the oldest public library building in the Twin Cities. With help from a \$150,000 grant from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, Emerge is creating a Career and Technology Center where people of all ages will have much-needed computer access and training.

"(The Center) will bring jobs to an area where they are greatly needed, create pathways into technology careers of the 21st-century and revitalize an impor-



tant historic landmark," said Lance Knuckles, Emerge's Director of Community Strategies.

Emerge staff say the Career and Technology Center will bring substantial economic benefits to the neighborhood. A study funded by the city of Minneapolis found that 45 percent of households in North Minneapolis have no computer access at home while almost 70 percent of jobs require technical skills. Staff predict the center will provide more than 1,000 neighborhood residents with computer access and training every year.

Emerge also projects that the Career and Technology Center will help place more than 300 clients in jobs in its first 10 years in operation.

The ACHF grant is funding an architectural assessment of the building and development of a design for the building's renovation.

Meanwhile, Emerge has raised almost 70 percent of its \$4.4 million goal and expects to begin construction on the old North Branch Library in early 2011.

"(The center) will serve as a catalyst for further revitalization efforts along North Minneapolis' most important commercial corridor," Knuckles said.

Knuckles predicts the old library's new mission will have a profound social and economic impact in North Minneapolis, an area hit hard by the recession and an area where staff say greater access to technology is imperative.

"I'm glad to see this grand old building will again be something useful for the community," Dolan said.

► See page 63 for more on the North Branch Library grant project.



## Investing in Historic Downtowns

A handful of historic Minnesota communities just got a boost: the Minnesota Main Street Program is back in business, thanks to \$199,658 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Minnesota Main Street is an offshoot of the national Main Street Program, a proven economic development program designed to breathe new life into historic downtowns while preserving their treasures. Minnesota Main Street is already helping Brainerd, Faribault, Red Wing and Willmar with training and technical assistance so they can attract new jobs and businesses.

"It's helping us focus on priorities that deliver the greatest economic success," said Lisa Paxton, CEO of the Brainerd Lakes Chamber of Commerce.

Emily Northey, Minnesota Main Street Program Coordinator, said more communities are interested in joining the revitalization program now that more help is available to them.

"They're more likely to take the plunge when they know there's a support network," Northey said.

► See page 84 for more on the Minnesota Main Street partnership.



## History Helping to Create Community Leaders

Mai Xiong was just one year old when she came to the United States from Thailand. While growing up in St. Paul, she learned little about the Dayton's Bluff neighborhood where she lives or the experiences of other immigrants in her adopted city.

Xiong, now 22, is seeing St. Paul with new eyes.

"To know where you're living, what happened there, to learn about my culture and somebody else's culture. It's amazing," Xiong said.

Xiong is part of the Amherst H. Wilder Foundation's Neighborhood Leadership Program (NLP). During this six-month training program, participants build leadership skills and learn how to get more involved in their communities. More than 600 St. Paul residents from diverse backgrounds have completed the program in the past 15 years.

Last year, NLP added a new di-

mension. For the first time, the Wilder Foundation teamed up with the Minnesota Historical Society to give NLP participants a deeper knowledge of the communities they hope to improve and a better understanding of the context within which they are working. Topics ranging from the history of St. Paul to recent immigration stories are being integrated into each session of the program.

The partnership was paid for with \$109,725 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

The ACHF support allows NLP participants to take part in the program, which kicked off last fall at the Minnesota History Center. Thirty-four participants and their 34 coaches experienced the exhibits and learned about the wealth of resources available through the Society.

"If I'm going to be working to improve



my community, it's important to know what has come and gone," said NLP participant Sherry Johnson of St. Paul.

Many were struck by the "Open House" exhibit, which tracks the dozens of different immigrant families who have lived in one St. Paul house from the late 1800s to today.

While Xiong has just begun learning about her community's past, she's already eager to return to the History Center and share the experience with her family.

"I'm going to bring my kids," she said.

► See page 85 for more on the NLP Partnership.

# Dakota and Ojibwe: Preserving a Legacy

## Arts and Cultural Heritage Funds Help Secure Stunning Historical Discovery

A hump in the ground, with rocks sticking out of it, wouldn't catch most people's attention. But for archaeologist Grant Goltz, that hump led to the most stunning find of his 25-year career.

In September of 2007, Goltz and archaeologist Dr. Christy Hohman-Caine were performing a routine assessment of 47 acres of land on the north end of Leech Lake. A developer had plans to build a marina and upscale vacation homes on the Ottertail Peninsula site.

Then Goltz and Hohman-Caine spotted the hump.

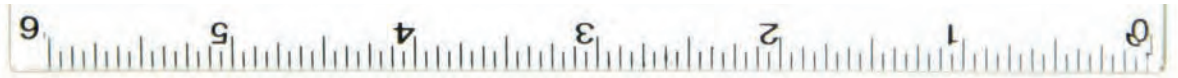
"Finally, we said to each other, do you see what I see?" Goltz said.

They investigated and eventually uncovered the remains of a fireplace from a fur trader's cabin, dating back to the early 1800s. The stone base was just as it was when the fireplace was first built.

"The ashes were still in it," Goltz said.

With further investigation, Goltz and Hohman-Caine





unearthed a fur trading ax, muskrat spears and a northwest trade gun that was still loaded. But those findings were just the beginning.

Under the ground where Goltz and Caine stood was a world lost through

**“You get goose bumps up your back just walking out there.”**

~ Archaeologist Grant Goltz

time. Not only had there been a fur trading post on these wooded acres, but also a 1770s Ojibwe village that was central to the migration history of the Ojibwe people. Goltz also suspects there are burial grounds on the site.

“My eyes welled up with tears,” Gina Lemon recalled how she reacted when she first heard about the discovery.

Lemon’s father is a member of the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. She is the

tribe’s Historic Preservation Officer. She grew up hearing stories about sacred birch bark scrolls that document the westward migration of the Ojibwe into the Leech Lake area.

Historians now believe those scrolls depict the Ottetail Peninsula site as the western end of the Ojibwe people’s migration from the Atlantic coast.

“That’s our legacy, our missing link we never knew existed,” Lemon said. “We’ve seen it (in the scrolls), heard about it, but never put it together until now.”

Today, the Leech Lake Band of

Ojibwe and the Trust for Public Land are raising more than \$2.6 million to buy the property. The partnership has been awarded a competitive grant of \$679,710 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund that will match other non-state funds being raised to protect this important resource.

“Now we have a legacy to hand down to our children,” Lemon said.

In a report about the site, Goltz and

Hohman-Caine write that at different points in the early 1830s, ethnologist and explorer Henry Schoolcraft and explorer Joseph Nicollet met with Chief Flat Mouth and the Leech Lake Ojibwe people on or near the site.

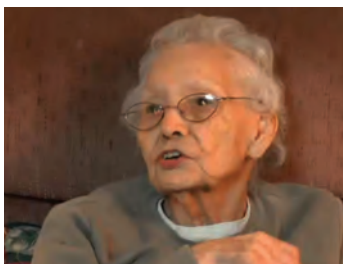
David Mather, the Society’s National Register Archaeologist, considers the site to be one of the most important unprotected historical sites in Minnesota. He is working with the Leech Lake Heritage Sites Program to get the site listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Mather also predicts the site may one day become a National Historic Landmark, which is a higher level of recognition.

Goltz said he has a hard time articulating the magnitude of what he stumbled across, easily the most memorable discovery of his career.

“The history still out there in the ground is unreal,” Goltz said. “You get goose bumps up your back just walking out there.”

► See page 88 for more on the Leech Lake land acquisition.

## Preserving a Diminishing Resource: Dakota Wicohan Oral History Project



Until her death last year, 97-year-old Genevieve LaBatte of Granite Falls was the oldest person in Minnesota to speak Dakota as a first language.

Today, there are just eight first-language Dakota speakers left in the state.

Before LaBatte died, she shared her first language, stories from her life and her thoughts for the future with the Dakota Wicohan Oral History Project. The project received a \$50,000 ACHF grant through the Minnesota Historical Society.

“We can learn language from books, but when we have a speaker who grew up in the language, it means much more,” said Teresa Peterson,

LaBatte’s granddaughter and the project’s director.

Not only is the language being preserved, but also the Dakota history and culture transmitted through the language. Peterson is grateful to have oral histories from her grandmother and several other first language Dakota speakers to share with future generations. As those elders age, the window of opportunity closes.

“It’s really precious,” Peterson said.

► See page 45 for more on the Dakota Wicohan Oral History Project.

## An Endangered Language Comes to Life Online

If you toss aside your idea of a traditional dictionary, and instead envision a multi-layered, multi-dimensional, online collection of Ojibwe language, culture, documents and artifacts, then you have imagined the Ojibwe People’s Dictionary.

“We are bringing together more than just a dictionary,” said Ojibwe History Specialist Brenda Child.

Users of the Ojibwe People’s Dictionary will be able to click on a word or sentence and hear them spoken by Ojibwe elders. Entries in the dictionary will be linked to images, sound and text resources on Ojibwe culture.

“The whole crux of the project is listening to voices. They give it life,” said Project Head John Nichols.

Nearly all fluent speakers of Ojibwe are over 65. The Ojibwe People’s Dictionary is designed to preserve and revitalize the language and also make Ojibwe cultural resources more accessible.

The Minnesota Historical Society and the University of Minnesota have partnered to create the dictionary with \$479,481 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund. They envision it as an invaluable tool not only for speakers and students of the language, scholars and researchers, but for anybody who can log on to the internet.

“It’s free and accessible to everybody,” Child said.

► See page 86 for more on the Ojibwe People’s Dictionary.

**manoominike vai** make, harvest, pick, process wild rice. *1sg ind nimanoominike; 3sg conj manoominiked; 3sg prt menoominiked*  
**manoominike-giizis na** the moon of ricing: August. Also **manoominikewi-giizis [BL]**  
**manoominike-mazina'igaans ni** ricing license. *pl manoominike-mazina'iganan.*  
**manoominikewin ni** making, harvesting, processing wild rice  
**MANOOMINIKEWIN / HARVESTING WILD RICE**  
**bawa'am vai2** knock rice; harvest wild rice by knocking the grains off the stalks with carved sticks (knockers, rice knockers). *1sg ind nibawa'am (nim, im); 3sg conj bawa'ang; 3sg prt bewa'ang*  
**bawa'iganaak na** rice knocker, knocker: a carved stick used (in pairs) to harvest wild rice. *pl bawa'iganaakoog; dim bawa'iganaakoons; loc bawa'igaakong*  
**nooshkaachige vai** winnow wild rice. *1sg ind ninooshkaachige; 3sg conj nooshkaachiged; 3sg prt nwaashkaachiged*  
**nooshkaachinaagan ni** winnowing tray or basket. *pl nooshkaachiganan; dim nooshkaachinaagaans; loc*

**bawa'am vai2** knock rice; harvest wild rice by knocking the grains off the stalks with carved sticks  
 EXAMPLE:  
**Miish giizhiginig, mitaawangaanig, mii imaa endazhi-bawa'amowaad.**  
 And when it (the rice) was ripe, they knocked it in the sandy places. <mk mille lacs>

**bawa'iganaak na** rice knocker, knocker: a carved stick used (in pairs) to harvest wild rice. *pl bawa'iganaakoog; dim bawa'iganaakoons; loc bawa'igaakong*

TOP: Genevieve LaBatte of Granite Falls.  
 ABOVE: An image demonstrating the many layers of the Ojibwe People’s Dictionary.  
 TOP RIGHT: Crew members surveying near West Sunburg Lake, Swift County, MN.  
 RIGHT: 3,000–5,000 year-old arrowhead found in Swift County.



# Linking Past, Present and Future



## Legacy Beneath the Land: Statewide Surveys

It's been well over a century since explorers mapped out the land now known as Minnesota. What hasn't been sketched yet is a complete picture of what lies beneath our land.

"The view we have right now of the first 10,000 years of human history in Minnesota is like looking through a keyhole and trying to see the whole room," said Pat Emerson, Head of Archaeology for the Minnesota Historical Society. "We're just seeing a little bit of it."

With \$500,000 in Arts and Cultural Heritage funds, that is beginning to change. The ACHF is funding surveys of sites around the state that are historically, archaeologically and culturally significant.

"It's allowing us to open the door a little bit," Emerson said.

It's opening the door on areas like Swift County and the upper Minnesota River Valley.

"We know so little about ancient times there," said Dr. Michael Michlovic, Archaeology Professor at Minnesota State University Moorhead (MSUM).

Michlovic and his team were awarded almost \$69,000 to conduct an ar-

chaeological survey of Swift County. Before the survey began, Michlovic said it was hard to talk about ancient times in that area. Only about a dozen archaeological sites in the county had ever been identified.

Over the spring and summer of 2010, Michlovic and his team discovered over 40 more.

The team got permission from local farmers to comb plowed fields for artifacts. They focused on land near lakes and rivers. They found ancient shards of pottery and also spear points and arrowheads dating back 3,000 to 5,000 years.

"This is about the only way we can reach



## Linking Past, Present and Future, cont'd

back to the past and learn something,” Michlovic said.

Michlovic’s team included 10 undergraduate students from MSUM; students who gained practical skills and valuable work experience during the survey.

“The students had a great time and they learned so much,” Michlovic said.

The survey team now believes that the people who lived on or near those Swift County farms thousands of years ago may have been an isolated group. The team did not turn up evidence of much outside influence or materials that would have come from other places.

That knowledge has opened the door a little wider for Minnesotans who want to know who was here before us. The survey’s findings will be presented in an exhibit at the Swift County Historical Museum in Benson.

But there is much more to learn. And today’s explorers are eager to continue.

“The longer we leave the archaeological record unrecorded, the more likely it will be destroyed,” Michlovic said. “Archaeological sites don’t last forever. Learn it or lose it.”

► See page 92 for more on Archaeological and Historical Surveys.

“Archaeological sites don’t last forever. Learn it or lose it.”

~ Dr. Michael Michlovic, Archaeology Professor, Minnesota State University Moorhead



ABOVE: The Swift County survey crew. TOP: Dr. Michlovic examining artifacts found during the survey.

## Survivors' Stories Shared and Saved

"I had never talked with someone who had endured so much tragedy and terror," explained Malcolm Kelner, a high school senior from Hopkins. "It really was a life-changing experience."

Kelner is talking about his friend Joe Rozenberg of St. Louis Park. When Rozenberg was 14, Nazis invaded his hometown in Poland. Rozenberg was forced into Auschwitz and two other concentration camps, where he

watched as his father was sent to the gas chamber.

Rozenberg lost every member of his family except one sister.

"To be in that situation, at that age," Kelner said, "how he got through that experience is unbelievable to me."

Kelner got to know Rozenberg and learn the wrenching details of his life while recording Rozenberg's oral history through a class at Talmud Torah of Minneapolis.

A \$7,000 grant from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund is allowing ten more students to connect with Minnesota Holocaust survivors before it is too late. Students will create an online video archive of survivors' stories before, during and after WWII, including their experiences settling and raising families in Minnesota.

"The students are learning life lessons," said Talmud Torah Executive Director Susie Chalom. "There is hope. You can rebuild your life even after the most devastating thing."

In 2045, long after all Holocaust survivors are gone, Kelner and his fellow oral historians from Talmud Torah will meet at the Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C. Inside, 100 years after the liberation of Auschwitz, they will share their survivors' stories.

"It's up to the people who did learn their stories to pass them on to the next generation and beyond," Kelner said. "Their stories must be kept alive so something as horrible as the Holocaust can never happen again."

► See page 59 for more on the Adopt a Survivor Oral History grant project.



## Kids and Seniors: Connecting and Creating a Legacy

From Grand Rapids to Little Falls, from St. Paul to Spring Valley, Minnesota's youngest and oldest citizens are forging new connections made possible by the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

With \$609,229 in ACHF support, the Minnesota Historical Society has hosted 12 intergenerational projects around the state. The projects allow kids and seniors to get to know each other while learning their community's history and practicing new skills together.

In Warroad, pre-teen girls gathered with women from the Warroad Senior Living Center to design and display four quilts inspired by life in the 1930s and 1940s.

One senior described her favorite part of the project:

"Meeting and interacting with the young girls. They were interested about the early years of Warroad and brought back many pleasant memories."

In Spring Valley, sixth graders and seniors worked together to create a picture book of city history for the community to enjoy.

A community member commented: "Very good [project]. I hope it expands to include more schools and students. I'm happy my tax dollars are being used for a [project] like this."

► See page 79 for more on Intergenerational Learning Programs.



TOP LEFT: Malcolm Kelner and Joe Rozenberg. TOP RIGHT: Rozenberg in 1945. ABOVE: Participants of the Warroad Quilting Project.

# Access for Everyone

## The Minnesota Digital Library

If today's historians do a good job preserving our historical resources and make them convenient to find and use, it will be that much easier for researchers, schoolchildren, teachers, genealogists and everyone else to draw on those resources in the future.

The Minnesota State Legislature has appropriated \$500,000 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund to Minitex and the Minnesota Historical Society for a digital library project to preserve, digitize and share Minnesota images, documents and historic materials.

The Minnesota Digital Library (MDL) is administered by Minitex, an information and resource sharing program of the Minnesota Office of Higher Education and the University of Minnesota Libraries.

The funds are addressing several pressing needs.

### Preservation

One of those needs is finding an answer to this question: as technology changes, how can our digital collections be preserved for the long term, so that their quality is maintained for countless future generations?

Our history today is documented almost exclusively in digital form: we use digital cameras, digital camcorders, email and ebooks.

"If we don't have the means to preserve digital information, then there will be no information for anyone in the future to use for history books, History Day and other research," said Robert Horton, Minnesota Historical Society's director of Library, Publications and Collections.

The MDL is undertaking a major digital preservation initiative by participating in a prototype project with HathiTrust, a national shared digital repository. The MDL is exploring a way to ensure that the content from

its own *Minnesota Reflections* database and other institutions, including the University of Minnesota and the Minnesota Historical Society, will always be available to the public.

This pilot project will provide the MDL with the experience it needs to support the further development of preservation efforts to protect the state's digital heritage. Such experiences will allow the MDL to reach out to organizations in Minnesota that also have digital collections in need of long-term preservation.

### Newspapers Online

It's not something most people think about when they read the daily paper, but newspapers are actually daily history books, documenting noteworthy events within a community.

"Newspapers are the most important and the most popular resource we have in our library," Horton said. "They are used by every type of researcher for every type of research."

The Minnesota Digital Library is also developing a web site containing dozens of digitized newspapers from around the state making them accessible to everybody.

Horton says the Newspapers Online project saves time and money because content will be uploaded by just one

operation instead of dozens of individual newspapers. The newspapers are being digitized with funding from a variety of sources. In 2011, they will be online and available to the public on the MDL's website.

### Minnesota Reflections Web site

The Minnesota Digital Library's ACHF allocation is also making historical resources from around the state more accessible to students, teachers, researchers and the general public.

MDL's Minnesota Reflections web site contains a treasure trove of more than 58,000 historic photos and documents from more than 115 organizations across the state. Through the ACHF, resources continue to be added to the web site.

"There are lots of treasures in Minnesota we didn't know about. They've been hidden in boxes, in file cabinets and drawers," said MDL Outreach Coordinator Marian Rengel, whose position is supported by Arts and Cultural Heritage funds.

Rengel helps organizations across the state digitize their historical collections and upload them to the Minnesota Reflections web site.

► See page 93 for more on the Minnesota Digital Library.



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## Excerpt of an Entry from Minnesota Reflections reflections.mndigital.org

"I remember my father coming home from Rochester one day in great excitement. The government had called on young men to enlist, and if they did not they would be shot down in their own dooryard. I can remember my mother crying and my father saying it was his duty to go."

~ Martha Dieter, recalling the day her father announced he was joining the Union Army.

Martha Dieter was a little girl living in a log house just north of Rochester when she learned her father was leaving to fight in the Civil War. After he left, Martha's family fought starvation, disease and bitter cold weather. Martha's gripping account of what her family endured during the 1860s in Southeastern Minnesota is just one of more than 58,000 historic documents and images that can be viewed for free by anyone with access to the internet through Minnesota Digital Library's *Minnesota Reflections* web site.

Martha, her mother and three siblings somehow managed to survive their dire circumstances. Martha's father did not. He became a prisoner of war and never saw his family again.

"...We heard that he had died when he was being moved from Andersonville to Libby Prison," Martha wrote, as an adult in 1936. "He was so nearly dead from starvation that he could not stand the trip. He was buried in a trench in the South."



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## A Reliable Digital Resource: Encyclopedia of Minnesota History

Every day, Minnesotans search Wikipedia to get a question answered. If it's a question about Minnesota history, Wikipedia's answer may or may not be accurate.

"There's a need for a relevant, reliable resource related to Minnesota history," said Erica Hartmann, of the Minnesota Historical Society Press.

That need is being filled by the Encyclopedia of Minnesota History, a web

site being developed by the Minnesota Historical Society with \$265,576 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Encyclopedia entries will draw on the vast resources of the Minnesota Historical Society and its collections, images, library reference materials and more. The website is under construction with a launch in 2012.

Hartmann, the encyclopedia's editor, says it will be designed to be used

by a wide range of people: teachers, students, parents, journalists, tourists, researchers.

"It gets our resources out there to people who can't come here," Hartmann said.

► See page 77 for more on the Encyclopedia of Minnesota History.

## Traveling Exhibits: A Priceless Opportunity

Never had the Wright County Historical Society gotten such a great response from visitors.

"I can't tell you how many new members I picked up," said Business Manager Sally Stevens.

