



Minnesota History: Building A Legacy

Report to the Governor and the Legislature on Funding for
History Programs and Projects supported by the
Legacy Amendment's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund



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Cover image: The first project of the Legacy-funded partnership of MNHS and the Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps stabilized the 1874 McDougall Barn, near Royalton. In October 2014, Jennifer Sustar (r) and technical specialist Adam Valesano (l) measured and cut replacement boards for the east doors of barn. Photo by Rolf Hagberg.

Letter from MNHS CEO and Director



We are now approaching the seven-year anniversary of Minnesota voters approving the Legacy Amendment and its Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund (ACHF) in November 2008. Since then, the Minnesota Historical Society and our history partners statewide have enjoyed an unprecedented opportunity to preserve and share our state's rich heritage through history programs, partnerships, and grants.

This report describes more than 50 Legacy Amendment-funded history-related programs and partnerships accomplished since January 1, 2014, the second year of the third biennium since the amendment's passage. It also includes descriptions of 302 ACHF Legacy grants amounting to over \$5.27 million awarded in 2014. Minnesota's history community has clearly embraced the possibilities Legacy grant funding affords; over 500 grant applications requesting a total of \$7.77 million were received in 2014.

One of the hopes of the Legacy Amendment was that funds would build capacity in smaller history organizations. Feature stories in this year's report focus on three of many organizations that, thanks to Legacy funding, have been able to improve and enhance their ability to achieve their missions and sustain themselves over time:

- A series of project-based grants to the Afton Historical Society (AHS) over a five-year period has laid the groundwork for AHS to apply for federal funding that will, it is hoped, ensure that thousands of artifacts in its care will survive for another century.
- ACHF grants have allowed a small St. Paul-based nonprofit, Maritime Heritage Minnesota (MHM), to re-establish the discipline of underwater archaeology in Minnesota. Without this support, MHM could not have conducted its groundbreaking nautical archaeological and maritime historical research.
- The Mille Lacs County Historical Society (MLCHS) received a large grant to restore the roof of the Princeton Great Northern Depot, the last surviving example of its kind among railway stations, a community gathering place, and home of the MLCHS' artifacts and archives.

To ensure that we remain excellent stewards of Legacy funds, MNHS and its history partners are in the process of assessing the first five years of Legacy funding; creating a framework for the next five years; and envisioning a strategic agenda for the longer-term impact of the Legacy Fund's grants, programs, and partnerships. You will hear more about this strategic agenda in 2015.

We express sincere and deep appreciation to the Governor, the Legislature, and the people of Minnesota for making all of these opportunities possible. Together, we are creating a meaningful legacy for Minnesota.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "D. Stephen Elliott".

D. Stephen Elliott, Director and CEO

Introduction

On November 4, 2008, Minnesota voters approved the Clean Water, Land and Legacy Amendment to preserve and enhance some of the most important elements of our state. This amendment to the Minnesota Constitution, often referred to as the “Legacy Amendment,” created four funds, one of which is the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund (ACHF).

The Legacy Amendment mandates that a portion of the ACHF be used “to preserve Minnesota’s history and cultural heritage” (Minnesota Constitution, Article XI, Sec. 15). Each January, the Minnesota Historical Society (MNHS) is required to submit an annual report to the governor and legislature detailing expenditures it has made from the ACHF.

This report details all ACHF projects and programs funded through MNHS for January 1–December 31, 2014.

ACHF history projects are benefitting Minnesotans statewide by:

- Preserving our state’s most valuable historical and cultural resources for future generations
- Sharing our state’s stories and treasured resources with ever-growing audiences including students, teachers, scholars, researchers, genealogists and the general public
- Connecting Minnesotans of all ages to each other and to history—history that is becoming more accessible than ever before

Appropriations

The Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund receives 19.75% of overall Legacy funding. In 2013, the legislature appropriated \$27.875 million from the ACHF to MNHS for the two-year period July 2013–June 2015. That appropriation breaks down to \$13.8 million for fiscal year 2014 and \$14.075 million for fiscal year 2015.