In a little more than a month during the summer of 2010, a traveling exhibit called "Journey Stories" attracted more than 1,200 visitors to the Wright County Historical Society. In the same time period the year before, the Wright County Historical Society saw just 65 people.

"In a rural county like Wright County, the money spent is priceless to us," Stevens said. "People traveled from all over—people who can't make it to the Smithsonian."

The traveling exhibit, part of the Smithsonian's Museum on Main Street program, was made possible by a partnership between the Minnesota Historical Society and the Minnesota Humanities Center. The partnership is supported by \$52,080 from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

In 2010-2011, "Journey Stories" is traveling from Winona to Thief River Falls and four other Minnesota communities in between. Another Museum on Main Street exhibit, "New Harmonies," will travel from Austin to Roseau and four other communities in 2011.



Another \$476,012 from the ACHF is allowing the Minnesota Historical Society to expand its own traveling exhibits with a program called "Exhibits to Go."

"The Legacy money is allowing us to reach more people with important stories of their history," said Aaron Novodvorsky, a Project Specialist at the Society.

Exhibits on Minnesota's maps, rural electrification, New Deal-era architecture, Minnesota disasters, the history of the Minnesota home front during World War II and other subjects will travel to communities throughout the state in 2011.

► See page 78 for more on traveling exhibits.



TOP: "Journey Stories" exhibit at the Wright County Historical Society (photo courtesy Sally Stevens).  
LEFT: "Minnesota on the Map" on display.  
ABOVE: "Minnesota Homefront" poster.

# Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund

## History Appropriations Language

**Session Law Reference:**  
**Laws of Minnesota, 2009,**  
**Chapter 172, Article 4,**  
**Section 2.**

(a) The appropriations in this subdivision are to the Minnesota Historical Society from the arts and cultural heritage fund to preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's history and its cultural and historical resources. Grants agreements entered into by the Minnesota Historical Society and other recipients of appropriations in this section shall ensure that these funds are used to supplement and not substitute for traditional sources of funding. Funds directly appropriated to the Minnesota Historical Society shall be used to supplement, and not substitute for, traditional sources of funding. Funds appropriated in the first year may be carried over to the second. No more than 2.5 percent of each appropriation may be used for administration by the Minnesota Historical Society. The Minnesota Historical Society, with the assistance of recipients funded under this section, shall report on all expenditures made from these funds to the legislature and governor by January 15 of each year.

(b) Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants. (i) \$2,250,000 in 2010 and \$4,500,000 in 2011 are appropriated for history

programs and projects operated or conducted by or through local, county, regional or other historical or cultural organizations; or for activities to preserve significant historic and cultural resources. Funds are to be distributed through a competitive grants process. The Minnesota Historical Society shall administer these funds using established grants mechanisms, and with assistance from the advisory committee created herein. The Preston grain elevator restoration and recreation project shall be eligible for grants under this program. Also eligible for a grant under this section are projects previously approved by the Minnesota Historical Society that have had this approved funding refused by a public board or governing body, provided that these projects are now administered by a nonprofit organization. Ironworld is eligible for a grant under this program. (ii) The Minnesota Historical Society shall appoint a historic resources advisory committee, with balanced statewide membership and representatives of local, county, and statewide historical and cultural organizations and programs, to provide policy and grant making guidance on expenditures of

funds from this paragraph. This membership shall include, but is not limited to, members representing the interests of historic preservation, local history, archaeology, archival programs, and other cultural programs related to the history of Minnesota. This committee shall seek input from all interested parties, and shall make recommendations for expenditures from these funds to the executive council of the Minnesota Historical Society; all expenditures must meet the requirements of Minnesota Statutes, section 138.01.

(c) Programs. \$3,000,000 in 2010 and \$4,750,000 in 2011 are for programs and purposes related to the historical and cultural heritage of the state of Minnesota, conducted by the Minnesota Historical Society.

(d) History Partnerships. \$1,250,000 in 2010 and \$2,750,000 in 2011 are for partnerships between and with the Minnesota Historical Society and partnering organizations to enhance access to Minnesota's history and cultural heritage in all regions of the state.

(e) \$2,500,000 in 2010 is appropriated to the Min-

## Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund History Appropriations Language, cont'd

nesota Historical Society for an exhibit on the regional, local, and cultural diversity of Minnesota's history and cultural heritage. These funds are available until expended. These funds are for the creation of both traveling exhibits to be made available to local historical and cultural organizations and an exhibit to be housed at the Minnesota History Center. The Minnesota Historical Society shall raise funds from private sources to augment this appropriation, with a goal of \$1,500,000 in private funds to be raised. This is not a match requirement, but the Minnesota Historical Society shall certify that a good faith effort has been made.

(f) Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites. \$250,000 in 2010 and \$250,000 in 2011 are appropriated to the Minnesota Historical Society for a contract or contracts to be let on a competitive basis to conduct a general statewide survey of Minnesota's sites of historical, archaeological, and cultural signifi-

cance. Results of this survey must be published in a searchable form, available to the public on a cost-free basis. The Minnesota Historical Society, the Office of the State Archaeologist, and the Board of Indian Affairs shall each appoint a representative to an oversight board, to select a contractor and direct the conduct of this survey. The oversight board shall consult with the Minnesota Departments of Transportation and Natural Resources. Funds appropriated for this purpose do not cancel and may be carried over from one year to the next.

(g) Digital Library. \$500,000 in 2010 is appropriated for a digital library project to preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota images, documents, and historic materials. The Minnesota Historical Society shall cooperate with the Minnetex system and shall jointly share this appropriation for these purposes.



# Full Report of ACHF History Grants, Programs, Partnerships and Statewide Initiatives

Since the passage of the Legacy Amendment on November 4, 2008, the Minnesota Historical Society has carefully used funds to develop exhibits, fund educational programs, form partnerships and award grants that will help Minnesotans understand their past, and in turn, move on to a better future. The next tabbed sections of the report are organized to reflect the six sections of the appropriations bill and funded initiatives in each area.

With these initiatives, programs and grants, Minnesotans across the state have an unprecedented ability to preserve their history for many years to come and to provide a true legacy gift to future generations. To review the complete history appropriations language from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund bill, see page 21.

# Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program

Minnesota is fortunate to have more than 500 active historical organizations across the state, ranging from county and local historical organizations to topical historical organizations, such as transportation history museums, to organizations that preserve historic structures. Each of these organizations serves an important role in preserving significant stories of the people and events of Minnesota. Through the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program, the Minnesota Historical Society, with the assistance of the Historic Resources Advisory Committee (a citizen advisory panel), awarded 474 grants, totaling \$6.55 million, through a competitive process to 343 organizations in 86 Minnesota counties. Despite the tremendous success of this program, the need for Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants is great and demand outweighed available resources by a ratio of six to one.

The following 50 pages list all of the grants awarded through this program.

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**APPROPRIATION LANGUAGE:** *Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants. (i) \$2,250,000 in 2010 and \$4,500,000 in 2011 are appropriated for history programs and projects operated or conducted by or through local, county, regional or other historical or cultural organizations; or for activities to preserve significant historic and cultural resources. Funds are to be distributed through a competitive grants process. The Minnesota Historical Society shall administer these funds using established grants mechanisms, and with assistance from the advisory committee created herein.*

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**Senate District: 01, House District: 01A**

City of Thief River Falls **\$99,000**

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Thief River Falls Public Library: Historic Carnegie Library Restoration. To stabilize the structure and improve the environmental systems in the Thief River Falls Carnegie Library for use as a community center. The Library is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Thief River Falls, MN, Pennington County

Roseau County Historical Society **\$2,468**

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Roseau County Veterans Oral History. To conduct, record and transcribe 13 oral history interviews with Korean and Vietnam veterans from Roseau County. • Roseau, MN, Roseau County

City of Warroad **\$34,681**

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Canadian National Depot: Exterior Repairs. To repair and repaint exterior wood surfaces, replace windows and restore the front door for the Canadian National Depot in Warroad. The depot is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Warroad, MN, Roseau County

Kittson County Historical Society **\$877**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 32 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Lake Bronson, MN, Kittson County

Kittson County Historical Society **\$6,995**

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Kittson Co. War Veterans Oral History Project. To document in seven to 10 oral history interviews, the military experience of Kittson County citizens from 1941 through 2010. • Lake Bronson, MN, Kittson County

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**Senate District: 01, House District: 01B**

Prairie Skyline Foundation, Inc. **\$7,000**

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Former Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Reuse Analysis. To hire professional consultants to measure the feasibility of operational models for its facility as a publicly desired arts and community center. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Crookston, MN, Polk County

Red Lake Falls Public Library \$787

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 29 standard Minnesota history book titles to the public library's collection and broaden access to Minnesota history. • Red Lake Falls, MN, Red Lake County

Argyle Historical Society \$6,383

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Marshall County Banner Film and Viewer. To add 50 rolls of microfilmed newspapers and acquire a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Argyle, MN, Marshall County

City of Stephen \$7,000

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Backward Glances Book. To republish and update "Backward Glances" (1982) by Lawrence Sunsdahl, the definitive history of the Stephen area. • Stephen, MN, Marshall County

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**Senate District: 02, House District: 02A**

Lake Itasca Region Pioneer Farmers, Inc. \$45,000

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J. Neils/Red Lake Indian Sawmill Observatory/Canopy. To construct a protective overhead canopy to protect and preserve the J. Neils/Red Lake Sawmill and equipment. • Fosston, MN, Clearwater County

Mahnomen County Historical Society \$7,000

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Restoration and Display of High School Photographs. To create an exhibit of the history of two high schools in Mahnomen County. • Mahnomen, MN, Mahnomen County

Norman County Historical Society \$1,324

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Loft Clothing Preservation. To preserve through proper storage, 232 textiles that document Norman County history. • Ada, MN, Norman County

City of Winger \$2,900

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Americans with Disabilities Access to the Gosen School. To broaden public access to the Gosen School, which houses the Winger History Museum. • Winger, MN, Polk County

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**Senate District: 02, House District: 02B**

Clearwater County Historical Society \$673

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 24 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Bagley, MN, Clearwater County

Clearwater County Historical Society \$6,500

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Replace Deteriorated Floor in Exhibit and Storage Area. To abate water infiltration of a large functional object storage facility to better preserve stored objects. • Bagley, MN, Clearwater County

## Minnesota's Historic Northwest

\$6,876

Collections Care and Management at 10 Area Museums. To improve care of collections and collections storage at history museums in 10 Northwestern Minnesota counties. • Bagley, MN, Clearwater County

## Hubbard County Public Works

\$7,000

Lake Country Scenic Byway Interpretive Plan. To develop a master interpretive plan for the Lake Country Scenic Byway. • Park Rapids, MN, Hubbard County

## Midwest Minnesota Community Development Corporation

\$5,000

Park Rapids National Guard Armory Evaluation Project. To prepare an evaluation for possible inclusion of the Armory in the National Register of Historic Places. • Park Rapids, MN, Hubbard County

## Hubbard County Historical Society

\$1,488

Heritage Room Conservation. To better preserve significant artifacts documenting Hubbard County history by installing preventative conservation products. • Park Rapids, MN, Hubbard County

## Senate District: 03, House District: 03A

### Depot Preservation Alliance

\$7,000

Historic Transportation Exhibit Planning Services: Baudette Depot. To create and install an exhibit about transportation history in the Canadian National Railways Depot. The Depot is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Baudette, MN, Lake of the Woods County

### Depot Preservation Alliance

\$86,194

Canadian National Railways Depot: Preservation and Adaptive Reuse Project. To repair and restore the interior and exterior of the Canadian National Railways Depot. The Depot is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Baudette, MN, Lake of the Woods County

### Lake of the Woods County Historical Society

\$8,905

Microfilm Reader/Printer Upgrade. To broaden public access to primary historical records through a microfilm reader/printer. • Baudette, MN, Lake of the Woods County

### City of Coleraine

\$27,400

Coleraine Carnegie Library: Accessibility and Efficiency Improvements. To replace the furnace and air conditioner with high-efficiency units as well as repair the roof on the Coleraine Library. The Library is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Coleraine, MN, Itasca County

### Citizens for Backus/AB

\$6,534

Backus Security Project: Phase II. To improve security of the Alexander Baker and E.W. Backus Schools by adding eleven cameras to the security system. The Alexander Baker and E.W. Backus Schools are listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • International Falls, MN, Koochiching County

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**Senate District: 03, House District: 03B****Itasca County Historical Society****\$2,303**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 84 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records in honor of the Society's 60th anniversary. • Grand Rapids, MN, Itasca County

**Itasca County Historical Society****\$7,000**

Microfilm Reader/Printer. To make accessible primary historical records through a new microfilm reader/printer. • Grand Rapids, MN, Itasca County

**Itasca County Historical Society****\$1,197**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Grand Rapids, MN, Itasca County

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**Senate District: 03, House District: 03B****Maritime Heritage Minnesota****\$9,820**

Mississippi River Aitkin County Survey Pilot Project. To conduct an underwater archaeological imaging sonar survey of the Mississippi River in Aitkin County to locate and identify submerged cultural resources. • Maritime Heritage Minnesota based in Saint Paul, MN, survey in Aitkin County

**Maritime Heritage Minnesota****\$6,958**

Andy Gibson Excavation & NRHP Nomination. To prepare a nomination for the Steamboat Andy Gibson shipwreck to the National Register of Historic Places. • Maritime Heritage Minnesota based in Saint Paul, MN, survey in Aitkin County

**Itasca County Historical Society****\$6,376**

Web Development and Outreach. To broaden and improve public access to Itasca County history through a web site. • Grand Rapids, MN, Itasca County

**City of Grand Rapids****\$7,000**

Central School Light Replacement. To restore 26 historic light fixtures in the Central School. The Central School is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Grand Rapids, MN, Itasca County

**Aitkin County Historical Society****\$2,070**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To acquire 38 rolls of microfilmed newspapers for the society's research library to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Aitkin, MN, Aitkin County

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**Senate District: 04, House District: 04A****Beltrami County Historical Society****\$6,896**

Exhibit: Doctor, Doctor, Give Me the News: Early Healthcare. To produce a new exhibit on early Beltrami County healthcare based on primary historical records in local and state repositories. • Bemidji, MN, Beltrami County

**Beltrami County Historical Society** **\$6,607**

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Collections Inventory and Registration Update Project. To gain intellectual and physical control of over 20,000 artifacts documenting Beltrami County history. • Bemidji, MN, Beltrami County

**Beltrami County** **\$6,990**

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NRHP Nomination for Archaeological Site 21BL0289. To hire a professional historian to complete research and documentation of an archaeological site of a Woodland Period fishing camp (1,000-3,000 years ago) in preparation for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. • Bemidji, MN, Beltrami County

**Bemidji State University, Ojibwe Language Program** **\$49,500**

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Ojibwe Oral History, Publication and Archive Project. To record, transcribe and translate Ojibwe language oral histories that will be used to augment the Oshkaabewis Native Journal, then digitally add the journal and back issues to the Bemidji State University web site for public access. • Bemidji, MN, Beltrami County

**Minnesota Indian Affairs Council** **\$120,350**

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Making Connections: Native Traditions and Archaeology; Manuscript and MIAC Portal. To analyze existing archaeological data from two cultural landscapes and interpret it for use among American Indian people by creating a manuscript and web portal. • Bemidji, MN, Beltrami County

**The Trust for Public Land** **\$7,000**

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Ottertail Peninsula Site National Register Nomination and Management Plan. To prepare a nomination for the National Register of Historic Places and a management plan for the 47-acre property on Ottertail Peninsula, Leech Lake. A fur trade post and Ojibwe village were found on the site. • The Trust for Public Land is based in Saint Paul, MN, the project is in Cass County

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**Senate District: 04, House District: 04B**

**Pine River Fire Department** **\$1,695**

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Pine River Horse-Drawn Fire Engine. To professionally assess the condition of a 90-year-old horse drawn fire apparatus used by the Pine River Fire Department. • Pine River, MN, Cass County

**Heritage Group North, Inc.** **\$6,975**

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City of Pine River Walking Tour. To install a self-guided walking tour to enable public access to the history of Pine River. • Pine River, MN, Cass County

**Heritage Group North, Inc.** **\$6,500**

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Historic Pine River Depot National Register Nomination. To hire a historian to prepare a nomination of the Pine River Depot for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. • Pine River, MN, Cass County

**Paul Bunyan Scenic Byway Association** **\$5,500**

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Paul & Babe's GeoHunt. To increase public access to historic resources along the Paul Bunyan Scenic Byway. • Pequot Lakes, MN, Crow Wing County

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**Senate District: 05, House District: 05A**

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**City of Mountain Iron****\$48,000**

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Interpretive Project for Mountain Iron National Landmark Site. To increase public access to Mountain Iron Mine National Historic Landmark through an interpretive project. • Mountain Iron, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Friends of B'nai Abraham****\$6,994**

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B'nai Abraham Synagogue: Stained Glass Window Restoration. To restore the prominent 50-square-foot stained glass window above the facility's front entrance. The Synagogue is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Friends of B'nai Abraham is based in Golden Valley, MN, the project is in Virginia, Saint Louis County

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**Friends of B'nai Abraham****\$38,826**

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B'nai Abraham Synagogue: Exterior Restoration and Occupancy Code Requirements. To repoint masonry and preserve windows of the B'nai Abraham Synagogue, undergoing rehabilitation for use as a community center. The Synagogue is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Friends of B'nai Abraham is based in Golden Valley, MN, the project is in Virginia, Saint Louis County

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**Friends of B'nai Abraham****\$16,100**

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B'nai Abraham Synagogue: Vestibule, Window Restoration, Exterior Repair. To restore one window and repair brick at the B'nai Abraham, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Friends of B'nai Abraham is based in Golden Valley, MN, the project is in Virginia, Saint Louis County

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**Friends of B'nai Abraham****\$7,000**

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Construction of Canopy. To restore a historic canopy on the B'nai Abraham Synagogue. The Synagogue is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Friends of B'nai Abraham is based in Golden Valley, MN, the project is in Virginia, Saint Louis County

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**Mesabi Range College Library****\$1,136**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 40 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Virginia, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Virginia Area Historical Society****\$7,000**

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Providing the Public with Early Issues of the Range Facts. To microfilm and make accessible the newspaper Range Facts from 1934 through 1941. • Virginia, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Laurentian Arts and Culture Alliance****\$3,425**

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Lyric Theater Brick Repair. To repair broken bricks on the Lyric Theater. The Theater is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Virginia, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Iron Range Historical Society****\$518**

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 17 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Gilbert, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Gilbert Public Library****\$1,107**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Gilbert, MN, Saint Louis County



Sisu Heritage Inc. \$60,500  
Alex Seitaniemi Housebarn Restoration: Phase 1. To stabilize and restore the exterior and foundation of the Alex Seitaniemi Housebarn. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Embarrass, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Senate District: 05, House District: 05B**

Minnesota Museum of Mining \$7,000  
Iron Ore Mining and Iron Range Life, 1920-1950s. To develop and research the overall storyline of the main exhibit hall depicting life on the Iron Range from 1920 through 1950. • Chisholm, MN, Saint Louis County

Minnesota Museum of Mining \$50,000  
Iron Ore Mining and Iron Range Life, 1920s-1950s, Exhibit. To design and create an interactive exhibit on the daily lives of iron ore miners at work and home from the 1920s to the 1950s. • Chisholm, MN, Saint Louis County

Minnesota Discovery Center \$4,829  
Iron Stories Exhibit. To create an exhibit on the history of the Iron Range as told through the personal narrative of 10 residents. • Chisholm, MN, Saint Louis County

Minnesota Discovery Center \$3,586  
Glen Location Site Signs. To install self-guided interpretive signage so that the public may explore a historic mine location site. • Chisholm, MN, Saint Louis County

Minnesota Discovery Center \$7,000  
Inventory of the Object Collection. To gain intellectual and physical control over approximately 5,000 objects documenting Iron Range history. • Chisholm, MN, Saint Louis County

Hibbing Economic Development Authority \$2,250  
Hibbing Historical Interpretive Tour. To produce a historic walking tour brochure. This is a partial award to assist with printing costs. • Hibbing, MN, Saint Louis County

Hibbing Community College Library \$1,197  
Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access. • Hibbing, MN, Saint Louis County

Hibbing Community College Library \$6,999  
Newspaper Archival Access. To make primary records accessible through a new microfilm reader/printer. • Hibbing, MN, Saint Louis County

Hibbing Historical Society \$7,000  
HHS Digitization & Public Access Project. To digitize 482 Oliver Mining Company glassplate negatives and add them to a web site. • Hibbing, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Senate District: 06, House District: 06A**

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**Gunflint Trail Historical Society****\$25,000**

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Chik-Wauk Museum and Nature Center. To install a exhibit about the history of life in the Gunflint Trail area. • Grand Marais, MN, Cook County

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**Gunflint Trail Historical Society****\$5,200**

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Gunflint Trail Historical Society Oral History Project. To document, in three to five oral history interviews, the history of residents along the Gunflint Trail and to transcribe 10 additional interviews. • Grand Marais, MN, Cook County

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**Minnesota Department of Transportation****\$235,131**

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Cascade River Wayside. To restore the WPA stone wall of the Cascade River Wayside. The Wayside is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Cascade River State Park, MN, Cook County

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**Listening Point Foundation****\$10,900**

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Listening Point: Stonework Preservation. To restore the masonry foundation facade, exterior steps and interior fireplace hearth in the cabin at Listening Point. The Cabin is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Ely, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Dorothy Molter Foundation and Museum****\$581**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 19 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access through well-rounded interpretation. • Ely, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Dorothy Molter Foundation and Museum****\$42,625**

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Dorothy Molter Museum Interpretive Plan. To complete an interpretive plan for the museum making more effective use of limited resources and better serving the public. • Ely, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Dorothy Molter Foundation and Museum****\$3,300**

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Web Site Redesign. To broaden and improve public experience and increase accessibility to Boundary Waters history through a web site upgrade. • Ely, MN, Lake County

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**Ely-Winton Historical Society****\$2,850**

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Timeline Through Ely-Winton History. To reinterpret and expand the interpretive timeline that introduces the Society's main exhibit gallery. • Ely, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Ely Greenstone Public Art Committee****\$6,000**

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Furnace Repair and Pest Control in the Miners Dry and Shaft House. To control the climate in Miners Dry and Shaft Houses. The site is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Ely, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Vermilion Community College Library****\$1,879**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 35 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Ely, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Bois Forte Heritage Museum****\$7,000**

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Carl Gawboy Documentary. To broaden public access to the work of reknowned Ojibwe artist Carl Gawboy through a documentary. • Tower, MN, Saint Louis County

<b>Bois Forte Heritage Museum</b>	<b>\$4,700</b>
Existing Museum HVAC Evaluation. To hire an engineering professional to evaluate the museum environment prior to making improvements for better storage of culturally significant artifacts. • Tower, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>City of Tower</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>
Tower Train Depot – Determination of Eligibility for National Register Nomination. To hire a professional historian to prepare a nomination of the Duluth Missabe and Iron Range Depot to the National Register of Historic Places. • Tower, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>Cook County Historical Society</b>	<b>\$6,987</b>
CCC Cook County. To create and install an exhibit about the work of the Civilian Conservation Corps in Cook County. • Grand Marais, MN, Cook County	
<b>Cook County Historical Society</b>	<b>\$6,472</b>
Vertical File Inventory and Cataloging. To consolidate research finding aids into a single access point that will help the public more quickly locate historic resources. • Grand Marais, MN, Cook County	
<b>Schroeder Area Historical Society</b>	<b>\$4,000</b>
Graphic Art Template and Book Publishing. To publish the 80-page book, “Mapping Schroeder History: 150 Years and More.” • Schroeder, MN, Cook County	
<b>St. Cloud State University</b>	<b>\$56,050</b>
Knife Lake Archaeological Research. To initiate research at five adjacent archaeological sites in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness, which will inform a forthcoming nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. • The University is based in Saint Cloud, MN, the project is in Lake County	
<b>Great Lakes Shipwreck Preservation Society</b>	<b>\$3,325</b>
Madeira Bollards Display at Split Rock Lighthouse State Park. To mount an outdoor exhibit on the Madeira shipwreck. • The Society is based in Fridley, MN, the project is in Lake County	
<b>Great Lakes Shipwreck Preservation Society</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>
Madeira Anchor History Signage. To provide public access to the story of the Madeira shipwreck by adding an interpretive panel to the Madeira’s anchor on display at Split Rock State Park. • The Society is based in Fridley, MN, the project is in Lake County	
<b>Great Lakes Shipwreck Preservation Society</b>	<b>\$4,148</b>
Hesper Artifacts Display Case and Interpretive Sign. To build and install a display case to house artifacts from the Hesper shipwreck. • The Society is based in Fridley, MN, the project is in Lake County	
<b>William M. Kelley High School</b>	<b>\$1,860</b>
“Company Town” Oral History. To document in oral history interviews, the history of Silver Bay, a taconite processing “company town” from the 1950s through the 1980s. • Silver Bay, MN, Lake County	
<b>Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa</b>	<b>\$6,972</b>
Conservation Assessment/Preservation Plan. To conduct a general conservation assessment of its collections and provide a long-range plan for preservation. • Grand Portage, MN, Cook County	

Birthing Ways — Doula Connection \$4,095

Duluth Birth History Oral History Project. To document in five to seven oral history interviews, the history of maternity care in Duluth prior to 1941. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Senate District: 06, House District: 06B**

Hermantown Historical Society \$4,788

Catalog Collections Using PastPerfect. To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust using PastPerfect Museum Software. • Hermantown, MN, Saint Louis County

1854 Treaty Authority \$37,000

1854 Treaty Authority Cultural Resource Project. To evaluate and survey archaeological resources by the Grand Portage and Bois Forte Tribal Historic Preservation Offices. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County

Archives of The College of St. Scholastica \$4,158

Conservation Assessment/Preservation Plan. To provide a general conservation assessment of the college archives. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Senate District: 07, House District: 07A**

Regents of the University of Minnesota (Duluth Campus) \$17,000

Evaluation of UMD Museums' Mechanical Systems. To evaluate environmental systems of the University's museums (Glensheen, Tweed Museum of Art and Chester Building) as preparation for improving preservation conditions. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (Duluth Campus) \$38,000

Chester and Clara Congdon Estate (Glensheen): Historic Structure Report. To prepare a historic structure report for Glensheen, the Historic Congdon Estate. The Congdon Estate is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (Duluth Campus) \$4,200

Preservation Assessment: Tweed Museum Works on Paper. To hire a professional paper conservator to assess a significant historical paper collection in preparation for a long-range preservation plan. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County

Armory Arts and Music Center \$7,000

Duluth Armory National Register Nomination Preparation. To hire a qualified historian to prepare a nomination for the Duluth Armory to the National Register of Historic Places. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County

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**Senate District: 07, House District: 07B**

Saint Louis County Historical Society \$6,500

Eastman Johnson Collection Storage Cabinets. To provide appropriate storage for the nationally significant ethnographic Eastman Johnson collection. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County

<b>Saint Louis County Historical Society</b>	<b>\$5,690</b>
Develop a Disaster Plan. To hire professional conservators to create a plan to respond to and recover from disasters. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>Maritime Heritage Minnesota</b>	<b>\$5,998</b>
Develop a Plan of Action to Preserve the U.S.S. Essex. To prepare a preservation plan for the U.S.S. Essex shipwreck listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Maritime Heritage Minnesota is based in Saint Paul, MN, the project is in Saint Louis County	
<b>Western Lake Superior Sanitary District</b>	<b>\$6,540</b>
Western Lake Superior Sanitary District Oral History. To record and transcribe 15 oral history interviews with people knowledgeable about the establishment of the sanitary district and subsequent pollution abatement. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>Western Lake Superior Sanitary District</b>	<b>\$5,900</b>
WLSSD History Exhibit. To fabricate and install an exhibit on the history of the sanitary district and broaden public access to the district's story. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>Lake Superior Marine Museum Association</b>	<b>\$460</b>
LSMVC Thomas Wilson Artifacts Condition Report. To assess the condition of and propose treatment for significant artifacts recovered from the Thomas Wilson shipwreck. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>Lake Superior Marine Museum Association</b>	<b>\$6,720</b>
LSMVC General Collection Survey. To professionally assess culturally significant maritime artifacts and implement a long-range plan to better care for them. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>Lake Superior Marine Museum Association</b>	<b>\$350</b>
Thomas Wilson Certificate Treatment Proposal. To hire a qualified conservator to prepare a treatment proposal for the inspection certificate of the shipwreck Thomas Wilson. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>Lake Superior Railroad Museum</b>	<b>\$45,000</b>
Missabe Car Chair Fabric Restoration. To conserve the seats, chairs and sofas in the car Missabe, an 1893 business car from the Duluth, Missabe and Northern Railroad. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>City of Duluth Community Development Division</b>	<b>\$225,000</b>
St. Louis County Jail Preservation. To rehabilitate the interior and exterior of the St. Louis County Jail, a part of the Duluth Civic Center Historic District and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County	
<b>Neighborhood Housing Services of Duluth</b>	<b>\$5,100</b>
Lincoln Park Video Project. To create a documentary on assembled historical research showing the diversity and resiliency of Lincoln Park, a West Duluth neighborhood. • Duluth, MN, Saint Louis County	

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**Senate District: 08, House District: 08A**

Cloquet Public Library **\$1,197**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history.  
• Cloquet, MN, Carlton County

Moose Lake Area Historical Society **\$7,000**

Moose Lake/Kettle River 1918 Fire Context and Survey. To develop an historic context for the 1918 Kettle River/Moose Lake Fire.  
• Moose Lake, MN, Carlton County

Moose Lake Public Library **\$2,214**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history.  
• Moose Lake, MN, Carlton County

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**Senate District: 08, House District: 08B**

Kanabec County Historical Society **\$1,043**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 36 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history.  
• Mora, MN, Kanabec County

Kanabec County Historical Society **\$432**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 16 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Mora, MN, Kanabec County

Kanabec County Historical Society **\$11,836**

Microfilm Reader/Printer/Computer. To broaden public access to primary historical records through a microfilm reader/printer and computer. • Mora, MN, Kanabec County

Audubon Center of the North Woods **\$7,000**

Schwyzer Lodge Accessibility Project. To add Americans with Disability Act (ADA) compliant access to the Schwyzer Lodge. The lodge is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Sandstone, MN, Pine County

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**Senate District: 09, House District: 09A**

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County **\$10,688**

Shelving: Not Exactly Sexy but Essential! To assist in acquiring and installing archival storage to better preserve significant evidence from the county's past. • Moorhead, MN, Clay County

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County **\$5,962**

Purchase Microform Reader/Printer/Scanner/Computer. To make primary historical records available through a new microfilm reader/printer. • Moorhead, MN, Clay County

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County \$6,618

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 126 rolls of microfilmed church records, WPA files, and newspapers to broaden public access to primary history records. • Moorhead, MN, Clay County

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County \$6,342

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Conservation Assessment/Preservation Plan. To conduct a general conservation assessment of its collections and provide a long-range plan for preservation. • Moorhead, MN, Clay County

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**Senate District: 09, House District: 09B**

Becker County Historical Society \$334

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 12 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Detroit Lakes, MN, Becker County

Becker County Historical Society \$6,418

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Cataloguing and Storage of Paper Collection. To catalog and rehouse approximately 3,500 manuscripts items. • Detroit Lakes, MN, Becker County

Taylor Township \$5,000

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National Register Nomination Preparation. To prepare a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the District #44 School in Traverse County. • Tintah, MN, Traverse County

Wilkin County Historical Society \$3,789

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 70 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Breckenridge, MN, Wilkin County

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**Senate District: 10, House District: 10A**

Otter Tail County Historical Society \$2,790

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Water Abatement Project. To address water infiltration of museum collections storage by improving exterior drainage. • Fergus Falls, MN, Otter Tail County

Otter Tail County Historical Society \$7,000

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Online Historical Records Indexing Project. To provide electronic access to multiple finding aids for the research library. • Fergus Falls, MN, Otter Tail County

Otter Tail County Historical Society \$3,559

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Phelps Mill Lightning Rods. To install lightning arrest on Phelps Mill. The Phelps Mill is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Fergus Falls, MN, Otter Tail County

City of Fergus Falls \$7,000

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Reconnaissance Survey and Inventory of One Quarter of Fergus Falls. To survey and inventory potentially historic properties in one quarter of Fergus Falls. • Fergus Falls, MN, Otter Tail County

City of Fergus Falls \$5,000

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City of Fergus Falls Heritage Tourism Brochure. To hire a qualified historian to research and assemble materials to prepare a heritage tourism brochure. • Fergus Falls, MN, Otter Tail County

Fergus Falls Public Library \$365

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 13 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Fergus Falls, MN, Otter Tail County

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**Senate District: 10, House District: 10B**

Menahga Area Historical Society \$2,073

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Menahga Area Museum Computerized Cataloging Project. To gain physical and intellectual control of 5,000 artifacts using PastPerfect Museum Software. • Menahga, MN, Wadena County

Friends of the History Museum of East Otter Tail County \$6,831

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Recording Voices from the Cold War Era. To record 20 oral history interviews with people who shaped events related to the Cold War in eastern Otter Tail County. • Perham, MN, Otter Tail County

Friends of the History Museum of East Otter Tail County \$3,800

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Evaluation of the Church of St. Stanislaus Perham. To hire a historian to evaluate the Church of St. Stanislaus for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. • Perham, MN, Otter Tail County

Friends of the History Museum of East Otter Tail County \$6,900

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Microfilm Scanner System. To make primary historical records accessible through a new microfilm reader/printer. • Perham, MN, Otter Tail County

Perham Area Public Library \$789

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 33 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Perham, MN, Otter Tail County

New York Mills Public Library \$850

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 34 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • New York Mills, MN, Otter Tail County

Wadena County Historical Society \$275

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Verndale Newspaper Rehousing Project. To make local history publicly accessible by organizing and rehousing Verndale newspapers. • Wadena, MN, Wadena County

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**Senate District: 11, House District: 11A**

Stevens County Historical Society \$75,000

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Consolidated Collections through Condensed Storage. To assist in acquiring and installing compact storage to better preserve significant evidence from the county's past. • Morris, MN, Stevens County



**Morris Public Library** **\$652**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 25 standard Minnesota history book titles to a public library and broaden access to Minnesota history. • Morris, MN, Stevens County

**Regents of the University of Minnesota for Morris Campus** **\$6,269**

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Walden Township Historical Records Survey. To compile a comprehensive guide to historic resources that document Walden Township history. • The Regents are in Morris, MN, the project is in Pope County

**Thorson Memorial Library** **\$680**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 32 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Elbow Lake, MN, Grant County

**Grant County** **\$7,000**

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Grant County Courthouse Structural Assessment. To hire qualified professionals to write a structural assessment of the Grant County Courthouse. The Courthouse is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Elbow Lake, MN, Grant County

**Douglas County Historical Society** **\$6,800**

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Douglas County Greatest Generation Oral History. To broaden access to the Greatest Generation oral history project through interpretive performances demonstrating life in Douglas County during the Depression, the War and the Boom. • Alexandria, MN, Douglas County

**Douglas County Historical Society** **\$5,500**

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General Preservation Survey & Long-Range Conservation. To hire a professional paper conservator to assess a historical textile collection in preparation of a long-range preservation plan. • Alexandria, MN, Douglas County

**Douglas County Library** **\$537**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 23 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Alexandria, MN, Douglas County

**Senate District: 11, House District: 11B**

**City of Hewitt** **\$156,369**

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Hewitt Public School: Roof and Window Repair. To restore the roof and abate water infiltration to the Hewitt Public School, home to the Hewitt Historical Society. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Hewitt, MN, Todd County

**City of Hewitt** **\$6,950**

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HVAC Evaluation. To hire a professional heating, ventilation and air conditioning engineer to evaluate the Hewitt School and make recommendations for meeting climate standards. The Hewitt School is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Hewitt, MN, Todd County

**Staples Historical Society** **\$49,400**

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Depot: Restore Windows and Doors. To complete restoration on all windows and North and South lobby doors on the Northern Pacific Railroad Depot. The Depot is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Staples, MN, Todd County

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**Senate District: 12, House District: 12A**

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**Cuyuna Iron Range Heritage Network** **\$18,200**

Soo Line Depot Building Improvements. To replace the roof on the Soo Line Depot Museum. The Depot is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Crosby, MN, Crow Wing County

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**Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library** **\$1,693**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 28 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Crosby, MN, Crow Wing County

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**Jessie F. Hallett Memorial Library** **\$962**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 30 standard Minnesota history book titles to a public library and broaden access to Minnesota history. • Crosby, MN, Crow Wing County

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**Cuyuna Iron Range Heritage Network** **\$3,420**

Lake Roosevelt Artifact Exhibit. To make museum-quality copies of fragile archaeological artifacts for a traveling exhibit which will broaden public access to pre-settlement history. • Crosby, MN, Crow Wing County

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**Senate District: 12, House District: 12B**

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**Minnesota Military Museum** **\$7,000**

Minnesota and the Civil War Exhibit Mannequins. To costume and equip seven mannequin figures for a major exhibit commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Civil War and the U.S.-Dakota War of 1862. • Little Falls, MN, Morrison County

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**Morrison County Historical Society** **\$46,106**

Improvement of Weyerhaeuser Museum Environment. To upgrade the HVAC system and insulation at The Charles A. Weyerhaeuser Memorial Museum in order to meet both museum and historic preservation standards. • Little Falls, MN, Morrison County

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**Friends of Linden Hill, Inc.** **\$5,976**

General Collections Survey. To conduct a general conservation assessment of its collections and provide a long-range plan for preservation. • Little Falls, MN, Morrison County

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**Senate District: 13, House District: 13A**

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**Pope County Historical Society** **\$7,000**

Rehouse Helbing Collection. To create inert museum storage for the ethnographically and historically significant Helbing Collection of American Indian Arts and Crafts as recommended in a museum assessment. • Glenwood MN, Pope County

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**Ann Bickle House** **\$6,990**

Preservation of the Ann Bickle Heritage House. To preserve the original stucco and foundation of the Ann Bickle House. The House is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Glenwood, MN, Pope County

**Pope County Historical Society** **\$6,750**

Evaluation of Building Mechanical System (HVAC). To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate the current system in order to better control the Pope County Museum environment. • Glenwood MN, Pope County

**Terrace Mill Foundation** **\$25,088**

Terrace Mill North Wall Stabilization Project. To brace interior walls and foundation, remove and replace steps and install exterior drainage system on the Terrace Mill. The Mill is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Terrace, MN, Pope County

**Chippewa Falls Township** **\$5,682**

Town hall Roof and Window Repair. To restore the roof and windows of the Chippewa Falls Town Hall. The Town Hall is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Terrace, MN, Pope County

**City of Atwater** **\$65,485**

Hotel Atwater: Rehabilitation. To provide structural repair and fire protection to the Hotel Atwater for use as a municipal building. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Atwater, MN, Kandiyohi County

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**Senate District: 13, House District: 13B**

**Prairie Country Resource Conservation & Development Council** **\$7,000**

Glacial Ridge Trail Interpretive Signage. To fabricate and install 26 interpretive markers along portions of Minnesota Highways 104, 55, 28 and 29. • Willmar, MN, Kandiyohi County

**Friends of the Willmar Public Library** **\$19,500**

Researching the Past with Multimedia Upgrades. To broaden public access to primary historical records through a digital reader/printer and additional microfilm rolls to augment the current collection. • Willmar, MN, Kandiyohi County

**Kandiyohi County Historical Society** **\$58,034**

Historic Sites Marker Replacement. To broaden public access to Kandiyohi County history through a marker system and accompanying guide brochure. • Willmar MN, Kandiyohi County

**Willmar Design Center** **\$6,500**

Lakeland Hotel National Register Nomination. To prepare a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Lakeland Hotel. • Willmar, MN, Kandiyohi County

**The Trust for Public Land** **\$9,000**

Reid Woods Historic Landscape Preservation Planning. To conduct a cultural resources assessment of a rural landscape containing a rare old growth elm forest. • Kandiyohi County

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**Senate District: 14, House District: 14A**

**Sisters of the Order of Saint Benedict** **\$3,793**

Anishinabeg Bandolier Restoration. To repair, clean and create storage mounts for three significant Ojibwe bandolier bags. • Saint Joseph, MN, Stearns County

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**Senate District: 14, House District: 14B****Cold Spring Area Historical Society****\$1,107**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history.  
• Cold Spring, MN, Stearns County

**Haehn Museum****\$4,818**

Conservation of Two Drawings. To conserve two pencil/charcoal drawings by influential early 20th-century artist Justina Knapp, Order of Saint Benedict. • Saint Joseph, MN, Stearns County

**College of Saint Benedict****\$6,962**

Women Students at a Women's College. To document in 30 oral history interviews the history of this all-women's college in preparation for the college's sesquicentennial. • St. Joseph, MN, Stearns County

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**Senate District: 15, House District: 15A****Stearns History Museum****\$4,610**

Assessing Stearns History Museum's HVAC System. To provide an engineering assessment of the museum's 1983 environmental systems.  
• Saint Cloud, MN, Stearns County

**Stearns History Museum****\$6,000**

KMC Control System Replacement. To update an environmental control system, that has surpassed its life-expectancy, in order to maintain a proper museum environment. • Saint Cloud, MN, Stearns County

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**Senate District: 15, House District: 15B****City of St. Cloud****\$7,000**

River Walk Self-Guided Audio Tour. To hire a consultant to complete a publicly available, digital-audio tour of the city's historically significant Mississippi River built environment, based on recommendations in a community education and marketing plan.  
• Saint Cloud, MN, Stearns County

**City of St. Cloud****\$4,700**

"Going Downtown" History Hunt Event. To introduce summer students to local history through historic resources in the built environment. • Saint Cloud, MN, Stearns County

**St. Cloud State University****\$5,562**

Digitization of Normalia. To digitize and make accessible the Normalia, St. Cloud State student newspaper from 1893 through 1904.  
• Saint Cloud, MN, Stearns County

**St. Cloud State University****\$6,247**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To acquire 114 rolls of microfilmed newspapers for the University's research library.  
• Saint Cloud, MN, Stearns County

Great River Regional Library \$1,301

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 57 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history.  
• Saint Cloud, MN, Stearns County

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**Senate District: 16, House District: 16A**

City of Onamia \$6,995

Historic Structures Report for Onamia Soo Line Depot. To prepare a historic structures report for the Soo Line Depot which now serves as a public library. • Onamia, MN, Mille Lacs County

City of Onamia \$16,040

Onamia Municipal Hall: Historic Structures Report. To prepare a historic structures report to provide restoration and management goals for the Onamia Municipal Hall. The Hall is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Onamia, MN, Mille Lacs County

Mille Lacs County Historical Society \$660

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 22 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Princeton, MN, Mille Lacs County

Mille Lacs County Historical Society \$3,400

“Some Places in Princeton” Watercolors by Dr. A.E. Smith. To create and install an exhibit on the history of Princeton through historic art. • Princeton, MN, Mille Lacs County