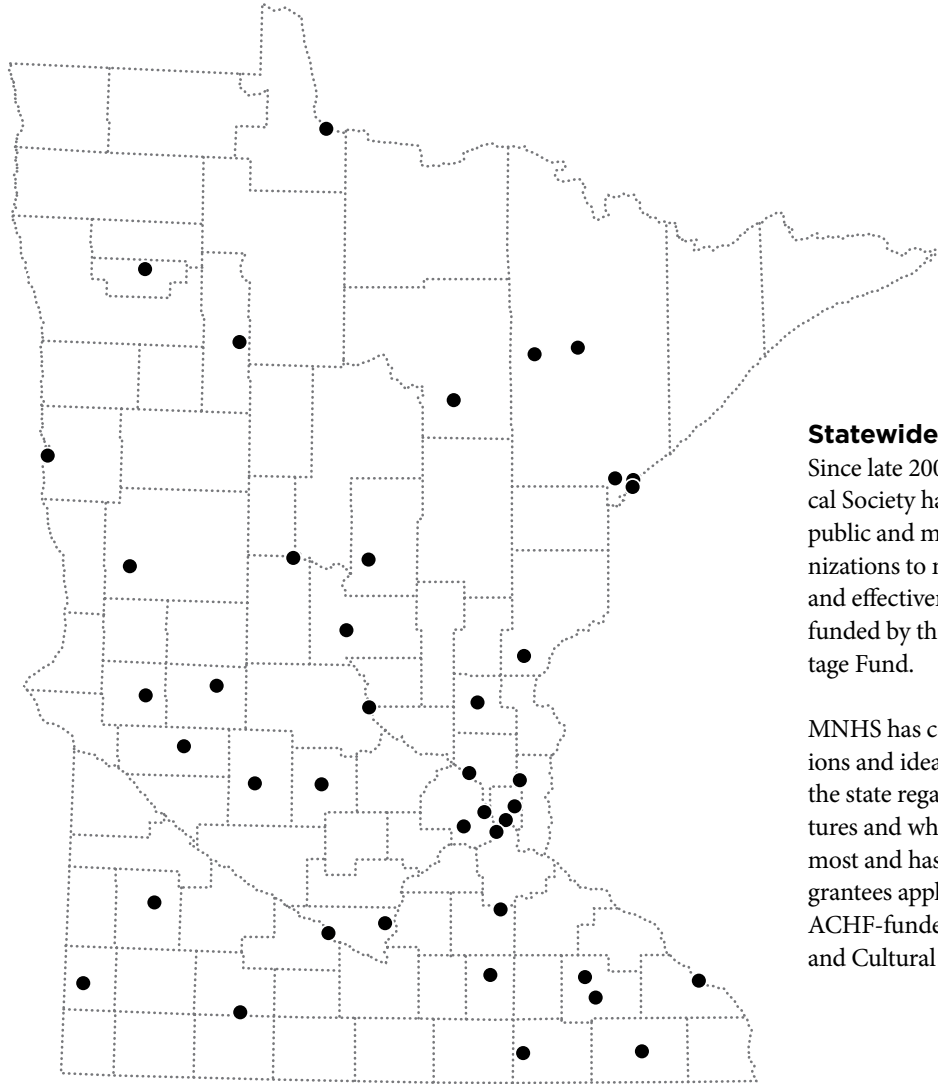
The legislature divided the fiscal year 2014–2015 appropriation to MNHS into the following seven categories:

Category	2014 Appropriation	2015 Appropriation
Statewide Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants	\$5,525,000	\$5,675,000
Statewide History Programs	\$5,525,000	\$5,675,000
Statewide History Partnerships	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites	\$300,000	\$300,000
Minnesota Digital Library	\$300,000	\$300,000
Civil War Commemoration Task Force	\$25,000	—
Civics Programs	\$125,000	\$125,000
Total	\$13,800,000	\$14,075,000

1,500+ grants	All 87 Counties	100% Return on Investment	\$2.57 per person, per year
Grants have been awarded to 625+ organizations across Minnesota through the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program	The Minnesota Historical Society (MNHS) is investing Legacy history funds in all 87 Minnesota counties	For every \$1 of Legacy history funds invested, Minnesota receives a return on investment of \$2, which directly benefits state and local economies ²	Less than the cost of one gallon of milk—that’s how much each Minnesotan pays annually for the programs, partnerships and grants detailed in this report ³

²“An Economic Analysis of Minnesota’s Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund Monies: An Update” prepared by the University of Minnesota Extension Center for Community Vitality, December 2012

³Based on U.S. Census 2013 Minnesota population estimate of 5,420,384



Statewide Outreach

Since late 2008, the Minnesota Historical Society has collaborated with the public and many history-minded organizations to maximize the efficiency and effectiveness of historical projects funded by the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

MNHS has continued to solicit opinions and ideas from citizens around the state regarding history expenditures and where funding is needed most and has also helped potential grantees apply for funding through the ACHF-funded Minnesota Historical and Cultural Grants Program.