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**Senate District: 16, House District: 16B**

Sherburne County Historical Society \$22,400

Collections Storage Upgrade: Stationary Shelving. To assist in acquiring and installing large functional object storage to better preserve significant historical evidence from the county’s past. • Becker, MN, Sherburne County

Sherburne County Historical Society \$2,650

Archive Storage Upgrade. To improve collections care and management through proper storage. • Becker, MN, Sherburne County

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**Senate District: 17, House District: 17A**

Isanti County Historical Society \$7,000

Main Street and More, Isanti County. To document in 20 oral history interviews the history of the business community experience in four cities in Isanti County. • Cambridge, MN, Isanti County

Isanti County Historical Society \$6,500

Swedish Mission Church of South Maple Ridge: Condition Assessment Report. To hire historic preservation professionals to conduct a condition assessment of the Swedish Mission Church. The Church is listed in the National Register of Historic Places.  
• Cambridge, MN, Isanti County

**Chisago County Historical Society** **\$7,000**

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Gustaf Anderson House: Climate Control Upgrades. To upgrade museum environmental controls in the 1879 Gustaf Anderson House. The House is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Lindstrom, MN, Chisago County

**City of Taylors Falls** **\$6,750**

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Historic Downtown Audio-Visual Tour. To broaden public access through podcasts describing the historical significance of Taylors Falls. • Taylors Falls, MN, Chisago County

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**Senate District: 18, House District: 18A**

**McLeod County Historical Society** **\$1,701**

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 63 rolls of microfilmed primary historical records to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Hutchinson, MN, McLeod County

**McLeod County Historical Society** **\$50,707**

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Museum Gallery Lighting System Upgrade. To upgrade lighting in the MCHS museum gallery to reduce UV damage, improve color rendering and eliminate fire hazards. • Hutchinson, MN, McLeod County

**Historic Hutchinson** **\$3,500**

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National Register Evaluation for Harrington Merrill House. To hire a historian to evaluate the Harrington Merrill House for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. • Hutchinson, MN, McLeod County

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**Senate District: 18, House District: 18B**

**Dassel Area Historical Society** **\$469**

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 17 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Dassel, MN, Meeker County

**Cokato Historical Society** **\$4,494**

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Akerlund Studio Glass Plate Scanning Project. To create digital user copies of 817, 8"x10" glassplate negatives from the Gust Akerlund Photography Studio Collection for broader public access. • Cokato, MN, Wright County

**Cokato Historical Society** **\$500**

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Smith Lake Townsite & Cemetery Marker Project. To provide public access to the story of Smith Lake, a former settlement in Middleville Township. • Cokato, MN, Wright County

**Cokato Historical Society** **\$7,000**

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Microfilm Reader/Printer. To make primary historical records accessible through a new microfilm reader/printer. • Cokato, MN, Wright County

**Meeker County Historical Society** **\$1,197**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Litchfield, MN, Meeker County

**Meeker County Historical Society** **\$2,982**

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Securing Our History. To update the security system at the Litchfield G.A.R. Hall and the Meeker County Historical Society Museum. • Litchfield, MN, Meeker County

**Meeker County Historical Society** **\$6,995**

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MCHS Inventory: Phase I. To gain intellectual and physical control over all objects in the collections and to provide better access to them. • Litchfield, MN, Meeker County

**Meeker County Historical Society** **\$7,000**

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MCHA Inventory: Phase 2. To gain intellectual and physical control of 8,000 artifacts. • Litchfield, MN, Meeker County

**City of Litchfield** **\$7,000**

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Past to Present . . . Experience Our History. To further public access to the Litchfield Commercial Historic District. The District is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Litchfield, MN, Meeker County

**Litchfield Public Library** **\$7,000**

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Litchfield Reader-Printer Grant. To enable public access to primary historical records through a new microfilm reader/printer. • Litchfield, MN, Meeker County

**Greater Litchfield Opera House Association, Inc.** **\$115,000**

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Litchfield Opera House: Secure Building Envelope. To complete exterior masonry preservation and rebuild a missing entrance column of the Litchfield Opera House. The Opera House is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Litchfield, MN, Meeker County

**Greater Litchfield Opera House Association, Inc.** **\$7,000**

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Interior Planning Documents. To hire a qualified historical architect to prepare planning documents for historic preservation projects. • Litchfield, MN, Meeker County

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**Senate District: 19, House District: 19A**

**City of Buffalo** **\$4,720**

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Historic Context Study for the City of Buffalo. To hire a qualified historian to research and prepare a historic context study of the City of Buffalo. • Buffalo, MN, Wright County

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**Senate District: 19, House District: 19B**

**Rockford Area Historical Society** **\$18,880**

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Ames-Florida House: Roof Repair and Replacement. To repair the roof of the Ames-Florida House, home to the Rockford Area Historical Society and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Rockford, MN, Hennepin County

**City of Delano** **\$42,140**

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Delano Village Hall: First Floor Restoration. To remove brick infill and restore exterior doors of the Delano Village Hall. The Hall is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Delano, MN, Wright County

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**Senate District: 20, House District: 20A**

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**Upper MN Valley Regional Development Commission** **\$6,980**

U.S.-Dakota War of 1862 Interpretive Planning. To determine what information about the U.S.-Dakota War of 1862 is currently presented on markers and to propose further stories, perspectives and voices in preparation for the war's sesquicentennial. • Appleton, MN, Swift County

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**Upper MN Valley Regional Development Commission** **\$37,565**

U.S.-Dakota War of 1862 Interpretation. To research, design and fabricate 10 interpretive panels at six sites along the Minnesota River Valley for better interpretation of the U.S.-Dakota War of 1862. • Appleton, MN, Swift County

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**Preserve Appleton Heritage Inc.** **\$6,000**

Nominate Gethsemane Episcopal Church. To prepare a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Gethsemane Episcopal Church in Appleton. • Appleton, MN, Swift County

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**Swift County Historical Society** **\$4,890**

Farming Industry, Phase I: Oral History. To document in 18 oral history interviews the story of farming in Swift County from 1950 through 2000. • Benson, MN, Swift County

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**Danebod Lutheran Church and Folk School** **\$3,551**

Danebod Smidt Drawing. To conserve and preserve the original drawing of the Danebod Folk School. • Tyler, MN, Lincoln County

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**Danebod Lutheran Church and Folk School** **\$6,865**

Danebod Smidt Drawing. To professionally conserve a significant work of art by Jes Smidt documenting the connection of Danish immigrants in Minnesota to their home country. • Tyler, MN, Lincoln County

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**Big Stone County Historical Society** **\$6,367**

Preserve Historic Resources. To improve storage of historic objects held in public trust. • Ortonville, MN, Big Stone County

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**Lac qui Parle County Historical Society** **\$11,166**

Microfilm Reader/Printer/Computer. To broaden public access to primary historical records through a microfilm reader/printer. • Madison, MN, Lac qui Parle County

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**Lac qui Parle County Historical Society** **\$6,960**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 255 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Madison, MN, Lac qui Parle County

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**Lac qui Parle County Historical Society** **\$6,525**

Video Camera Security System. To improve security at the county historical society. • Madison, MN, Lac qui Parle County

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**Lac qui Parle County Historical Society** **\$1,138**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Madison, MN, Lac qui Parle County



Lac qui Parle County Historical Society \$2,984  
Inventory Lac qui Parle County Museum. To begin to gain intellectual and physical control over museum collections that document Lac qui Parle county history. • Madison, MN, Lac qui Parle County

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**Senate District: 20, House District: 20B**

Sacred Heart Area Historical Society \$5,019  
Water & Bat Abatement. To determine necessary steps to abate water and pest infiltration to better preserve artifact collections.  
• Sacred Heart, MN, Renville County

Sacred Heart Area Historical Society \$2,474  
Shelving and Conservation Supplies. To preserve and make accessible records and artifacts documenting the Sacred Heart High School.  
• Sacred Heart, MN, Renville County

St. Cornelia's Church/Bishop Whipple Mission \$7,000  
Proposal for Architectural and Engineering Services for St. Cornelia's Church. To analyze the structure and materials of St. Cornelia's Church in preparation for further preservation projects. St. Cornelia's Church is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Morton, MN, Renville County

Renville County Historical Society \$4,239  
Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 157 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Morton, MN, Renville County

Renville County Historical Society \$7,000  
Purchase of Microfilm Reader/Scanner. To make primary records accessible through a new microfilm reader/printer. • Morton, MN, Renville County

Dakota Wicohan \$4,300  
Dakota Language Project. To catalog 23 hours of recorded Dakota language from elders who speak Dakota as a first language.  
• Morton, MN, Renville County

Dakota Wicohan \$50,000  
Dakota Language Oral History Project. To conduct oral history interviews with the few remaining Dakota-as-a-first-language speakers. For more on this project, see page 14. • Granite Falls, MN, Yellow Medicine County

Upper Sioux Community \$7,000  
Tribal Historic Preservation Office Application Assistance. To hire a qualified professional to conduct public input meetings in preparation for Tribal Historic Preservation Office status. • Granite Falls, MN, Yellow Medicine County

Yellow Medicine County Historical Society \$4,872  
Townships and Communities of Yellow Medicine County. To produce an exhibit on the history of the County's townships. • Granite Falls, MN, Yellow Medicine County

**Yellow Medicine County Historical Society** **\$1,775**

Genealogy Lab Project. To provide access to family history in Yellow Medicine County. • Granite Falls, MN, Yellow Medicine County

**Clean Up The River Environment** **\$7,000**

Photographic History of Montevideo, Minnesota. To publish a book on the historical development of the built environment of Montevideo. • Montevideo, MN, Chippewa County

**Minnesota's Machinery Museum** **\$5,575**

Museum Security System. To improve the organization's ability to secure collections held in the public trust. • Hanley Falls, MN, Yellow Medicine County

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**Senate District: 21, House District: 21A**

**Prairieland Genealogical Society** **\$7,000**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 275 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Marshall, MN, Lyon County

**Marshall-Lyon County Library** **\$608**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 27 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Marshall, MN, Lyon County

**Redwood Falls Public Library** **\$3,041**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 122 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Redwood Falls, MN, Redwood County

**Redwood Falls Public Library** **\$3,540**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 140 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Redwood Falls, MN, Redwood County

**City of Redwood Falls** **\$6,885**

Guide to Historic Sites around Redwood Falls. To enhance public access to historic resources of the built environment of Redwood Falls through a brochure with web-based components. • Redwood Falls, MN, Redwood County

**City of Belview** **\$6,000**

Architect Services Odeon Renovation. To hire a qualified historical architect to prepare drawings for additional historic preservation work on the Odeon Theatre. Odeon Theatre is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Belview, MN, Redwood County

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**Senate District: 21, House District: 21B**

**New Ulm Public Library** **\$6,966**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 258 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • New Ulm, MN, Brown County

<b>Wanda Gag House Association</b>	<b>\$6,757</b>
Flavia Gag Art Restoration. To restore and properly exhibit three original mid-20th century works of art by Flavia Gag, the sister of Wanda Gag. • New Ulm, MN, Brown County	
<b>Brown County Historical Society</b>	<b>\$6,939</b>
Brown County Collections Security Camera System. To install eight digital cameras to provide proper security for the public and collections while increasing customer service efficiency among the limited number of staff and volunteers. • New Ulm, MN, Brown County	
<b>Brown County Historical Society</b>	<b>\$49,513</b>
Brown County Legacy Archives Project. To provide storage that meets museum standards through purchase of compressible shelving for the Brown County Historical Society's family research files and art collections storage. • New Ulm, MN, Brown County	
<b>New Ulm Turnverein</b>	<b>\$6,995</b>
Turner Hall: Accessibility Plan. To hire an architect to develop plans for improved access and increased collections storage that meet the Secretary of the Interior's standards. • New Ulm, MN, Brown County	
<b>New Ulm Turnverein</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>
Turner Hall: Accessibility. To improve public access with an elevator for Turner Hall. The Hall is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • New Ulm, MN, Brown County	
<b>Lamberton Public Library</b>	<b>\$1,107</b>
Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history titles to broaden public accessibility. • Lamberton, MN, Redwood County	
<b>Sleepy Eye Area Foundation</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>
Application for National Register Nomination: Berg Hotel. To hire a professional historian to complete research and documentation of the 1899 Berg Hotel, in preparation for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. • Sleepy Eye, MN, Brown County	
<b>Sleepy Eye Area Historical Society</b>	<b>\$6,156</b>
PastPerfect Winter Project. To gain intellectual and physical control through an inventory using PastPerfect Museum Software. • Sleepy Eye, MN, Brown County	
<b>Sleepy Eye Area Foundation</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>
Berg Hotel Historic Structure Report. To hire an architect to write a historic structure report to guide future restoration of the Berg Hotel. • Sleepy Eye, MN, Brown County	
<b>Watonwan County Historical Society</b>	<b>\$1,138</b>
Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Madelia, MN, Watonwan County	
<b>Laura Ingalls Wilder Museum &amp; Tourist Center</b>	<b>\$3,000</b>
Hands-On History. To fabricate and install a historical exhibit on the context of the Walnut Grove community at the time of Laura Ingalls Wilder's residency. • Walnut Grove, MN, Redwood County	

City of Springfield \$3,500

Historic Context Study and Survey of Springfield. To hire a qualified historian to conduct a historic context study for the City of Springfield. • Springfield, MN, Brown County

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**Senate District: 22, House District: 22A**

City of Luverne \$7,000

Palace Theater: Palace Theatre Restoration Phase III (HVAC). To study and prepare preliminary design work for replacement of the existing heating and cooling system in the 1915 Historic Palace Theatre. The Palace Theatre is listed in the National Registrar of Historic Places. • Luverne, MN, Rock County

Murray County Historical Society \$3,188

Life in Lake Sarah Township: an Oral History Project. To document in six oral history interviews the growth of Lake Sarah Township population amid regional population loss. • Slayton, MN, Murray County

Murray County Historical Society \$3,440

Lake Sarah Township: An Oral History Project II. To document in four oral history interviews, the history of Lake Sarah Township. • Slayton, MN, Murray County

Pipestone County Historical Society \$3,600

Collections Management Upgrade. To gain intellectual and physical control over documentary collections through the addition of PastPerfect Museum Software. • Pipestone, MN, Pipestone County

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**Senate District: 22, House District: 22B**

Lake Commission, City of Mountain Lake \$1,300

Interpretive Program: Mountain Lake and the WPA. To install a historic marker documenting the WPA project to re-create Mountain Lake. • Mountain Lake, MN, Cottonwood County

Heritage Village Museum \$4,000

Mennonite Settlement. To create an orientation to Mennonite history in Mountain Lake and Minnesota. • Mountain Lake, MN, Cottonwood County

Cottonwood County Historical Society \$7,000

Upgrading the Storage Area HVAC. To control the environment of museum storage. • Windom, MN, Cottonwood County

Jackson County Library \$474

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 14 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Jackson, MN, Jackson County

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**Senate District: 23, House District: 23A**

City of Gaylord/Parks and Recreation Board **\$3,000**

Nomination for National Register/Gaylord City Park. To hire a professional historian to complete research and documentation of five park buildings, 1916-1945, in preparation for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. • Gaylord, MN, Sibley County

Nicollet County Historical Society **\$750**

Tales of the Territory Exhibit Enhancement Project. To augment an award-winning exhibit, developed by the Minnesota History Center, with direct quotes from Dakota people and deepen public perspective on the Treaty of Traverse des Sioux. • Saint Peter, MN, Nicollet County

Nicollet County Historical Society **\$7,000**

Interpretive Plan for E. St. Julien Cox House. To hire professional historians to develop and implement an interpretive plan for the E. St. Julien Cox House. The Cox House is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Saint Peter, MN, Nicollet County

Nicollet County Historical Society **\$6,911**

NCHS Archival Collections Storage Project, Phase 2. To properly store approximately 180 cubic feet of historic records documenting Nicollet County history. • Saint Peter, MN, Nicollet County

Nicollet County Environmental Services Department **\$1,567**

Nicollet County Historic Preservation Ordinance. To draft a countywide historic preservation ordinance for Nicollet County. • Saint Peter, MN, Nicollet County

Gustavus Adolphus College **\$7,000**

Archival Storage and Shelving. To improve storage of 961 lineal feet of college archives through proper housing and shelving. • Saint Peter, MN, Nicollet County

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**Senate District: 23, House District: 23B**

Minnesota State University, Mankato: Library Services **\$2,691**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 83 rolls of microfilmed primary records to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Mankato, MN, Blue Earth County

Minnesota State University, Mankato: Library Services **\$6,498**

MSU Digitization of Student/Mankatonian Magazine. To digitize and make accessible student periodicals from Mankato State Normal School from 1888 through 1913. • Mankato, MN, Blue Earth County

Blue Earth County Historical Society **\$3,837**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 140 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Mankato, MN, Blue Earth County

City of Mankato **\$7,000**

Historic Survey of 12 Properties for Local Designation. To survey historic properties in the Mankato City Center area, broadening access to local history. • Mankato, MN, Blue Earth County

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**Senate District: 24, House District: 24A**

Truman Historical Association **\$1,800**

Safe Accessibility to Truman Museum. To improve public safety in accessing the Truman History Museum. • Truman, MN, Martin County

Truman Historical Association **\$1,415**

Boynton Ranch Historical Marker. To provide public access to the story of the Carlos Boynton Land Company Ranch through an interpretive marker. • Truman, MN, Martin County

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**Senate District: 24, House District: 24B**

Amboy Area Community Club **\$3,000**

Dodd Ford Bridge Engineering Opinion. To hire a professional consultant to examine costs and methods to restore and preserve the 1901 Dodd Ford Bridge. • Amboy, MN, Blue Earth County

Blue Earth County **\$110,000**

Dodd Ford Bridge Pre-development Design. To obtain a professional engineering design and development plan for the Dodd Ford Bridge. The Dodd Ford Bridge is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Mankato, MN, Blue Earth County

Rapidan Heritage Society **\$1,655**

Hydroelectric Dam Display. To research and produce a small traveling exhibit about the construction of the hydroelectric Rapidan Dam in 1910. • Mankato, MN, Blue Earth County

City of Minnesota Lake **\$6,999**

Peter Kremer House Gutter Replacement. To abate water damage to preserve the Peter Kremer House. The Kremer House is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Minnesota Lake, MN, Faribault County

City of Minnesota Lake **\$5,004**

Storage Boxes and Shelves. To rehouse and properly store museum collections that document the history of Minnesota Lake. • Minnesota Lake, MN, Faribault County

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**Senate District: 25, House District: 25A**

Joseph R. Brown Heritage Center **\$5,060**

Minnesota's Heritage: Back to the Sources, Phase I. To assist in creating the initial issue of a scholarly journal, "Minnesota's Heritage." • Henderson, MN, Sibley County

City of New Prague **\$900**

Southside Park and Yackly Cabin Park Historical Markers. To create and install two historical markers, providing better public access to local historic resources. • New Prague, MN, Scott County

**Le Sueur Public Library** **\$1,962**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 35 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access at four public libraries in Le Sueur County. • Le Sueur, MN, Le Sueur County

**Le Sueur County Historical Society** **\$5,500**

HVAC Evaluation. To hire a qualified HVAC engineer to prepare planning documents for a future project to improve environmental conditions for the Elysian School. The Elysian School is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Elysian, MN, Le Sueur County

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**Senate District: 25, House District: 25B**

**Northfield Public Library** **\$7,000**

A Centennial History of the Northfield Carnegie Library. To produce and distribute a booklet on the history and significance of the Northfield Carnegie Library. • Northfield, MN, Rice County

**Northfield Historical Society** **\$200,642**

Scriver Building: Accessibility Project. To provide full ADA-compliant access to the Scriver Building with an elevator and grade access entrance. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Northfield, MN, Rice County

**City of Belle Plaine** **\$72,605**

Former Episcopal Church of the Transfiguration: Foundation Restoration. To stabilize the structure through foundation and exterior repairs. The church is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Belle Plaine, MN, Scott County

**Rice County Historical Society** **\$10,000**

Veblen Farmstead: Historic Structure Report. To prepare a historic structures report for the Thorstein Veblen Farmstead, a National Historic Landmark. • Faribault, MN, Rice County

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**Senate District: 26, House District: 26A**

**Steele County Historical Society** **\$1,132**

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 43 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Owatonna, MN, Steele County

**Minnesota State Public School Orphanage Museum, Inc.** **\$6,944**

Outdoor Audio Tour Expansion. To enhance an audio tour of the Minnesota State Public School for Dependent and Neglected Children with two additional audio stations. The School is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Owatonna, MN, Steele County

**City of Waseca** **\$4,000**

Evaluate Trowbridge Park Bandshell. To have the Trowbridge Park Bandshell and Park evaluated for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. • Waseca, MN, Waseca County

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**Senate District: 26, House District: 26B**

Rice County Historical Society \$4,431

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Rice County Historical Society's Collections Care: Quilts and Women's Clothing. To preserve historically significant quilt and women's clothing collections for future generations. • Faribault, MN, Rice County

Rice County Historical Society \$847

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 29 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Faribault, MN, Rice County

City of Faribault \$6,400

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Historic Walking Tour and Brochure Update. To augment access to the Faribault Commercial Historic District through 14 new podcasts made available on the city's web site and based on the walking tour brochure. • Faribault, MN, Rice County

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**Senate District: 27, House District: 27A**

Freeborn County Historical Society \$6,954

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 277 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Albert Lea, MN, Freeborn County

Freeborn County Historical Society \$7,000

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To acquire 133 rolls of microfilmed newspapers for the Society's research library. • Albert Lea, MN, Freeborn County