To date, MNHS has hosted or participated in 78 statewide events involving more than 3,000 people (some map locations indicate multiple events).

<p>10,000+ Minnesota teachers</p>	<p>500,000+ Minnesota students</p>	<p>3 to 1</p>	<p>56%</p>
<p>Teachers have more tools, training and resources to teach social studies and history thanks to statewide Legacy-funded programs</p>	<p>Students are benefitting from investments in Legacy-funded statewide history programs</p>	<p>Demand for history and cultural heritage funding outweighs available resources 3 to 1⁴</p>	<p>In November 2008, more than half of Minnesotans voted to increase their taxes to preserve Minnesota's legacy, including history and cultural heritage⁵</p>

⁴Based on overall requested amounts for programs, partnerships and grants

⁵Minnesota Legislative Reference Library, State Constitutional Amendments Considered, www.leg.state.mn.us/lrl/mngov/constitutionalamendments.aspx

Historic Resources Advisory Committee (HRAC)

Legislation specifies that the HRAC, a volunteer citizen panel that guides decisions for the ACHF-funded Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program, have balanced statewide membership and include representatives of local, county, and statewide historic and cultural organizations and programs.

It further requires that the HRAC 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.

The Historic Resources Advisory Committee consists of thirteen members serving two-year terms and two ex-officio members. They represent a variety of disciplines and are from diverse areas of the state. The committee roster for 2014:

Leanne Brown, Eden Prairie (Chair)

- Director of development, Carver County Library/Library Foundation
- Formerly, executive director, Carver County Historical Society
- Qualified in grantmaking, history, project management, museum studies

Suzanne Blue, Red Wing

- Entrepreneur
- Community leader
- Qualified in business development, historic preservation, governance

Jack Byers, Minneapolis

- Manager, Minneapolis Community Planning and Economic Development Department (CPED)
- Manages CPED's Preservation and Design Section
- Qualified in historic preservation, architecture, urban geography, planning

Mark Edevold, Bagley

- M.A. Anthropology
- Formerly, executive director, Beltrami County Historical Society and mayor of Bagley
- Qualified in archaeology, construction, facility management

Kristi Link Fernholz, Appleton

- Senior Planner, Upper Minnesota Valley Regional Development Commission
- Active with Minnesota Valley National Scenic Byway
- Qualified in grants management, regional government, graphic arts, and interpretation

Nicole Foss, Bemidji

- M.A. Anthropology/Historical Archaeology
- Formerly, Executive Director, Beltrami County Historical Society, Bemidji, MN
- Qualified in anthropology, historical archaeology, library and museum fields

David Hakensen, Minnetonka

- Manager, Fleishman Hillard
- Qualified in crisis communications, media coaching, mergers and acquisition messaging

Ginny Lackovic, Minneapolis

- Registered Architect, HGA Architects and Engineers
- Involved in restoration work on the Minnesota State Capitol, St. Paul Union Depot, and Pantages Theatre in Minneapolis
- Qualified in historic architecture

Andrea LaVasseur, Bemidji

- M.A. Anthropology
- U.S. Forest Service program manager, retired
- Qualified in anthropology, project management, federal and tribal government

Jan Louwagie, Marshall

- Coordinator, Southwest Minnesota Regional Research Center, Southwest Minnesota State University
- Founding member of Society for the Study of Local and Regional History
- Former member of State Historical Records Advisory Board (SHRAB)
- Qualified in history, archival administration

Ann Meline, Saint Cloud

- Deputy director, Stearns History Museum, St. Cloud
- Formerly, assistant director/public programs, managing exhibits, collections and education departments
- Former grant reviewer for Institute of Museum and Library Services
- Qualified in history, nonprofit and museum administration

Amy Spong, St. Paul

- Historic preservation specialist, City of St. Paul
- Formerly, grants administrator of Colorado State Historical Fund
- Qualified in historic preservation, project management, grant making, local government

Michael Worcester, Cokato

- Director, Cokato Historical Museum and Akerlund Studio
- Formerly, board member of Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums
- Qualified in local history, project management, museum collections care and management

Ex Officio

William Stoeri, Minneapolis
President, MNHS Executive Council

Dean Nelson, Saint Paul
Treasurer, MNHS Executive Council

The Minnesota Historical Society Executive Council

All grant recommendations for the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program are reviewed and approved by the Minnesota Historical Society governing board, the Executive Council.