Freeborn County \$10,500

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Lodge Zare Zapadu No. 44: Brick Hall Tuck Pointing and Repair. To repoint mortar joints, repair/replace bricks and inspect the south wall on Lodge Zare Zapadu #44. The Lodge is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Albert Lea, MN, Freeborn County

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**Senate District: 27, House District: 27B**

Mower County Historical Society \$1,518

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Mower County Township Records Microfilming Project. To preserve and make accessible records of individual townships within Mower County from the earliest date possible through 2008. • Austin, MN, Mower County

Mower County Historical Society \$43,280

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Mower County Historical Society Collections Inventory. To gain intellectual control of the collections by conducting an initial inventory. • Austin, MN, Mower County



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**Senate District: 28, House District: 28A**

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**Red Wing Heritage Preservation Commission** **\$1,000**

Red Wing Historic Walking Tour Update/Reprinting. To revise and reprint the popular 1989 “Footsteps through Historic Red Wing” booklet. • Red Wing, MN, Goodhue County

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**Goodhue County Historical Society** **\$3,325**

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 60 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • Red Wing, MN, Goodhue County

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**City of Red Wing** **\$2,000**

Oakwood Cemetery National Register Nomination Form. To hire a historian to prepare a nomination of Oakwood Cemetery for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. • Red Wing, MN, Goodhue County

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**Wabasha County Historical Society** **\$7,000**

Reads Landing Overlook Historic Structures Report. To hire a qualified professional to prepare a historic structure report that would guide future restoration of the Reads Landing Overlook. The Read Landing Overlook is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Lake City, MN, Wabasha County

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**Wabasha County Historical Society** **\$5,500**

Conservation Assessment/Preservation Plan. To conduct a general conservation assessment of the Society’s collections and provide a long-range plan for preservation. • Lake City, MN, Wabasha County

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**City of Wabasha** **\$7,000**

Hurd House/Anderson Hotel Reuse Study. To conduct and prepare a reuse study of the Hurd House/Anderson Hotel listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Wabasha, MN, Wabasha County

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**Wabasha Public Library** **\$6,304**

Conservation Assessment/Preservation Plan. To provide a general conservation assessment of and long-range plan for the preservation of the library’s local history collections. • Wabasha, MN, Wabasha County

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**Wabasha Public Library** **\$5,556**

1851 on the River Program. To hire a qualified historian to research and prepare an interpretive program that will enable the public to explore the river history of Wabasha. • Wabasha, MN, Wabasha County

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**Grace Memorial Episcopal Church** **\$3,466**

Update Electrical System. To preserve Grace Memorial Episcopal Church through improved electrical service. The Church is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Wabasha, MN, Wabasha County

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**Senate District: 28, House District: 28B**

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**Zumbrota Area Historical Society****\$2,290**

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Microfilm Scanner/Printer System Acquisition. To make primary historical records available through a new microfilm reader/printer. • Zumbrota, MN, Goodhue County

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**Senate District: 29, House District: 29A**

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**Dodge County Historical Society****\$7,000**

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Mantorville Historic District: St. John's Episcopal Church Entrance. To restore the front steps and add accessibility for people who are disabled to St. John's Episcopal Church. The Church is listed in the National Register of Historic Places and is the current home of the Dodge County Historical Society. • Mantorville, MN, Dodge County

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**Dodge County Historical Society****\$5,935**

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Conservation Assessment/Preservation Plan. To conduct a general conservation assessment of the Society's collections and provide a long-range plan for preservation. • Mantorville, MN, Dodge County

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**Rochester Somali Sports and Youth Organization****\$7,000**

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Heritage and Cultural Growth from Somali Sports in Minnesota Oral History. To document in 20 oral history interviews the history of the Somali experience in Rochester. • Rochester, MN, Olmsted County

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**Senate District: 30, House District: 30A**

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**Olmsted County****\$6,900**

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Biermann House Historic Structure Report. To hire a professional historian to prepare a historic structure report that will guide future preservation projects. • Rochester, MN, Olmsted County

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**Olmsted County Historical Society****\$6,999**

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Web site Development. To broaden and improve public experience as well as increase accessibility to Olmsted County history through a web site. • Rochester, MN, Olmsted County

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**Olmsted County Historical Society****\$3,694**

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Film Housing Project. To preserve and stabilize 1,042 historic films for use in the Society's research library. • Rochester, MN, Olmsted County

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**Olmsted County Historical Society****\$6,996**

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Physical Landscapes: A Reflection of Home Exhibit. To create an exhibit to help the public explore the historical relationship of the built environment to the natural environment. • Rochester, MN, Olmsted County

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**City of Rochester****\$6,500**

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Evaluation of Building Mechanical System (HVAC). To hire a professional heating, ventilation and air conditioning engineer to evaluate the Henry S. Plummer House and make recommendations for meeting climate standards. The Plummer House is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Rochester, MN, Olmsted County

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**Senate District: 31, House District: 31A**

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**Winona County Historical Society****\$6,953**

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Winona County Historical Society Spray Room Installation. To improve the safety and the environment for historic artifacts by separating an exhibit fabrication area in the Society's building. • Winona, MN, Winona County

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**Pickwick Mill Board, Inc.****\$29,130**

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Pickwick Mill: Interior Stone Wall Repair. To tuck-point three of six floors and repair one wall of the Pickwick Mill. The mill is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Winona, MN, Winona County

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**Winona State Foundation****\$6,950**

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Fancy Work Manuscript. To prepare through final edit, a manuscript on Dakota women for publication. • Winona, MN, Winona County

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**Winona State Foundation****\$6,805**

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Phase 1: Historical Mobile Walking Tour. To augment a National Endowment for the Humanities exhibit at the Winona County Museum with mobile electronic access to the historic built environment. • Winona, MN, Winona County

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**City of Winona****\$7,000**

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Winona Elementary School Nomination. To hire a qualified historian to prepare up to four nominations of neighborhood schools for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. • Winona, MN, Winona County

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**Senate District: 31, House District: 31B**

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**Chatfield Economic Development Authority****\$6,750**

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Potter Center for the Arts As-Built Drawings. To obtain an assessment of the facility in preparation for an expected rehabilitation. • Chatfield, MN, Fillmore County

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**Fillmore County Historical Society****\$25,940**

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ADA-Compliant Wheelchair Lift Project. To broaden public access through an ADA-compliant wheelchair lift in the Fillmore County History Center. • Fountain, MN, Fillmore County

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**Preston Historical Society****\$20,000**

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Milwaukee Elevator: Reconstruction/Interpretation Project. To prepare a preservation plan to guide the Preston Historical Society in reconstructing the Milwaukee Elevator and its outbuildings. • Preston, MN, Fillmore County

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**Houston County Historical Society****\$708**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 29 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Caledonia, MN, Houston County

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**City of Hokah****\$6,400**

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Hokah Heritage Signs. To enable public access through historical markers documenting the history of the City of Hokah. • Hokah, MN, Houston County

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**Senate District: 32, House District: 32A**

Hassan Area Historical Society

**\$3,914**

Crow-Hassan Reserve Heritage Tour. To broaden public access to historic resources through a walking and horseback riding tour of Crow-Hassan Reserve Regional Park. • Rogers, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 33, House District: 33A**

St. Bonifacius Historical Society

**\$14,000**

St. Bonifacius Nike-Hercules Missile Project. To provide public access to Cold War-era history through interpretation of a Nike-Hercules Missile. • Saint Bonifacius, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 33, House District: 33B**

Wayzata Historical Society

**\$7,000**

Section Foreman's House National Register. To hire a qualified historian to evaluate the Section Foreman's House for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. • Wayzata, MN, Hennepin County

Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Historical Society

**\$5,048**

ELMHS Digital Image Viewing Project. To add 500 digital images of artifacts into its PastPerfect Museum Software collections management system. • Excelsior, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 34, House District: 34A**

Carver County Historical Society

**\$5,800**

Veterans Collection Storage Area Furnishings. To improve security and storage for significant military artifacts. • Waconia, MN, Carver County

Carver County Historical Society

**\$5,752**

Veterans Gallery Education Program – Stage One. To create and implement curricula that meets Minnesota education standards and enables more thorough student access to veteran's history. • Waconia, MN, Carver County

Carver County Historical Society

**\$6,999**

Andrew Peterson Farmstead: Stabilization of North Barn. To stabilize the barn on the Andrew Peterson Farmstead. The farmstead is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Waconia, MN, Carver County

Carver County Historical Society

**\$7,000**

Reconstruction Planning: Historic Peterson North Barn. To hire a qualified historical architect to create planning documents to guide future historic preservation projects for the property. • Waconia, MN, Carver County

Regents of the University of Minnesota \$6,266

Camp Katharine Parsons Survey and Inventory. To document and inventory archaeological resources at the Phylliss Wheatley Community Center. • Carver County

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**Senate District: 34, House District: 34B**

Library Foundation of Carver County \$1,228

Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 28 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Chaska, MN, Carver County

City of Chaska \$6,610

Guide to Historic Sites Around Chaska. To hire a qualified historian to research and prepare materials that will enable the public to more broadly access historic resources near Chaska. • Chaska, MN, Carver County

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**Senate District: 35, House District: 35A**

Scott County Historical Society \$6,772

Scott County WWII Veteran Manuscript. To prepare a book-length manuscript based on oral histories with World War II veterans from Scott County. • Shakopee, MN, Scott County

Scott County Historical Society \$2,105

Microfilm Newspaper Backlog. To microfilm two years of seven Scott County newspapers not currently on microfilm. • Shakopee, MN, Scott County

Three Rivers Park District — The Landing \$6,949

Collections Inventory and Assessment. To gain intellectual and physical control over all historic objects located in 25 different buildings within the park district and provide better access to them. • Shakopee, MN, Scott County

Three Rivers Park District — The Landing \$6,750

Collections Inventory and Assessment. To gain intellectual and physical control over museum collections in five buildings. • Shakopee, MN, Scott County

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**Senate District: 36, House District: 36B**

Dakota City Heritage Village, Inc. \$2,580

StEPs (Standards and Excellence Programs) Assessment Program. To grow the capacity of the organization to preserve and interpret history through a national training standard. • Farmington, MN, Dakota County

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**Senate District: 38, House District: 38B**

Caponi Art Park \$6,990

CAP Collections Survey, Training & Inventory. To establish the archives of this institution through training and providing basic processing. • Eagan, MN, Dakota County

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**Senate District: 39, House District: 39A**

Minnesota Genealogical Society \$6,971

MGS City Directory Microfilm. To add eight fiche and 96 rolls of microfilmed city directories to broaden public access to primary historical records. • South Saint Paul, MN, Dakota County

Minnesota Genealogical Society \$6,994

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 149 rolls of microfilmed county marriage records to broaden public access to primary historical records. • South Saint Paul, MN, Dakota County

Minnesota Genealogical Society \$7,000

MGS Collection Department – City Directory Microfilm 2. To add 100 rolls of microfilmed primary records to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • South Saint Paul, MN, Dakota County

Minnesota Genealogical Society \$5,670

City Directory Microfilm #3. To acquire 81 rolls of microfilmed city directories for its research library. • South Saint Paul, MN, Dakota County

Minnesota Genealogical Society \$6,583

Microfilm Cabinets and Film Storage Boxes. To make primary historical records on microfilm accessible through efficient and safe storage systems. • South Saint Paul, MN, Dakota County

Pilot Knob Preservation Association \$6,925

Pocket Guide to Pilot Knob Historic Site. To research, write, produce and distribute a web-based pocket guide to historic and culturally important Oheyawahi (Pilot Knob). • Mendota, MN, Dakota County

Trinity Lone Oak Lutheran Church \$2,125

Trinity Lone Oak Church Cemetery Records. To reconstruct internment records of the Lone Oak Lutheran Cemetery and broaden public access by depositing the records at the Dakota County Historical Society. • Eagan, MN, Dakota County

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**Senate District: 40, House District: 40B**

Pond Dakota Heritage Society \$1,100

The Indian Captives Reprint. To create interpretive maps and acquire images related to the U.S.-Dakota War of 1862. • Bloomington, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 43, House District: 43A**

Three Rivers Park District \$39,072

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Three Rivers Park District Cultural Resource Management Plan. To develop a cultural resource management plan for a suburban system of 20 parks and 10 trails. • Plymouth, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 43, House District: 43B**

Hennepin County Library \$7,000

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Rebind and Preserve Sheet Music. To rebind and preserve approximately 1,500 original sheet music items. • Minnetonka, MN, Hennepin County

Hennepin County Library \$7,000

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High School Yearbook Digitization. To digitize and make publicly accessible Minneapolis high school yearbooks from 1890 through 1922, reducing wear on a high-use collection. • Minnetonka, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 44, House District: 44A**

Sholom Community Alliance \$7,000

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Jewish Identity and Legacy Project. To document in 15 oral history interviews the history of one Jewish long-term care system in the Twin Cities. • Saint Louis Park, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 44, House District: 44B**

Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest \$6,700

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Database Enhancement and Cleanup. To enhance the Society's collections database through additional content, development and implementation of a controlled vocabulary, and making the database accessible to the public via its web site. • Saint Louis Park, MN, Hennepin County

Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest \$7,000

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Minnesota Jewish History on Placeography. To broaden public access to information through Placeography about places in Minnesota, significant to Jewish history. • Saint Louis Park, MN, Hennepin County

Jewish Historical Society of the Upper Midwest \$6,998

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St. Louis Park Oral History Project. To document in 18 oral history interviews the story of Jewish migration to St. Louis Park from 1950 through 1970. • Saint Louis Park, MN, Hennepin County

Talmud Torah of Minneapolis \$7,000

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Adopt a Survivor Oral History Archive. To document in 10 oral history interviews the story of Holocaust survivors in Minnesota. For more on this project, see page 17. • Saint Louis Park, MN, Hennepin County

Sabes Jewish Community Center \$7,000

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New Faces of Minnesota Oral History. To fabricate and install an exhibit on new Minnesotans who have begun to weave themselves into the state's story. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Golden Valley Historical Society \$7,000

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Asbestos Contained Asphalt Floor Tiles Abatement. To properly abate asbestos and improve public safety at the Golden Valley History Museum. • Golden Valley, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 47, House District: 47B**

Brooklyn Historical Society \$6,998

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Book Publishing. To publish the three-volume work, "Patriots of Brooklyn: Suppressors of the Great Slaveholder's Rebellion" profiling more than 200 veterans of the American Civil War. • Brooklyn Center, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 48, House District: 48A**

City of Elk River \$2,650

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Elk River Water Tower National Register Nomination. To prepare a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Elk River Water Tower. • Elk River, MN, Sherburne County

Otsego Heritage Preservation Commission \$1,945

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StEPs (Standards and Excellence Programs) Assessment Program. To grow the capacity of the organization to preserve and interpret history through a national training standard. • Otsego, MN, Wright County

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**Senate District: 51, House District: 51B**

Islamic Resource Group \$36,610

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The Muslim Experience in Minnesota Photo and Oral History Project. To capture and convey the Muslim experience in Minnesota through oral interviews and photographic portraits. • Fridley, MN, Anoka County

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**Senate District: 52, House District: 52A**

Washington County Library \$6,700

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Minnesotans: Who We Are and From Whence We Came! To add 227 standard Minnesota history books to the Washington County Library System to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Woodbury, MN, Washington County



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**Senate District: 52, House District: 52B**

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**Washington County Historical Society****\$4,390**

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John Runk Film Project. To make little-known motion pictures by the famous Minnesota still photographer, broadly accessible to the public. • Stillwater, MN, Washington County

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**Stillwater Public Library****\$847**

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Minnesota History Bookshelf. To add 27 standard Minnesota history book titles to broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Stillwater MN, Washington County

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**Minnesota Department of Natural Resources: Division of Parks & Trails****\$5,500**

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St. Croix Boom Site: Historical Interpretive Display. To replicate a missing 1935 historic interpretive marker at the St. Croix Boom Site National Historic Landmark. • Washington County

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**Marine Restoration Society****\$2,389**

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Assessing the John W.G. Dunn Photographs. To gather and analyze historical records that document a series of historically significant images from the St. Croix River Valley. • Marine on Saint Croix, MN, Washington County

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**City of Marine on St. Croix****\$7,000**

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Marine Village Hall: Historic Structures Report. To hire a qualified historical architect to prepare a historic structure report for the Marine Village Hall. The Hall is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Marine on Saint Croix, MN, Washington County

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**Senate District: 53, House District: 53A**

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**India Association of Minnesota****\$7,000**

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India Association of Minnesota Oral History Project. To document in seven oral history interviews, the history of subcontinental Indian music in Minnesota. • The association is based in Burnsville, MN, the project is in Ramsey County

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**Senate District: 53, House District: 53B**

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**White Bear Lake Area Historical Society****\$3,232**

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Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm/fiche. To add 119 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public access to primary historical records. • White Bear Lake, MN, Ramsey County

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**White Bear Lake Area Historical Society****\$1,000**

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Charles P. Noyes Cottage: Fillebrown House Security System Upgrade. To upgrade the museum security system of the Charles P. Noyes Cottage (Fillebrown House). The property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • White Bear Lake, MN, Ramsey County

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**Senate District: 55, House District: 55A**

**North St. Paul Historical Society**

**\$500**

Revision and Updating "Walking Tour of North St. Paul." To revise and update the brochure, "Walking Tour of North St. Paul."  
• North Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**North Star Museum of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting**

**\$3,588**

North Star Museum Periodical Inventory/Rehousing Project. To make accessible "Boys' Life," "Scouting," "American Girl" and "Girl Scout Leader" magazines as a basis for understanding scouting history in Minnesota. • North Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**Maplewood Area Historical Society**

**\$6,950**

Develop Interpretive Plan for the Maplewood Area Historical Society's Exhibits & Programs. To draft and implement a comprehensive interpretive plan. • Maplewood, MN, Ramsey County

**Maplewood Area Historical Society**

**\$7,000**

Gladstone Exhibit Planning. To hire a qualified historian to research and draft an exhibit on Gladstone, an early suburban development in Maplewood Township. • Maplewood, MN, Ramsey County

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**Senate District: 56, House District: 56A**

**City of Stillwater**

**\$4,260**

Hersey & Bean Planing Mill Wall Stabilization. To develop a plan for the immediate stabilization and long-term preservation of the remaining rear wall of the Hersey & Bean Planing Mill. • Stillwater, MN, Washington County

**City of Stillwater**

**\$6,999**

Stillwater Heirloom Homes & Landmark Site Program #3. To complete research on the remaining 57 historic landmarks identified in a designation report. • Stillwater, MN, Washington County

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**Senate District: 56, House District: 56B**

**Chinese American Academic and Professional Association in Minnesota**

**\$7,000**

100 Years of Chinese American History in MN. To document in eight oral history interviews the history of Chinese experience in Minnesota after 1970. • Woodbury, MN, Washington County

**Washington County Library**

**\$2,952**

One County, One Book: The First Minnesota. To add multiple copies of three standard history books about Minnesota in the Civil War to the library system and broaden public access to Minnesota history. • Woodbury, MN, Washington County

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**Senate District: 57, House District: 57A**

Dakota County Historical Society **\$75,000**

Collection Storage Renovation Project. To assist in acquiring and installing compact storage to better preserve significant evidence from Dakota County's past. • South Saint Paul, MN, Dakota County

Dakota County Historical Society **\$6,600**

Dakota County Historical Society Exhibit Guide Development & Production. To develop and implement visitor guides for four venues about history in Dakota County. • South Saint Paul, MN, Dakota County

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**Senate District: 57, House District: 57B**

Afton Historical Society Press **\$28,169**

"Pioneer Modernists" Manuscript. To publish the book "Pioneer Modernists" about Minnesota women making significant contributions to art in the early 20th century. • Afton, MN, Washington County

Afton Historical Society **\$7,000**

Collections Care and Management: Inventory Project. To gain physical and intellectual control of approximately 4,000 artifacts using PastPerfect Museum Software. • Afton, MN, Washington County

Afton Historical Society **\$6,990**

Collections Care & Management: Cataloging Phase 1. To upgrade in the Society's collections, catalogs from paper to PastPerfect Museum Software. • Afton, MN, Washington County

Afton Historical Society **\$7,000**

Collections Care & Management: Cataloging Phase 2. To gain intellectual and physical control over documentary evidence of Afton history. • Afton, MN, Washington County

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**Senate District: 58, House District: 58B**

Emerge Community Development **\$150,000**

Minneapolis Public Library, North Branch. To rehabilitate the North Branch Library as a career and technology center. The Library is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. For more on this project, see page 10. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

City of Minneapolis **\$7,000**

Pillsbury A Mill (National Historic Landmark): Energy Center and Tunnels. To determine reuse of historic tunnels and drop shafts to produce hydrothermal energy for heating and cooling. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

City of Minneapolis **\$75,000**

Minneapolis Warehouse District: Heritage Street Plan. To develop a Warehouse District Heritage Street Plan to provide guidance on adaptive reuse of the district's historic industrial infrastructure. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

American Red Cross Twin Cities Area Chapter \$6,986

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Minnesota Women in World War I: Red Cross Volunteers. To research and produce a small traveling exhibit about significant contributions of women to the Red Cross in World War I. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

American Red Cross Twin Cities Area Chapter \$7,000

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World War I Canteener Research and Manuscript. To research and develop a book about World War I Red Cross volunteer Alice O'Brien. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Asian Media Access \$7,000

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Asian American Settlers' History in North Minneapolis. To document in 12 oral history interviews, the history of Asian American-Pacific Islander immigrants to Minnesota. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Old Highland Neighborhood Association \$7,000