Below is the list of members who served in calendar year 2014:

Officers:

William R. Stoeri, *President*
Missy Staples Thompson, *First Vice President*
Ruth Huss, *Vice President*
D. Stephen Elliott, *Secretary*
Dean M. Nelson, *Treasurer*

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Suzanne Blue	Charles Mahar
Kurt V. BlueDog	Dennis Nguyen
Robert Bruininks	Elizabeth M. Nordlie
Brenda J. Child	Peter Reis
Judith S. Corson	Peter Reyes Jr.
Michael Farnell	Susan Kenny Stevens
Phyllis Rawls Goff	Karen Wilson Thissen
William D. Green	Ben Vander Kooi
David R. Hakensen	Eleanor Winston
Martha Kaemmer	Warren Zaccaro
Dennis L. Lamkin	

Ex Officio Members:

Mark Dayton, *Governor*
Yvonne Prettner Solon, *Lieutenant Governor*
Mark Ritchie, *Secretary of State*
Lori Swanson, *Attorney General*
Rebecca Otto, *State Auditor*

The Minnesota History Coalition

The Minnesota History Coalition is an advisory group composed of representatives of various history organizations in Minnesota. Using public input and members' expertise, the History Coalition developed recommendations for the legislature on how the FY14-15 ACHF appropriation for history projects and programs could best serve Minnesotans.

Minnesota History Coalition Members:

Council for Minnesota Archaeology
Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums
Minnesota Archaeological Society
Minnesota Association of Museums
Minnesota Digital Library
Minnesota Genealogical Society
Minnesota Historical Society
Minnesota History Advocates for Research
Minnesota State Historical Records Advisory Board
Minnesota's Historic Northwest
Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps
Preservation Alliance of Minnesota

Accountability

The Minnesota Legislature has reiterated the mandate that every project and program supported by the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund report "actual measurable outcomes, and a plan for measuring and evaluating the results."

MNHS staff and partners are now strongly positioned to ensure that ACHF projects and programs use best practices, current scholarship, and when appropriate, incorporate state-of-the-art technology for demonstrating measurable outcomes. During FY14-15, MNHS continued to evaluate the impact of ACHF projects and programs to ensure that they demonstrate measurable outcomes as well as economic value for citizens. These results will be shared on two websites explained below.

Transparency

The Minnesota Historical Society has an obligation to the citizens of Minnesota to ensure that ACHF funds 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, MNHS has assisted in the building of, and has itself built, websites that inform the public about all ACHF initiatives funded through MNHS.

The first, Minnesota's Legacy, www.legacy.leg.mn, was created by the Legislative Coordinating Commission and contains information on all legacy-funded projects. The second website, Minnesota History: Building a Legacy, www.mnhs.org/legacy, is maintained by MNHS and provides more in-depth project descriptions, photos, videos and information on opportunities to participate in history-related ACHF initiatives.

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

Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund History Appropriations Language

Session Law Reference: Laws of Minnesota 2013, Regular Session, chapter 137, article 4, section 2 subdivision 5

Subd. 5. Minnesota
Historical Society. FY2014:
\$13,800,000; FY2015:
\$14,075,000

a. These amounts are appropriated to the governing board of the Minnesota Historical Society to preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's history and its cultural and historical resources. Grant agreements entered into by the Minnesota Historical Society and other recipients of appropriations in this subdivision must 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. Notwithstanding Minnesota Statutes, section 16A.28, for historic preservation projects that improve historic structures, the amounts are available until June 30, 2017. The Minnesota Historical Society or grant recipients of the Minnesota Historical Society using arts and cultural heritage funds

under this subdivision must give consideration to Conservation Corps Minnesota and Northern Bedrock Conservation Corps, or an organization carrying out similar work, for projects with the potential to need historic preservation services.

b. Historical Grants and Programs

1. Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants.

\$5,525,000 the first year and \$5,675,000 the second year are 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 grant process. The Minnesota Historical Society shall administer these funds using established grant mechanisms, with assistance from the advisory committee created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item (ii).

2. Programs. \$5,525,000 the first year and \$5,675,000 the second year are for programs and purposes related to the historical and cultural heritage of the state of Minnesota, conducted by the Minnesota Historical Society.

3. History Partnerships.

\$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the second year are for partnerships involving multiple organizations, which may include the Minnesota Historical Society, to preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's history and cultural heritage in all regions of the state.

4. Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites.

\$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are for a contract or contracts to be awarded on a competitive basis to conduct statewide surveys of Minnesota's sites of historical, archaeological, and cultural significance. Results of the surveys must be published in a searchable form and available to the public on a cost-free basis. The Minnesota Historical Society, the Office of the State Archaeologist, and the Indian Affairs Council shall each appoint a representative to an oversight board to select contractors and direct the conduct of the surveys. The oversight board shall consult with the Departments of Transportation and Natural Resources.

5. Digital Library. \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are for a digital library project to preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota

images, documents, and historical materials. The Minnesota Historical Society shall cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan system and shall jointly share this appropriation for these purposes.

6. Civil War Task Force.

\$25,000 the first year is to the Civil War Task Force for activities that commemorate the sesquicentennial of the American Civil War and the Dakota Conflict, as recommended by the Civil War Commemoration Task Force established in Executive Order 11-15 (2011).

c. Civics Programs.

\$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year are for grants to Kids Voting St. Paul, Learning Law and Democracy Foundation, and YMCA Youth in Government, to conduct civics education programs for the civic and cultural development of Minnesota youth. Civic education is the study of constitutional principles and the democratic foundation of our national, state, and local institutions and the study of political processes and structures of government, grounded in the understanding of constitutional government under the rule of law.

Feature Stories



"Brides Through the Ages" was one of the first "proper" exhibitions done by the Afton Historical Society (AHS), thanks to Legacy funds. Photos courtesy AHS

Building capacity to keep history alive

One of the hopes for the Legacy Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund (ACHF) was that its grants would build capacity in smaller history organizations. "Capacity building" is an important concept in the nonprofit world. It refers to activities that improve and enhance an organization's ability to achieve its mission and sustain itself over time.

This has definitely been the case with the Afton Historical Society (AHS). A series of project-based grants from ACHF has laid the groundwork for AHS to apply for federal funding that will hopefully ensure that thousands of artifacts in its care will survive for another century.

Since 1985, the historical society has operated the Afton Historical Museum,

located in the former Congregational church building (1868) in the Historic Village of Afton. The museum has accumulated about 10,000 artifacts, including textiles, children's toys, books, photography, maps, military artifacts, and original documents but needed help keeping track of them all. When Stan Ross became president of AHS in 2006, he turned to MNHS for advice on what to do so that Afton's

collection could be properly inventoried, stored, and displayed.

To implement MNHS' advice, the Afton Historical Museum received seven small and mid-sized Legacy grants totaling \$72,857 between 2010 and 2014. The series of smaller grants gave AHS volunteers and staff the time they needed to build their capacity to meet professional standards, learn



Photo courtesy Afton Historical Society

Afton Historical Society's popular "Holiday in the Village" Christmas event draws large crowds to the museum.

how to apply for grants, and how to administer grants awarded. Afton Historical Society reached a new capacity level, one where they are comfortable applying for federal grants.

The grants funded creating a collection inventory, upgrading the collections catalog from paper to Past-Perfect Museum Software, entering records into a database, preparing a full catalog description for 823 priority museum artifacts, engaging the services of a museum registrar to provide full access to the catalog to the public, and partial "rehousing"

(proper storage) of the collection to ensure the items will last another 100 years.

An added benefit of the projects is that museum displays, which had remained static for years, will be refreshed regularly, adding to the visitor experience. Good exhibits are supported by proper storage capacity.

"Brides Through the Ages," went on display at AHS this summer as a direct result of the inventory/catalog projects. "We found a series of wedding dresses hidden in the basement, dating

back to the late 1800s," Ross explained. "The exhibit we created was one of our first proper exhibits for the public."

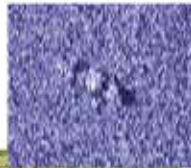
In December 2014, the society submitted a \$150,000 grant request to the Institute for Museum and Library Services. The proposal is for specialized shelving and drawers for the collection, as well as to create the proper environment for preservation: temperature and humidity control, ultraviolet protected windows, and sealed floors. If the museum receives the grant, the improvements will begin in mid-2015 and take six months.