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Historic Old Highland Phase II. To increase public awareness of the historic and architectural quality of the homes in Old Highland of Minneapolis. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

University of Minnesota Press \$3,837

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Minnesota Flour-milling History: Fieldwork and Writing. To prepare a book-length manuscript on the history of flour milling across the state. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Municipal Building Commission \$6,982

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Municipal Building Collection Care and Improvements. To gain intellectual and physical control over historically significant municipal artifacts held in public trust. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Lao Assistance Center of Minnesota \$7,000

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Lao Oral History Archives. To document in 10 oral history interviews the historical experience of Lao people in war, refugee camps and immigrating to Minnesota. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Minnesota Planetarium Society \$7,000

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Dakota Cultural Perspectives of the Earth and Sky. To create an astronomy program to preserve and transmit Dakota culture and history to present and future generations. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

The Advocates for Human Rights \$7,000

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Liberians' Experience at Truth and Reconciliation Commission Public Hearings in Minnesota Oral History. To document in 10 oral history interviews the history of Liberian immigrants in Minnesota. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 59, House District: 59A**

Minneapolis Community Planning and Economic Development \$50,000

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Minneapolis Brewing Company: Grain Belt Office Building. To abate water infiltration in the lower levels of the Grain Belt Office Building. The Building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Minneapolis Community Planning and Economic Development** **\$125,000**

Minneapolis Brewing Company: Grain Belt Office Building Rehabilitation. Install drain tile and regrade window wells slopes to stabilize the Grain Belt office building. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Firefighter's Hall and Museum** **\$7,000**

StEPs (Standards and Excellence Programs). To grow the capacity of the Firefighter's Hall and Museum to preserve and interpret history through a national training standard. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Senate District: 59, House District: 59B**

**Twin Cities Media Alliance** **\$7,000**

Minnesota journalists in the last half of the 20th Century. To document in 20 oral history interviews the history of Minnesota journalism from 1950 through 2000. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Regents of the University of Minnesota** **\$27,667**

Planting the Seeds of the Green Revolution. To digitize the Norman Borlaug Papers and provide worldwide access. Borlaug was an agronomist, humanitarian and Nobel laureate. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Regents of the University of Minnesota** **\$6,543**

Minnesota's Immigrant Life Writings. To identify and make accessible "life writings" created in languages other than English. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Regents of the University of Minnesota** **\$112,807**

Harvesting Minnesota's Agricultural History: Cataloging. To organize, catalog and make accessible archival material documenting the history of agriculture in Minnesota. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Regents of the University of Minnesota** **\$6,983**

American Society of Landscape Architects: Minnesota Legacy Project. To document in eight oral history interviews, the story of landscape design in 20th century Minnesota. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Regents of the University of Minnesota** **\$6,500**

Jaques Conservation Survey. To conduct a conservation survey of 95 works of art by Francis Lee Jaques housed at three Minnesota museums. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Soap Factory** **\$46,800**

Soap Factory Historic Structure Report with Energy Plan. To prepare a historic structure report with a comprehensive energy plan for building reuse at the Soap Factory, a contributing resource in the St. Anthony Falls Historic District and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Minnesota Medical Association Foundation** **\$2,914**

Minnesota Psychiatry Oral History. To document in 10 oral history interviews the history of Minnesota psychiatry, and transcribe 10 previous interviews from the 1970s. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Minnesota Visiting Nurse Agency \$6,700

Minnesota Visiting Nurse Agency History Book. To publish a revised and expanded version of the Agency's 108-year history as an 80-page book. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 60, House District: 60A**

Service League of the Hennepin County Medical Center \$988

Rehousing of the Public Relations Photograph Collection. To properly preserve approximately 1,700 prints and negatives documenting medical history. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

The Basilica Landmark \$7,000

Basilica Interior Moisture Testing. To monitor moisture in preparation for future restoration projects on the Basilica of St. Mary. The Basilica is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Service League of the Hennepin County Medical Center \$1,700

"Decades of Hennepin County Health Care" exhibit. To create and install an exhibit on medical history in Hennepin County from 1880 through 2010. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 60, House District: 60B**

Minnesota Streetcar Museum \$3,808

Sleeve Historic Photo Collection. To properly rehouse a historic photo collection of Minnesota's streetcar heritage. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

The Bakken Museum \$7,000

West Winds: The Story of a House that Became a Museum. To fabricate and install an exhibit that provides additional interpretation for The Bakken Museum housed in the 1929 William E. Goodfellow mansion. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

The Bakken Museum \$6,950

Medical Alley Oral History Project. To document in 12 oral history interviews, the history of Minnesota's influential and significant medical device industry. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Bakken Museum \$6,975

Bakken Museum Dakota Medicinal Plant Garden. To develop and install an interpretive exhibit showing four distinct gardens historically planted by Dakota people. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 61, House District: 61A**

Native American Community Development Institute \$107,900

Dakota Lands in Minnesota Research Project. To produce a cross-disciplinary book-length manuscript on the history of land use by Dakota people in Minnesota prior to 1862. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**St. Stephen's Human Services** **\$6,700**

An Oral History of Homelessness in Minnesota. To document in nine oral history interviews, the homeless experience in Minnesota. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Minneapolis College of Art and Design** **\$1,000**

Creating an Archives Plan for the Minneapolis College of Art and Design. To hire a qualified archivist to assess college archives in preparation for improved storage. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Minneapolis College of Art and Design** **\$7,000**

Documenting the History of Minnesota Comics. To document in 15 oral history interviews, Minnesota's cartoonists' community. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**American Swedish Institute** **\$94,677**

American Swedish Institute Library and Archives Management Project. To gain intellectual and physical control over its collection in order to provide better public access to Minnesota's Swedish heritage. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Hennepin History Museum** **\$6,628**

Conservation Assessment/Preservation Plan. To hire professional conservators to assess historically significant collections and write a long-range preservation plan. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Minnesota Council of Churches Refugee Services** **\$7,000**

Book of Minnesota Refugee Narratives. To publish a book documenting refugee resettlement in Minnesota. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Minnesota African American Museum & Cultural Center** **\$7,000**

Minnesota African American Museum Exhibit. To hire a qualified historian to research and prepare for a traveling exhibit on African Americans in Minnesota. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Senate District: 61, House District: 61B**

**Obsidian Arts** **\$7,000**

Traveling Exhibit "150 Years of African Artists Minnesota Connections." To broaden public accessibility to "150 Years of African Artists - Minnesota Connections" through a statewide traveling exhibit. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Lake Street Council** **\$7,000**

Museum in the Streets: Lake Street. To create and install three historical marker systems in English and Spanish totaling 45 to 60 individual markers. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

**Preserve Minneapolis** **\$7,000**

Historic Walking and Biking Tours. To have a qualified historian research and assemble materials in preparation for walking and bicycling tours to historic resources in the city. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 62, House District: 62A**

Friends of the Immigration History Research Center **\$13,123**

Houses of Worship and Ethnicity in Early Twin Cities. To collect data and conduct oral history interviews on congregations and houses of worship in nine neighborhoods in the Twin Cities near the Mississippi River between 1849 and 1924. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Will Steger Foundation **\$7,000**

A Minnesota Hero: Preserving the Will Steger Story. To begin the initial inventory of explorer Will Steger's manuscripts collection for future preservation and accessibility. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 63, House District: 63A**

Richfield Historical Society **\$44,148**

Richfield Historical Society Interpretive Plan. To prepare a comprehensive interpretive plan for better public access to Richfield history. • Richfield, MN, Hennepin County

Richfield Historical Society **\$4,620**

Cataloging Tax Assessor Photo Collection. To make publicly accessible a collection of 7,500 photographs of Richfield housing between 1955 and 1957. • Richfield, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 63, House District: 63B**

Hennepin County **\$7,000**

Fort Snelling West District Historic Building Inventory. To conduct a survey of 15 historic building interiors of the West District of Fort Snelling to supplement the Historic Context Study of the Light Rail Transit Station Area. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Hennepin County **\$7,000**

Fort Snelling Upper Post Program for Preservation and Utilization. To enhance public use and future redevelopment of the Upper Post area of Fort Snelling through planning and developing a new program for preservation and utilization. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

Friends of Fort Snelling (Fort Snelling State Park Association) **\$5,900**

Fort Snelling in World War II: A Self Guided Tour. To expand and enhance a self-guided tour book of World War II era Fort Snelling. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Senate District: 64, House District: 64A**

Macalester College: Geography Department **\$6,300**

Veritas Caput: Defining the Source of the Mississippi. To produce a film on the efforts to map and determine the source of the Mississippi River. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County



Macalester College, DeWitt Wallace Library \$10,888

Digitization of Historic College Publications. To digitize and make accessible issues of the College's student and community newspapers and catalogs. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Concordia University, St. Paul \$21,825

Documenting Minnesota: the 1970s Oral History Project. To conduct, transcribe, edit and archive oral histories on the social and cultural history of Minnesota during the 1970s. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Quatrefoil Library \$6,264

Quatrefoil Library Collections Preservation Project. To meet archival storage guidelines through proper storage and preservation for a significant collection of books and multimedia. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Commission of Deaf, DeafBlind & Hard-of-Hearing Minnesotans \$7,000

National Register Nomination of Thompson Hall. To hire a qualified professional to write a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for Thompson Hall. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Center for Hmong Studies \$7,000

Reflections of Hmong History Through Tapestry. To hire a professional historian to document Hmong textiles in various repositories in preparation for an exhibit. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Amherst H. Wilder Foundation \$5,221

Wilder Archives Collections Project. To provide basic processing for 59 cubic feet of archival materials in order to provide public access to the Amherst H. Wilder archives. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Senate District: 64, House District: 64B**

Maritime Heritage Minnesota \$6,462

U.S.S. Essex Log Books Digitization Pilot Project. To digitize six to 10 log books of the U.S.S. Essex which is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Maritime Heritage Minnesota \$6,990

U.S.S. Essex Log Book Project II: Editing/Transcription. To edit, process, transcribe and create metadata for digital images of 31 log books of the U.S.S. Essex Shipwreck. The Shipwreck is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Grassroots Culture \$5,870

Minnesota Bluegrass Evolution. To record 11 oral history interviews with people who shaped bluegrass music in Minnesota. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

St. Catherine University \$19,970

Our Lady of Victory Chapel: Accessibility Plan. To design a plan for ADA renovation of the Our Lady of Victory Chapel on St. Catherine University's St. Paul campus. The Chapel is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Senate District: 65, House District: 65A**

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**Minnesota Transportation Museum****\$6,918**

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Minnesota Transportation Museum Collection Management. To begin to establish intellectual and physical control over its collection electronically through an inventory project using PastPerfect Museum Software. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Minnesota Transportation Museum****\$6,950**

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Podcasts and Web site Content at the Minnesota Transportation Museum. To further public access to transportation history through additional digital content. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**University UNITED****\$7,000**

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History of University Avenue at Prior and Fairview Avenue. To gather and analyze historic resources in preparation for providing public access through interpretation of a portion of University Avenue history. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Minnesota Women's Consortium****\$6,900**

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Women in Minnesota Politics: an oral history. To document in six oral history interviews, the story of women in politics in Minnesota. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Minnesota Women's Consortium****\$2,000**

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Women in Minnesota Politics Documentary. To edit audio-visual assets as a part of a larger project to create a documentary on women's political history in Minnesota. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Senate District: 65, House District: 65B**

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**Ramsey County Historical Society****\$6,645**

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Schoolhouse Program for Home School Families. To expand the reach of its popular elementary and middle school education programs, which address state social studies standards, to home school children during shoulder seasons at the Gibbs Museum of Pioneer and Dakotah Life. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Science Museum of Minnesota****\$21,100**

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Spring Lake Archaeology in the 21st Century: Ranelius Site. To make publicly accessible archaeological artifacts such as pottery, recovered in 1955 from the historic, late Woodland era Ranelius site. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Aeon****\$50,000**

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O'Donnell Shoe Company Building Preservation. To repoint masonry work on the O'Donnell Shoe Company building. The building is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • St. Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Minnesota Landmarks****\$7,000**

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Historic Roof Evaluation for Landmark Center. To evaluate the original 1902 roof in preparation for stabilization. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Czech and Slovak Sokol Minnesota****\$7,000**

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Cesko-Slovanský Podporující í Spolek (CSPS) Hall: HVAC Evaluation. To provide an engineering assessment of an 1887 National Register of Historic Places property's environmental system. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**HAND in HAND Productions** **\$7,000**

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Saint Paul Police Women's Oral History Project. To document in 11 oral history interviews, the history and culture of women serving the St. Paul Police Department. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**Historic Saint Paul** **\$7,000**

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Tour Saint Paul: Frogtown and West End. To create public access to two significant neighborhoods of St. Paul through self-guided tours. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**Regents of the University of MN – Labor Education Services** **\$6,000**

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Who Built the Capitol? To assemble historical resources pertaining to the laborers who built the Minnesota State Capitol. • Minneapolis, MN, Hennepin County

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**Senate District: 65, House District: 65B**

**Preservation Alliance of Minnesota** **\$5,771**

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10 Most Endangered Exhibit Expansion Project. To create and expand an exhibit on the 10 most endangered historic places in Minnesota. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**Preservation Alliance of Minnesota** **\$3,600**

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Real Estate Agent Training for Historic Property Sales. To provide accredited training concerning historic properties for real estate agents. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**Artspace Projects, Inc.** **\$100,000**

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Northern Warehouse Redevelopment. To replace the roof and windows and upgrade the interior of the historic Northern Warehouse for use as an affordable mixed-use space, located in the Lowertown Historic District. The Warehouse is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • St. Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**Minnesota Museum of American Art** **\$29,322**

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New Database and Collections Inventory. To gain physical and intellectual control of the collection in order to broaden public access to historic Minnesota art. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**James J. Hill Reference Library** **\$88,000**

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James J. Hill Reference Library: Window Replacement. To repair and replace windows at the James J. Hill Reference Library. The library is listed in the National Register of Historic Places. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**Commission of Deaf, DeafBlind & Hard-of-Hearing Minnesotans** **\$64,100**

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The Minnesota Oral/Visual History Project. To record, preserve and make available oral/visual histories of deaf, deaf/blind and hard-of-hearing Minnesotans. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

**Ramsey County Law Library** **\$7,000**

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Painting Survey. To conduct a conservation assessment of 36 paintings of Ramsey County District Court judges and prepare a long-range preservation plan. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

<b>Minnesota Legislative Reference Library</b>	<b>\$6,500</b>
Women's Legislative Timeline Project. To prepare a timeline of significant legislation affecting Minnesota women from 1920 to the present. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>Minnesota Legislative Reference Library</b>	<b>\$4,076</b>
2004 Senate Legislative Tape Conversion Project. To digitize 817 audiocassettes of 2004 Minnesota Senate Committee hearings to augment current digital content. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>Office of the Revisor of Statutes</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>
Minnesota Rule Online Archive. To make publicly accessible Minnesota Rules from 1982 to 2007 as digital, web-based content. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>Office of the Revisor of Statutes</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>
Minnesota Statutes Online Archive (1982-1996). To make publicly accessible Minnesota Statutes from 1982 to 1996 as digital, web-based content. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>Office of the Revisor of Statutes</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>
Minnesota Statutes Online Archive (1849-1981). To complete digital access to Minnesota Statutes by adding statutes from 1849 until 1981 to an online searchable resource. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>Twin Cities Public Television</b>	<b>\$2,624</b>
First Speakers: Restoring the Ojibwe Language Documentary. To translate Dakota and Ojibwe interviews documenting language preservation and revitalization efforts in Minnesota. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>Ramsey County Historical Society</b>	<b>\$6,973</b>
Artifact Collection Inventory. To begin to gain intellectual and physical control over a significant historical collection documenting Ramsey County history. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>Ramsey County Historical Society</b>	<b>\$6,996</b>
Artifact Collection Inventory. To conduct a professional inventory of approximately 4,000 objects documenting Ramsey County history. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>The Rose Ensemble</b>	<b>\$5,250</b>
Research for Temperance and Temptation. To have a historian research historic temperance music on file at six repositories in preparation for performances of the music through a concert series. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>Saint Paul Heritage Preservation Commission</b>	<b>\$7,000</b>
Jacob Schmidt Brewing Company Historic District National Register Nomination. To hire a qualified historian to prepare the nomination of the Jacob Schmidt Brewing Company Historic District to the National Register of Historic Places. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	
<b>Cathedral Heritage Foundation</b>	<b>\$4,341</b>
Archives: Preserving the Past, Shaping the Future. To provide basic processing and rehousing of archival materials in order to make the Cathedral of St. Paul archives publicly accessible. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County	

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**Senate District: 66, House District: 66A**

East Side Neighborhood Development Company **\$7,000**

Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary Audio-Video Tour. To enhance public access to significant historic resources preserved in this East Side park through an MP3 audio tour. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

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**Senate District: 66, House District: 66B**

Hamline United Methodist Church **\$3,500**

Hamline United Methodist Church National Register Nomination Preparation. To hire a professional historian to complete research and documentation of the Hamline United Methodist Church building in preparation for nomination to the National Register of Historic Places. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Cass Gilbert Society, Inc. **\$6,100**

Celebrating 150 Years of Cass Gilbert. To broaden online historical content about Cass Gilbert projects. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Ramsey County Historical Society **\$6,750**

Archaeological Survey of the Gibbs Museum. To conduct an archaeological survey of Gibbs Farm in preparation for site planning. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Hamline University — Center For Global Environmental Education **\$29,926**

The History of Environmental Education in Minnesota: Oral/Video Interviews. To conduct oral/video interviews with the people who shaped environmental education in Minnesota. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Minnesota Newspaper Foundation **\$7,000**

Video of Minnesota Newspaper Museum at State Fair. To document on film newspaper production and printing equipment operated by skilled volunteers. The retrospective video will be shown at the Minnesota State Fair. • St. Paul, MN, Ramsey County

Minnesota Administrators of Special Education **\$6,998**

History of Special Education in Minnesota's Schools. To document in seven oral history interviews the development of special education in Minnesota. • Saint Paul, MN, Ramsey County









# Statewide Historic Programs

The Minnesota Historical Society presents award-winning exhibits and educational programs that share Minnesota stories with Minnesotans of all ages. With support from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, the Society has created more than 40 statewide historic programs to reach new audiences using interactive technology and innovative training methods, as well as to preserve Minnesota's historical and cultural heritage. In fiscal years 2010 and 2011, the Society has invested \$7.75 million in these programs, which have reached all corners of the state.

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## Inspiring Students and Teachers

Bringing Minnesota history to life and into the classroom in more impactful ways.



### Innovative Training Opportunities for Minnesota's Teachers

**\$228,046**

In 2009 and 2010, more than 565 Minnesota teachers benefitted from professional development workshops led by the Minnesota Historical Society. These innovative training opportunities included a Northern Lights Academy program at the Minnesota History Center, immersion programs at historic sites, partnerships with social studies organizations and professional development programs for teachers in rural school districts. In the first seven months of 2011, seven additional education workshops are planned, including a two-day social studies bus tour to various historic locations around Minnesota. See page 9 for more on these workshops.

Teacher training field trip to Oliver H. Kelley Farm, Elk River.

### Interactive Video Conferencing

**\$496,427**

The Minnesota Historical Society launched a pilot program to provide interactive educational programs for fourth through sixth grade students, using new video-conferencing capabilities. Three programs, including one featuring Harriet Bishop, the first schoolteacher in St. Paul, allow students to stay in their classroom while role playing, interacting in real-time with historical characters and participating in related activities. The test programs, which were piloted in schools in six counties throughout Minnesota, reached 1,200 students in the spring of 2010. More than 100 teachers participated in the prototyping process and provided valuable feedback. These programs are now being expanded and reservations can be booked in classrooms across Minnesota. Two additional video conferencing programs, one targeted at high school students and one for lower elementary students, are also in development and scheduled for launch in 2011. See page 8 for more on this program.

## Creating Success for 21st-Century Learners

\$315,834

Today's students have grown up with technology. Research shows that traditional teaching tools, such as textbooks and lectures, don't fully engage these "digital natives" for whom technology has always been at the center of their lives. As teachers strive to reinvent their classrooms to meet the needs of this new generation, the Minnesota Historical Society is using ACHF funding to conduct research and to develop programs and materials that will support teachers' classroom needs and engage digital natives in the study of history. Extensive focus groups with educators, parents and students throughout the state yielded two seminal reports that are guiding the current development of new field trip experiences at eight of the Society's historic sites and museums. These new programs will use technology to engage students in the exploration of history and will promote the development of 21st-century skills, including critical thinking, problem solving, creativity and innovation. Already organizations across the country are planning to leverage this research, which may form the basis for a national model.

## Legacy Field Trip Support Fund

\$109,345

Affordable transportation is one of the biggest barriers for schools' ability to plan field trips to Minnesota Historical Society sites and museums. By June 2011, nearly 400 schools across Minnesota will access the Society's Legacy Field Trip Support Fund, which means more than 30,000 students will be able to learn about history through field trip experiences they otherwise might have missed. See page 9 for more on this program.

## American Indian "Hands On" History Curriculum for Minnesota's Students

\$290,461



Recognizing the importance of hands-on learning, the Minnesota Historical Society developed new curriculum with a particular emphasis on American Indian history in Minnesota. One activity from this curriculum allows students to create an Ojibwe shoulder bag. In another activity, students create a winter count, a tool used by the Dakota to record key historical events. The Society offers complete kits for these learning projects that include all the resources a teacher needs to do the classroom activity. The kits also contain additional learning resources like a comprehensive teacher's guide, laminated classroom placards, instructional DVDs and a resource CD. Through projects like these, Minnesota students are being introduced to Ojibwe and Dakota culture, history and arts, as required by the Minnesota learning standards.

Student working on an Ojibwe shoulder bag.

## History Day Expansion

\$381,622

History Day, an annual program co-sponsored by the Minnesota Historical Society and the University of Minnesota, challenges young people to research a historical subject related to an annual theme and present their findings in the form of exhibits, documentaries, performances, web sites and papers, much like a "science fair for history." ACHF funding made it possible for the Society to provide additional services to 118 schools in 39 counties across the state. Services included classroom visits by Society educators, support for field trips to county and university libraries, the assignment of mentors from MNSCU campuses to advise local students and organizing regional professional development workshops for History Day teachers. More than 150 teachers used these services, benefitting approximately 10,000 Minnesota students in grades six through 12.

"ACHF helped pay for buses, substitutes and library helpers to be available. In a district that is constantly pinching its pennies, financial assistance such as the ACHF allows our students to have better opportunities."

~ Angela Brinkman, 6th and 7th grade Social Studies Teacher, Jackson County Central Middle School, Lakefield

## Online Fur Trade Interactive Experience

\$60,000

In 2010, the Minnesota Historical Society researched the development of an Online Fur Trade Interactive Learning Experience as a supplement to the Northern Lights history textbook. This web-based application, geared toward middle school students, will not only offer a glimpse of Minnesota's history, but also provides a lesson about the foundation of today's complex global economy. With additional funding, the Society will build and launch this program in 2011, eventually rolling it out nationwide to create exposure for Minnesota's North West Company Fur Post in Pine City.

## Mobile Learning Project

\$97,437

The Minnesota Historical Society is developing a mobile application that will allow students to investigate Minnesota history anywhere, any place and anytime, using their handheld mobile devices. In addition, the Society is designing a mobile technology component for the History Center's "Our Minnesota" exhibit that will enable students to immediately apply what they've learned in exhibits. This technology will allow students and teachers to "harvest" items from collections for use in the classroom and to take the exhibit experience home or back to their school.

## Engaging Students in Minnesota History through Internships and Education

\$198,220

Developing a passion for history often starts well before adulthood. To foster this interest, the Minnesota Historical Society has developed an internship program to serve both high school and college students during the 2010–2011 school year. The funding to date has supported the hiring of staff and the initial recruiting for this program. To enrich the internship experience, the Society is introducing additional discussions and classroom presentations for all college interns over a semester-long period. In addition, the Society plans to launch an educational summer program, in partnership with the University of Minnesota, directed at disadvantaged youth, focusing on skills that address the Minnesota State Learning Standards for History and Social Studies.

## Re-envisioning the Online Presence of Education

\$57,050

Recognizing the importance of reaching K-12 students, as well as their parents and teachers, much of the Minnesota Historical Society's web site is specifically aimed at these groups. While the existing web site, [www.mnhs.org/school](http://www.mnhs.org/school), is widely used, it has become unwieldy and difficult for the intended audiences to explore and engage with the Society's plethora of content and services. Through this project, the Society completed an evaluation of the site to determine student and teacher needs, how they currently use the site and how best to deliver online products. The evaluation resulted in a plan that will be used to redesign the site to make it more user-friendly, easier to navigate and focused on delivering enriched academic resources.

## Multimedia Support

\$201,033

Many projects and programs funded by the ACHF required multimedia support to generate online content, to create online training and video resources and to document programs. This funding helped deliver those services to ensure a seamless and positive experience for users accessing information and new digital content made possible by ACHF projects.

## Access to History for Everybody

Giving more Minnesotans access to historic sites, museums and programs.

## Expansion of Statewide History Players Program

\$149,344

The History Players program is a popular program in which actors portraying historical figures come to Minnesota classrooms to give students "real life" lessons in history. ACHF funding is enabling the Minnesota Historical Society to expand access to the History Player program. Starting in 2011, the cost to schools for the program will be significantly reduced and the Society will pay for the mileage and travel expenses for programs booked outside the Twin Cities metropolitan area. Scholarships are also now available to cover the full cost of the program for eligible schools and organizations. In addition, the Society is increasing accessibility by adapting the program for senior citizens and families, making History Players available to nursing homes and public libraries across the state.

## Digital Encyclopedia of Minnesota History

\$265,576

Increasingly, people are turning to digital resources for answers to questions or as a starting point for research. The Encyclopedia of Minnesota History will be a new digital resource for the public from the Minnesota Historical Society. It will provide reliable, multimedia entries about people, places, events and things in Minnesota history. The Society launched the project in 2010 and developed a comprehensive plan, including surveying more than 60 local and national experts and evaluating 40 comparable digital resources. In 2011, the project team will develop a prototype that will test initial entries and technology, invite user feedback, inspire content partnerships and guide full web site implementation in 2012. For more on this program, see page 19.

The Minnesota Historical Society created a new traveling exhibits program, called “Exhibits to Go,” giving more than 15 communities across Minnesota the ability to experience Minnesota history in their own neighborhood. Funding for the traveling exhibits came from multiple appropriation categories, including funding for Statewide Historic Programs and for History Partnership Projects. See page 87 for funds awarded to partner organizations to help make these exhibits possible. The traveling exhibits feature freestanding displays, audiovisual and interactive components, and onsite and online educational programming. To date, four exhibits—“Minnesota on the Map,” “Minnesota Homefront,” “Electrifying Minnesota” and “Uncle Sam’s New Deal”—are available through this program. In addition, the Society partnered with the Minnesota Humanities Center to bring exhibits from the Smithsonian Institution to Minnesota, as highlighted below:

- **“Minnesota on the Map”**

This exhibit features a dozen maps from the Minnesota Historical Society collections, from Louis Hennepin’s 1683 map of the upper Mississippi River Valley to a satellite map of Minnesota produced by NASA. The maps are reproduced on seven portable exhibit panels and a video station provides commentary on a selection of the maps. One highlight of the exhibit is an oversized jigsaw puzzle map of Minnesota that engages schoolchildren and other young visitors.

- **“Minnesota Homefront, World War II”**

Change came quickly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. Featuring nine panels, audio interviews, songs of the period and a “Letter Stories” bin, this traveling exhibit shares the experiences of 46 Minnesotans and the state’s role in the most widespread war in history. Visitors to this exhibit can discover what it was like to “make do” with rationing, farm during a severe labor shortage and endure a starvation experiment for science and the war effort.

- **“Uncle Sam’s New Deal”**

Partner Organization: Minnesota Landmark Center

With recent headlines about stimulus packages and infrastructure issues fresh in the minds of citizens, “Uncle Sam’s New Deal” illuminates the Federal government’s role in efforts to revive Minnesota communities more than 70 years ago. ACHF funds enabled the Minnesota Historical Society, in partnership with the Minnesota Landmark Center, to prepare the exhibit for statewide touring. The exhibit, which is scheduled to travel to six communities in 2011, includes portable panels, New Deal film footage and an interactive art activity.

- **“Electrifying Minnesota”**

Partner Organization: Bakken Museum

Imagine having electricity available at the flick of a switch for the first time. “Electrifying Minnesota” explores how electricity has transformed lives in Minnesota since 1882, from what people thought about electricity in the late 19th and 20th centuries to how we will generate electricity in the 21st century. ACHF funds have enabled the Minnesota Historical Society, in partnership with the Bakken Museum, to take this exhibit on the road. Featuring portable exhibit panels, period silent films and an interactive electromagnetic generator, the exhibit will travel to five communities, inviting visitors to rediscover a sense of wonder about how electricity shapes our lives.

- **Smithsonian Museum on Main Street Exhibits**

Partner Organization: Minnesota Humanities Center

The Minnesota Historical Society, in partnership with the Minnesota Humanities Center, brought the Smithsonian Institution’s “Journey Stories” exhibit to Minnesota. This exhibit, which is part of the Smithsonian’s Museum on Main Street initiative, focuses



on tales of how immigrants came to America and also examines modes of travel and Americans’ desire to feel free to move. In a subsequent project, the Society and Humanities Center sponsored an open application process through which six Minnesota communities were selected to host the Smithsonian’s “New Harmonies: Celebrating American Roots Music” traveling exhibit. This exhibit will be the fifth of the Smithsonian’s Museum on Main Street exhibits to visit the state. It begins its Minnesota tour in March 2011. For more on this traveling exhibit, see page 20.

Kids enjoying the traveling exhibit “Journey Stories”, Wright County Historical Society (photo courtesy Sally Stevens).

## Intergenerational Learning Programs

**\$609,229**

“Connecting Generations through History” launched in November 2009 with 12 projects statewide, facilitated by Minnesota Historical Society staff, historic sites and public libraries. The projects were designed to foster deep intergenerational learning, while preserving important community stories. Final events to mark the projects’ completion drew large crowds. Each project is featured on a new web site “Sharing Community Stories,” <http://legacy.mnhs.org/sharing-community-stories>, which launched in late 2010. In another aspect of intergenerational programming, the Society established a Teen Advisory Council. These teens work in partnership with History Center staff to hone their workplace skills as they develop teen-oriented programming for the History Center. Based on the Advisory Council’s work, the History Center produced the “Ready, Set, Music!” event in June 2010 and is planning an oral history-based theater program scheduled for spring 2011. For more on the Society’s Intergenerational Learning Programs, see the story on page 17.



Kids and seniors working together, Virginia.

## E-book Publishing

**\$52,692**

The Minnesota Historical Society Press (MHS Press) converted more than 125 MHS Press/Borealis Books titles to digital formats for multiple e-book readers, including the Kindle, the Nook, the Sony E-reader and the Apple iPad, allowing us to meet the needs of not only young, tech-savvy readers, but also users in the over-50 age bracket who have been among the first adopters of e-reader technologies. MHS Press also developed its first “enhanced e-content” project with ACHF funds: a new mobile application to accompany the paperback book, *Dad’s Eye View of the Twin Cities*. This application allows for sharing among parents and other caregivers, encourages intergenerational connections and gives users a fun new way to explore important cultural and historical places in the Twin Cities.

## Digitization of Minnesota’s Newspapers

**\$209,102**

Working with the Minnesota Newspaper Association, local historical societies and newspaper publishers, the Minnesota Historical Society launched an innovative project to expand the number of contemporary newspapers available in digital form. In the pilot phase of the project, the Society developed a methodology for digitizing, preserving and indexing newspaper content. Those processes will be tested with six newspapers and optimized in 2011. With ACHF funding, the Society was also able to purchase necessary hardware and software to store the newspaper files and to make the content available to researchers through the Society’s reference library, as well as through a web site that will be available to the public.

## Digitization of Historical Collections

**\$338,579**

Through this funding, the Minnesota Historical Society is advancing the work of making collections information available online. The Society is photographing 3D objects in the collections and completing corresponding descriptions that will be published online, allowing web site visitors to access an increasing volume of historical information. With more than 250,000 objects in the 3D collections alone, the Society is prioritizing efforts on objects that document popular topics appealing to History Day students and the general public. Collections assistants are also scanning iconic Minnesota documents from the Society’s manuscript collections, linking these images to the online inventory of library resources and creating blog entries and podcasts to showcase rare and unusual examples from the collections.

## Public Awareness and Communication

**\$274,229**

The Minnesota Historical Society created communication strategies and promotional materials for many of the ACHF-funded programs to increase public awareness and ensure that citizens, educators and students would use and benefit from the new programs.

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## **Investing in People and Communities**

Supporting local history organizations and historic site programs.

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### **Support of Local History Organizations**

**\$465,345**

The Minnesota Historical Society launched a new program to expand services supporting the work of local history organizations, especially in relation to the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program. The Society sought out potential grant applicants, led grant-writing workshops, presented at 43 public meetings statewide and conducted onsite visits in approximately 40 communities. As a result of this work, more than 894 organizations submitted a grant application, resulting in 474 grants to organizations in 86 Minnesota counties.

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### **Reaching Out to the Community through Historic Site Programs**

**\$154,272**

The Minnesota Historical Society manages 26 historic sites and museums across Minnesota. Recognizing an opportunity to work more collaboratively with organizations where historic sites are located, the Society developed programs to expand history education and programming and elevate the level of professionalism in local history organizations. This funding enabled site staff across the state to host workshops to train history professionals and work with local historical agencies to assess and update collections. For example, in Little Falls, a staff member from the Charles A. Lindbergh site helped the Minnesota Military Museum organize and catalog several important collections, including the Gen. John W. Vessey, Jr., collection and the M.G. Ellard Walsh collection, and assisted with the inventory and organization of the museum's weapons collection.

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### **Sustainability of Programs and Facilities**

**\$125,000**

The Minnesota Historical Society recognizes the critical relationship between sustainability and historical preservation and the importance of environmental stewardship as we preserve our cultural heritage for future generations. For this reason, the Society is studying its level of sustainability, including levels of energy consumption, water usage, waste and resource use. As part of the comprehensive study, data is being collected for the Society's 26 sites and more than 100 historic buildings and modern facilities. The assessment is scheduled for completion in February of 2011, with time in the following months to establish goals and recommendations. The outcome of the study, due in June 2011, will be a report that includes the assessment, goals and strategies for the whole institution, as well as individual sites. This plan will also provide a framework for reducing its environmental impact. The final report will also serve as a lasting tool to continue monitoring progress toward sustainability and to evaluate strategies based on potential environmental impact reductions, cost and complexity.

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### **Technology Enhancements**

**\$626,328**

With the approval of many ACHF projects and partnerships that include a component of enhanced online access to Minnesota Historical Society information and materials, the Society needed to increase the capacity of its technology platform. This funding enabled the Society to purchase servers and equipment to meet the increased demands created by the ACHF programs.

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### **Legacy Volunteer Corps.**

**\$44,820**

Every year, more than 2,300 people volunteer in support of programs and projects delivered by the Minnesota Historical Society. With the addition of more than 100 ACHF-funded projects, the need for volunteers also increased. This funding enabled the Society to recruit, coordinate and supervise volunteers helping with Legacy projects. As of December 2010, nearly 80 new volunteers were recruited, trained and placed, including 10 percent from diverse communities. These volunteers have already donated nearly 900 hours to support new programs.

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## Linking Past, Present and Future

Helping Minnesotans connect to their past, while preserving their future legacy



### Alexander Ramsey House Revitalization

**\$92,476**

The Alexander Ramsey House is an 11,000-square-foot mansion that was home to Minnesota's first territorial governor. The mansion contains approximately 14,000 original furnishings and has one of the most intact collections of Victorian-era artifacts in the Midwest. Despite these assets and a sound public educational program, the site has experienced a steady decline in attendance. ACHF funding is supporting a project to understand the reasons for this decline. The master plan that results from this study will create a new operational model to make the site relevant to 21st-century audiences. This plan will be used to revitalize the Alexander Ramsey House and will be shared with other historic houses across the state and nation.

Alexander Ramsey House, St. Paul.

### Great Rivers Network Portal

**\$130,000**

The Great Rivers Network portal, [www.greatriversnetwork.org](http://www.greatriversnetwork.org), promotes the development, discovery and use of historical collections held by the Minnesota Historical Society and its partners across Minnesota. Through this project, the Society provides support and training to organizations statewide for the preparation of digital collections data, while providing a technical infrastructure that enables access to various collection components, such as photographs, manuscripts, vital record indexes and library catalogs.

### Preserving Language and Culture through Stories— Jeffers Petroglyphs Site

**\$74,113**

Indigenous people have always used stories to preserve and teach culture to each succeeding generation. Through this project, the Minnesota Historical Society will collect, record and interpret stories specific to the Jeffers Petroglyphs site. The stories from tribal elders will be recorded and transcribed in their native language as well as in English, culminating in written interpretations that will be made available to a wide audience of scholars, students and the general public. This project will help preserve and teach indigenous language and culture to Minnesotans as a lasting legacy.

Jeffers Petroglyphs, near Comfrey.



### U.S.-Dakota War of 1862 Sesquicentennial

**\$325,847**

In 2012, the Minnesota Historical Society will commemorate the U.S.-Dakota War of 1862 through a variety of programs and methods, including online presentations, educational tools, published works, artwork, events and community outreach. Online resources will present a collection of oral histories and modern perspectives on Dakota life from Dakota elders. In addition, the Minnesota Historical Society Press (MHS Press)/Borealis Books will acquire stories from the community and research from experts about the history and language of the Dakota, including materials on the war and events leading up to and following it. MHS Press will publish books, journal articles, teachers' guides, language workbooks and other resources to help citizens further understand the complex history of the Dakota in Minnesota.

## Fort Snelling Virtual Tour

\$436,634

The Minnesota Historical Society is collaborating with the Institute for Advanced Technology in the Humanities at the University of Virginia to build four computer models of Fort Snelling that will illustrate the Fort at various points in its history. These models are being incorporated into a web site that will feature map-based and time-specific access to information about the Fort, its history and its significance to Minnesota and American history. The models will be linked to a rich and interrelated set of materials from all parts of the Society's collections, including photographs and manuscripts. The result will be a web experience that will provide a unique educational experience to students as they explore the significance of a dynamic and changing Fort Snelling from 1820 to 1945.

## Restoration of Governors' Portraits

\$45,094

The portraits of Minnesota's governors grace the halls of the Minnesota State Capitol and provide an important legacy of the state's past and present leaders. With funding from the ACHF, 20 portraits were cleaned and are now more secure with the addition of high-quality non-glare/UV filtering plexiglass. Using the original framing, each portrait was retrofitted to accommodate the new plexiglass.

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## Capacity to Support ACHF-Funded Projects

Developing the required capacity to support projects created by the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

## 25-Year Framework and 10-Year Goals

\$14,719

The Minnesota Historical Society, the Minnesota State Arts Board and the Minnesota Humanities Center hosted a series of listening sessions and posted an online survey to obtain public input on how the ACHF funds should be spent. Using this input, a 13-member committee comprised of representatives from the three organizations and 10 other history, arts and cultural organizations and libraries worked together to develop a 10-year plan and 25-year framework for the use of ACHF funds. The final report and key findings from the public meetings are available at <http://www.mnhs.org/achf/index.htm>.

## Administrative Expenses

\$425,689

In order to implement its ACHF projects, the Minnesota Historical Society hired an ACHF Program Coordinator to oversee the program administration. The Society also made investments to support administration of the grants program and to fund expanded financial management and administrative functions. By carefully managing its costs, the Society has adhered to the legislative mandate that institutions not spend more than 2.5 percent on administrative expenses.

## Program Evaluation

\$100,000

To fulfill the expectations of the legislature and the people of Minnesota, the Minnesota Historical Society has engaged Wilder Research and the University of Minnesota Extension Center for Community Vitality to assist in evaluating the outcomes and value of the Society's ACHF investments. This work is enabling the Society to effectively evaluate the outcomes of its ACHF-funded programs and partnerships.







# Statewide History Partnership Projects

To promote the sharing of knowledge and resources among historical organizations, Legacy legislation appropriated funding for projects carried out by history partnerships. During this biennium, this funding has resulted in partnerships between the Minnesota Historical Society and more than 20 other organizations, as well as 30 additional partnerships between other history-minded groups. These history partnerships are helping to extend the reach of the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund across the state.

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*APPROPRIATION LANGUAGE: History Partnerships. \$1,250,000 in 2010 and \$2,750,000 in 2011 are for partnerships between and with the Minnesota Historical Society and partnering organizations to enhance access to Minnesota's history and cultural heritage in all regions of the state.*  
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## Partnerships with the Minnesota Historical Society

### Asian-American Oral History Project

Partner Organization: Council of Asian Pacific Minnesotans

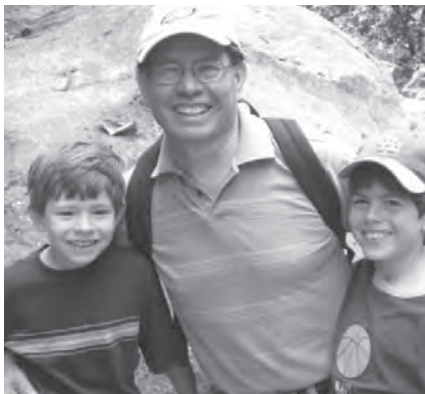
**\$120,000**

During the past 20 years, the Minnesota Historical Society has successfully worked with many immigrant communities in the state to ensure that the stories of their arrival, settlement and adjustment to life in Minnesota become part of our historical record. For this project, 25 oral history interviews were completed with leaders in each of five Asian communities in Minnesota: Cambodian, Korean, Lao, Philippino and Vietnamese. The interviews will be available on the Society's web site (<http://education.mnhs.org/immigration>), which features individuals who comment with authority on the community's composition, challenges, achievements and contribution to Minnesota's cultural landscape.

### Chicano-Latino Oral History Project

Partner Organization: Chicano Latino Affairs Council

**\$175,255**



The Latino population in Minnesota has grown dramatically since 1980, both in the Twin Cities and in Greater Minnesota, in cities such as Worthington, Willmar, St. James, Moorhead, Melrose, Long Prairie and Albert Lea. This project involves interviewing Chicano-Latino elders and community leaders from approximately a dozen Latino population centers in the state. The interviews will be available on the Society's web site (<http://education.mnhs.org/immigration>), providing a baseline for understanding the current composition of Latino populations, their successes and challenges and the evolution of their relations with the broader community. More than 30 interviews were completed and transcription, editing, photo scanning and related activities are underway.

Twin Cities resident Emiliano Chagil, shown here with his sons, was interviewed for the Chicano-Latino Oral History Project. Chagil was born in Guatemala and is now Director of Hispanic/Latino Student Services at Augsburg College.

## Geo-tagging Collections

Partner Organization: Minnesota Geospatial Information Office

**\$170,807**

In partnership with the Minnesota Geospatial Information Office, the Minnesota Historical Society is adding geographical markers to more than 120,000 of the Society's historic photographs. One outcome of this initiative will be the creation of a web experience that will allow students and the public to use "place" as a gateway for discovering other collections materials. This project will complement the Society's online photo collection and will be an access point for viewing other digital collections online.

## Minnesota Main Street Program

Partner Organizations: Preservation Alliance of Minnesota, Department of Employment and Economic Development, University of Minnesota Extension Center for Community Vitality

**\$199,658**



The Minnesota Main Street Program is a comprehensive strategy that helps Minnesota communities preserve historic buildings, while providing training, tools and support for commercial revitalization. ACHF funding has enabled the re-launch of this program. Since the official kick-off on May 1, 2010, four cities have been designated as Minnesota Main Street Communities—Brainerd, Faribault, Red Wing and Willmar—with another 12 registered as associate members. Passage of the state historic structure rehabilitation tax credit in April 2010 offers yet another valuable tool for communities to use as they strive to breathe new life into their historic downtowns. For more on this program, see the story on page 11.

Downtown Red Wing, ca. 1900. Red Wing is one of four Minnesota Main Street Communities.

## History Museum Fellows Program

Partner Organization: University of Minnesota Twin Cities

**\$191,138**

This program, sponsored by the Minnesota Historical Society and the University of Minnesota, provided 10 undergraduate college students with the opportunity to become History Museum Fellows in 2010. The program launched with a semester-long course at the University of Minnesota where the students were introduced to issues related to diversity and museums, followed by a paid summer internship at the Society. The Fellows chose from a wide range of internship positions and also interacted with professionals in the field during a museum study trip to Washington, D.C. The program engaged students in discussions about ways to address the underrepresentation of communities of color and American Indian nations in historical organizations and public history graduate programs. A second group of 12 to 15 Museum Fellows will begin in the spring semester of 2011.

## Library Outreach Programs

Partner Organizations: Minnesota Regional Library System

**\$217,825**

Through this partnership, the state's regional network of more than 370 public libraries is hosting a series of educational programs based on the Minnesota Historical Society's nationally acclaimed "Minnesota's Greatest Generation" exhibit and programs. Since the project launched in 2009, more than 200 programs have been sponsored in every regional library system across the state. For example,



the public library in Aurora held an event entitled, "Minnesota History Morning at the Library: Growing up in the 1930s," which was attended by homeschooled children and their parents. The Spring Grove Public Library hosted an event called the "Golden Age of Radio," in which Prudence Johnson and Dan Chouinard shared their interpretations of classic 1930s and 1940s standards in voice and piano. According to library staff, even the children were scrambling for autographs after the show. "This partnership enables us to provide library patrons access to engaging history programs that aren't available anywhere else in the country," said Mark Ranum, Director of the Plum Creek Library System, Worthington.

Dan Chouinard and Prudence Johnson perform classics from the "Golden Age of Radio."

## Environmental History Study

Partner Organization: Macalester College

**\$16,750**

Through this partnership, students from Macalester College are conducting a study to identify, select and assess historic content related to Minnesota's environmental history, using archival, archaeological and geospatial data at the Minnesota Historical Society. The pilot project is a place-specific case study at the Katharine Ordway Natural History Study Area (KONHSA), located on the bluffs of the Mississippi River in Inver Grove Heights. The material derived from this research will be used in classrooms and at the KONSHA site, to help teach students about environmental history and about the use of historic primary sources in scientific study. One outcome of the pilot is a proposal for a Twin Cities Environmental History Conference with state experts and nationally renowned scientists and historians, setting the stage for a larger project to further explore the confluence of environmental science and Minnesota history.

## American Indian Summer Seminar

Partner Organizations: Minnesota Humanities Center and Tribal Colleges

**\$105,250**

The American Indian Summer Seminar offers a unique educational experience for American Indian students from across Minnesota. The 15 students selected to participate in this intensive three-week residential program will attend classroom presentations and experience hands-on learning about the museum field and other historical and cultural preservation organizations. The students will learn about various career paths and academic requirements for working in these types of organizations, both on and off reservations, as well as particular challenges faced by American Indian communities related to preserving tribal history.

## Building on the Legacy of Conservation Corps

Partner Organization: Conservation Corps of Minnesota

**\$74,525**



The legacy of the last original members of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) in Minnesota is being passed on to today's young members of the Minnesota Conservation Corps (MCC) through interviews with CCC members. Subsequently, the members of the MCC are interpreting the early 1930s history of the Minnesota Forest Service (forerunner to the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources) and sharing the history of the CCC by leading educational programs at the Forest History Center. The MCC members are also conducting 1930s-era construction projects and teaching visitors to the Forest History Center about modern forest management and conservation practices through demonstrations on the Center's 150 acres of forest. CCC programming at Forest History Center, Grand Rapids.

## Neighborhood Leadership Program

Partner Organization: Amherst H. Wilder Foundation

**\$109,725**

The Minnesota Historical Society is partnering with the Amherst H. Wilder Foundation to continue the Neighborhood Leadership Program, an initiative that develops leadership skills of community members to take effective action. Through ACHF funding, the program agenda has been expanded to include sessions integrating historical resources, lessons and visits to the Minnesota History Center, providing participants with greater access and awareness of the Society's resources. Approximately 30 diverse community members from St. Paul participate in the six-month program each year. By participating in history-related programming and discussions hosted by the Society, participants learn about the diverse history of St. Paul and come away with a deeper understanding of their unique roles as they take action to improve their community. For more details on this program, see the story on page 11.

## Expanding Access to American Indian Objects from the Bishop Whipple Collections

Partner Organization: Science Museum of Minnesota

**\$293,234**

The Science Museum of Minnesota and the Minnesota Historical Society each maintain important historical collections of American Indian cultural objects assembled by Bishop Henry Benjamin Whipple. The objects document the changes experienced by the Dakota and Ojibwe in Minnesota in the 19th century. ACHF funds are enabling the Society and Science Museum to fully research, catalog and digitally record the 500 objects in the Whipple collection. The two institutions are also collaborating on a web site that will enable wider audiences to interact with these images and learn stories about this important collection of artifacts.

## Minnesota Conservation Volunteer Magazine Digitization

Partner Organization: Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

**\$54,709**

Through a partnership with the Minnesota DNR, the Minnesota Historical Society is digitizing the full run of the DNR's Minnesota Conservation Volunteer magazine. When the project is completed in summer 2011, all issues of the publication dating back to 1940 — or 28,000 pages — will be available to the public online. Making these publications available online, complete with a searchable online index of the archive, will provide a picture of the gradual evolution of Minnesotans' interest in natural resources and outdoor recreation from the 1940s through the present day. In addition, this project captures changes in public interest in environmental issues and in the resource management policies of the DNR, making that content available to students, scientists, policy makers, journalists and the general public.

## Radiocarbon Dating Project

Partner Organizations: Council for Minnesota Archaeology, Minnesota Archaeological Society

**\$7,735**

Radiocarbon dating is an important technique in modern archaeology since it provides objective information about the calendar age of archaeological objects and sites. Through this partnership, the Society's existing archaeological collections were mined for organic samples suitable for radiocarbon dating. The team submitted 13 samples to a radiocarbon laboratory for processing. The results returned by the lab provide a lasting body of information about cultural components at important archaeological sites in Minnesota. In addition, the use of samples from existing collections—some excavated more than 40 years ago—demonstrates the long-term research value of properly preserved archaeological collections.

## MN90: Minnesota History in 90 Seconds

Partner Organization: Association of Minnesota Public Educational Radio Stations (AMPERS)

**\$75,000**

This partnership project with AMPERS, a network of Independent Public Radio stations across Minnesota, has created a series of 130 radio mini-features, 90 seconds in length. Each episode of MN90 educates listeners about Minnesota history and links an important aspect of our past to current news, events and daily life in an entertaining and informative way. The features are airing on at least 11 AMPERS public radio stations, reaching an estimated 240,000 listeners per week.

## Minnesota History Day and Programming at the State Fair

Partner Organization: Minnesota State Fair Foundation

**\$49,800**



Each year, more than 1.75 million people attend the Minnesota State Fair. In 2010, many of these fairgoers gained better knowledge of Minnesota history thanks to the debut of “Minnesota History Day” on September 5 and a highly visible History Walking Tour of the fairgrounds, with new signage and brochures. Historical information and educational programs were held in Carousel Park, directly across from the Grandstand. More than 40,000 people attended Carousel Park programs and more than 15,000 took part in the historic Walking Tour. In 2011, the Society plans to add a cell phone component to the Walking Tour.

Live music on stage during Minnesota History Day at the State Fair, St. Paul

## Ojibwe People's Dictionary

Partner Organizations: University of Minnesota, Minnesota Digital Library, Minitex

**\$479,481**

The Ojibwe language, like many other indigenous languages, is endangered. Most current speakers are over the age of 65 and probably fewer than a thousand speakers of Ojibwe in the United States learned it as their first language. Through this project, the partners are creating an Ojibwe dictionary that will be accessible online, serving to create a public and scholarly resource that will preserve and revitalize the Ojibwe language in Minnesota. The interactive, multi-media language and cultural heritage dictionary will link the voices of recorded language speakers to digitized images of cultural objects, photographs, maps, sound and visual recordings and documents from the Minnesota Historical Society. For more on this project, see the story on page 14.

## Statewide Traveling Exhibits: “Exhibits To Go”

Partner Organizations: Minnesota Landmark Center, Bakken Museum, Minnesota Humanities Center

The Minnesota Historical Society partnered with three separate organizations to make the following traveling exhibits available to communities across the state. For complete details on these exhibits, see page 78.

- “Uncle Sam’s New Deal,” Minnesota Landmark Center **\$45,009**
- “Electrifying Minnesota,” Bakken Museum **\$20,318**
- Smithsonian Museum on Main Street Exhibits, Minnesota Humanities Center **\$52,080**

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## Partnerships Outside of the Minnesota Historical Society

### Renovation of the Historic Pine River Depot

Heritage Group North, Inc., Pine River Fire Department and Chamber of Commerce

**\$49,649**

Through this partnership, the Historic Pine River Depot has been upgraded as part of an initiative to transform the unused space into a museum. The Depot, which is located on the Pine River Switchyard—the town’s old railroad station—occupies a highly visible area near the center of the community. This project is a part of a larger plan to revitalize the district. The partners used the ACHF funding to upgrade the building with adequate electrical, climate control, fire protection and security systems. Upgrades were also completed to make the building fully accessible. In 2011, Heritage Group North plans to start converting the Depot into a museum, including turning the old freight room into an interpretive center. The project will prepare the facility to properly store museum collections for future generations to enjoy.

### Northfield History Collaborative

Northfield Historical Society, Carleton College, Northfield Public Library,  
Rice County Historical Society and St. Olaf College

**\$43,950**

The Northfield Historical Society spearheaded this project, which includes creating a central web site portal through which historical content from the community of Northfield can be shared with the public. The ACHF funding is being used to establish a governance and financial model for the Northfield History Collaborative, add new partners and continue digitizing and adding content from new and current partners to the Collaborative site. The Collaborative has also expanded its digitizing efforts to include audio and visual media and plans to orchestrate a community rollout of the web site in 2011. This project is one of the first of its kind in the state to make use of the exciting possibilities of electronic access to collections dispersed among a variety of organizations.

### Mitchell Saloon Historic Structure Report

City of Wykoff, Wykoff Historical Society

**\$10,417**

The Mitchell Saloon is a 19th-century commercial building in the National Register of Historic Places. Built in 1876, the Saloon, now called Ed’s Museum, and its annex, the Wykoff Area Schools Museum, are showing signs of fatigue: clapboard siding needs repair, its foundation is crumbling and the windows are in need of attention. While the City of Wykoff owns this building, it doesn’t have the funds to undertake improvements that respect the historical integrity of the building. ACHF funds are enabling the partners to create a report that will guide future work on the building. With a report that details required improvements, a recommended schedule and expected costs, the Wykoff Historical Society will be able to write grant applications and plan fundraising activities to preserve the building for future generations.

### Story of Suburbanization of Anoka and Hennepin Counties

Anoka County Historical Society, Hennepin History Museum

**\$21,060**

Suburbanization has reached nearly all corners of Hennepin and Anoka Counties. The two counties are bound together by the state’s largest school district: Anoka-Hennepin. Working together, the Anoka and Hennepin County Historical Societies are gathering resources located in numerous repositories so that they, and future historians, will have a logical starting place from which to draw information about the suburbanization of Anoka and Hennepin counties.

## “Legacy Letters” Short Films

1000 Friends of Minnesota, Twin Cities Public Television (TPT)

**\$62,000**

Through this partnership, Minnesota history will be made more accessible to thousands of Minnesotans. The “Legacy Letters” project will result in up to 25 one-minute films that draw their content from a sampling of the 150 people, places, organizations, events and natural features of the state as compiled by the Minnesota Historical Society’s MN150 exhibit and book. Currently 22 “Legacy Letters” air between regular programming on TPT’s Minnesota Channel. This additional round of Legacy Letters will expand and deepen the topics covered in the first round of visual essays to include Minnesota’s history, defined by law as a natural resource.

“Legacy Letters’ is a terrific example of using brief, personal messages to support perspectives that don’t often find their way into formal, full-length programs.” ~ Bill Hanley, Executive Vice President, TPT

## Transcription of Ojibwe Footage from “Waasa Inaabida”

Fond du Lac College, Carlton County Historical Society

**\$44,273**

More than 130 Ojibwe tribal leaders were interviewed for the award-winning Waasa Inaabida television documentary series, about the second largest tribe in North America, the Anishinaabe/Ojibwe nation of the upper Great Lakes region. Through this ACHF-funded project, Fond du Lac College, in partnership with the Carlton County Historical Society, will transcribe and catalog the 345 hours of video oral histories, making them available at the two institutions, as well as to a larger audience through online publication.



Gina Lemon, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, at Ottertail Peninsula site, Leech Lake.

## Purchase of Historic Property on Leech Lake

Trust for Public Land, Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe

**\$679,710**

This partnership grant is funding the purchase of a 47-acre property on Ottertail Peninsula, Leech Lake, for preservation and management by the Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe. The site, which has been submitted for status in the National Register of Historic Places, includes several burial sites, a fur trading post and the 1770s remnant of one of the first Ojibwe encampments on what is now the Leech Lake Reservation. Without this funding, the land is at risk of development, which would adversely affect the integrity of the site. The ACHF funds are being matched by substantial private donations to help leverage the state’s funding. For more on this land purchase and its significance, see the story on page 12.

## Digitization of Historic Field Notes

Minnesota Geospatial Information Office (MNGeo), Minnesota Secretary of State, Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDOT), Minnesota Association of County Surveyors (MACS), U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM)

**\$585,000**

General Land Office Field Notes were created for the federal government between 1847 and 1911, prior to opening Minnesota to land sale and to European settlement. These highly detailed descriptions of what the surveyors observed and the measurements they performed are the only comprehensive representation of Minnesota’s landscape prior to development. These notes still serve as the legal foundation for all land ownership in the state, and all property titles ultimately rest on these descriptions. Previously, these valuable notes were only available as paper documents, contained in 758 volumes totaling nearly 250,000 pages. Through this partnership and with ACHF funding, digitization of the entire collection of field notes will assist the public with planning and economic development activities by broadening access via the Internet.



## Historic Context for “Neighborhoods at the Edge of the Walking City”

Historic St. Paul, The St. Paul Heritage Preservation Commission and Ramsey County Historical Society **\$100,460**

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Traditionally, the goal of historic properties surveys is to collect information to make determinations of National Register eligibility or local landmark designation. This ACHF-funded project took that objective a step further. Through its 2010 Saint Paul Survey Project, the partner organizations developed a Historic Context Report for neighborhoods immediately adjacent to the downtown area in targeted areas of the Frogtown, Payne-Phalen and Uppertown neighborhoods. The partners made this information available online, including a database of surveyed properties and PDF files of maps and reports, where it can be used for local planning efforts. The information is providing direction about blocks and properties where preservation should be emphasized and enabling community members to make sound decisions in caring for their properties.

## Interpretive Program about Louise, Hattie and Edith Mayo

It's About Time Theater, The History Center of Olmsted County **\$24,000**

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While many publications exist on the history of the Mayo Clinic and the Mayo Brothers, little research has been done on the mother and wives of the Mayo family. Louise, Hattie and Edith Mayo had a significant influence, not only on the Mayo Clinic, but on the history of Rochester. Through this partnership, the It's About Time Theater will collaborate with the Olmsted County Historical Society to research and develop a historical play to tell this story. The resulting stage production, “Beyond the Gloves,” will reach audiences through live performances in 2011 and also through digital recordings that can be replayed. The research generated through this project will be available to future generations as a starting point for inquiry about these influential women.







# “Our Minnesota” Exhibit

Funding from the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund is enabling the Minnesota Historical Society to develop an extensive, hands-on exhibit, designed to bring the rich cultural tapestry of Minnesota into vivid focus. Visitors to the “Our Minnesota” exhibit in the Minnesota History Center will explore the state’s distinctive places and meet the people who have made their homes here. Opening in late 2012, the exhibit will incorporate a wide range of engaging, interactive, story-driven features, supporting the state history standards and complementing the Northern Lights state history textbook. It will also have traveling exhibits to augment the Minnesota Historical Society’s onsite and distance-learning classroom programs.

“Our Minnesota” is being designed primarily for schoolchildren visiting on field trips and for families with children. The exhibit is at the core of a major institutional initiative to reinvent the field trip for 21st-century learners. The exhibit’s themes and topics, as well as the methods designed to engage students in learning about them, are being developed to meet the needs of teachers who are facing dwindling resources for history education and of students who are coming of age in a time of rapid global and technological change. Private fundraising for “Our Minnesota” is underway with several grant requests pending. Fundraising efforts will continue in earnest until the exhibit opens in late 2012.

See the story on page 6 for more on the “Our Minnesota” exhibit.

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**APPROPRIATION LANGUAGE:** *Minnesota History and Cultural Heritage Exhibit. \$2,500,000 in 2010 is appropriated to the Minnesota Historical Society for an exhibit on the regional, local, and cultural diversity of Minnesota’s history and cultural heritage. These funds are available until expended. These funds are for the creation of both traveling exhibits to be made available to local historical and cultural organizations and an exhibit to be housed at the Minnesota History Center. The Minnesota Historical Society shall raise funds from private sources to augment this appropriation, with a goal of \$1,500,000 in private funds to be raised. This is not a match requirement, but the Minnesota Historical Society shall certify that a good faith effort has been made.*

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# Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites

Having current and accurate data on historic and archaeological sites is important to understanding our past and to preserving Minnesota’s history for future generations. In 2010, the Minnesota Historical Society awarded seven contracts for survey projects:

- Survey of Dakota sacred sites in the Twin Cities metro area
- Identification of prehistoric burial mounds in Scott and Crow Wing Counties using LiDAR (Light Detection & Ranging)
- Archaeological survey of Olmsted County
- Archaeological survey of Swift County
- Archaeological survey of the North Shore in Carlton, Cook, Lake and St. Louis Counties
- Archaeological field survey of southwestern Minnesota to discover sites that hold the state’s earliest cultural history
- Investigation and research of unrecorded historic cemeteries in Minnesota

Representatives of the Minnesota Historical Society, the Office of the State Archaeologist and the Minnesota Indian Affairs Council oversaw these projects.

See the story on page 15 for more on the surveying of historic and archaeological sites.

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**APPROPRIATION LANGUAGE:** *Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites. \$250,000 in 2010 and \$250,000 in 2011 are appropriated to the Minnesota Historical Society for a contract or contracts to be let on a competitive basis to conduct a general statewide survey of Minnesota’s sites of historical, archaeological, and cultural significance. Results of this survey must be published in a searchable form, available to the public on a cost-free basis. The Minnesota Historical Society, the Office of the State Archaeologist, and the Board of Indian Affairs shall each appoint a representative to an oversight board, to select a contractor and direct the conduct of this survey. The oversight board shall consult with the Minnesota Departments of Transportation and Natural Resources. Funds appropriated for this purpose do not cancel and may be carried over from one year to the next.*  
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# Minnesota Digital Library

The Minnesota Digital Library (MDL) is a statewide, multi-institutional initiative to make the rich historical resources of the state’s public and academic libraries, archives, museums and historical societies available to the public via the web and to preserve the resources for future generations. The MDL complements the public access to the book catalogs and indexes to the collections of these institutions currently provided by the MnLINK (Minnesota Library Information Network) Library Gateway and the Electronic Library of Minnesota (ELM).

The ACHF-funded Minnesota Digital Library project is enabling the Minnesota Historical Society to work with key partners, including the University of Minnesota and Minitex, to create a repository for the permanent preservation of important historical materials converted to digital form. The partner organizations are working with a consortium of universities involved in digital preservation to advance the technical, administrative and governance issues of this cooperative venture.

This project is also enabling the Society and its partners to expand support for the Minnesota Reflections web site, [reflections.mndigital.org](http://reflections.mndigital.org), a site developed and maintained by the MDL. Since the funds have been allocated, the number of images and documents that are available on the site has increased by more than 75 percent to 58,000 from 33,000. These files, which can be accessed by the public at no cost, were contributed by more than 115 organizations across the state.

See the story on page 18 for more on the Minnesota Digital Library.

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**APPROPRIATION LANGUAGE:** *Digital Library. \$500,000 in 2010 is appropriated for a digital library project to preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota images, documents, and historic materials. The Minnesota Historical Society shall cooperate with the Minitex system and shall jointly share this appropriation for these purposes.*  
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