Tony McKeown, the 14 year-old passenger on this Alumacraft Center Console Model R boat, archaeological site 21-HE-448, then and now.



Sonar Image of 21-HE-448



Two Saved From Over-turned Boat

Robert Odell, manager of the All Sports, Inc. at Excelsior, and Tony McKeown, 14-year-old Tonka Bay boy, were saved from drowning in Lake Minnetonka after their outboard motor boat had overturned. Clayton Holden, a member of the Excelsior Fire Department and a boat operator at Excelsior, reached the two in his launch as both Odell and the boy became exhausted in the ice-cold water of Excelsior Bay.

The two were returning from Tonka Bay when the boat overturned. Little Ruth Sampson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Webb Sampson of Excelsior, spotted the boat accident and reported it to Ed Haley at the Excelsior bathhouse. Mr. Haley summoned the Excelsior Fire Department which treated both victims for shock. They revived the boy after working over him for a half hour.

Mr. Odell said that after the boat overturned, the two clung to the boat until it disappeared underwater. Then he supported the boy until the boat surfaced again. Clayt Holden reached the two after the boat had disappeared for the second time.

Images related to underwater archaeology research conducted by Maritime Heritage Minnesota, made possible by Legacy funding.

Legacy funds re-establish underwater archaeology research in Minnesota

ACHF grants have allowed a small St. Paul-based nonprofit, Maritime Heritage Minnesota (MHM), to re-establish the discipline of underwater archaeology in Minnesota. Without this support, MHM could not have conducted its groundbreaking nautical archaeological and maritime historical research.

Underwater archaeology began in the state in 1960 with the Quetico-Superior Underwater Research Project, a 13-year whitewater riverine investigation. The discipline re-emerged between 1989 and 1997, when the Minnesota State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) sponsored maritime historical research of certain wreck sites for National Register of Historic Places consideration.

MHM was established in 2005 by professional nautical archaeologists Ann

Merriman and Christopher Olson to preserve, document, and excavate Minnesota's finite nautical, maritime, and underwater archaeological resources. Merriman and Olson are the only licensed underwater archaeologists working in Minnesota. In MHM's first five years, they conducted small and infrequent archaeological investigations out-of-pocket, with sporadic monetary support from a few donors.

Since 2010, MHM has received support from the ACHF to conduct

important sonar surveys and nautical archaeological projects in Lake Minnetonka, White Bear Lake, Headwaters Mississippi River in Aitkin County, the Minnesota River between St. Paul and Henderson, and Lake Waconia, utilizing the talents of a handful of dedicated diver and non-diver volunteers.

One thousand years of Lake Minnetonka's maritime history

MHM's Legacy-funded projects have facilitated the underwater and ter-

restrial study of nearly 1,000 years of Lake Minnetonka's maritime history, maritime archaeology, and nautical archaeology. Before MHM began this work, there were six recognized wrecks in Lake Minnetonka. MHM's Legacy projects have identified an additional 30 Lake Minnetonka wreck sites. These sites date from 1025 –1989 AD.

Many of the wrecks are associated with significant historical figures, such as railroad magnate James J. Hill, streetcar boat builder and designer Royal Moore, and boat designer and fleet owner Captain John R. Johnson. MHM has also identified 11 other non-wreck sites and hundreds of anomalies yet to be identified on the bottom of Lake Minnetonka.

Aitkin sites documented

MHM has documented various sites in the Aitkin area. The first is the sternwheel steamer *Andy Gibson* wreck site, in the Headwaters Mississippi River. This is a rare example of a partially dry and partially submerged nautical site. The starboard side of the wreck, with an intact deck, is imbedded in the riverbank. The center and port side of the site are underwater during normal and high water conditions. Very few steamer wrecks are known in the Mississippi River and none of them have an intact deck, as does the *Andy Gibson*.

The *Andy Gibson* wreck also rests on a "dry dock cradle" constructed underneath the steamer as a means to prevent her foundering during low water. This cradle is unique in the American maritime archaeological record. These aspects of the site allowed MHM to use Legacy funding to successfully nominate the *Andy Gibson* Wreck Site to the National Register.

Also in Aitkin, MHM located and began documentation of the remains of the Red Mill Wreck, a vessel that may be the steamer *Walter Taylor*. MHM



Andy Gibson wreck site.

has also identified a steamboat crib, two pier sites, one bridge site, and one mill site in Aitkin County.

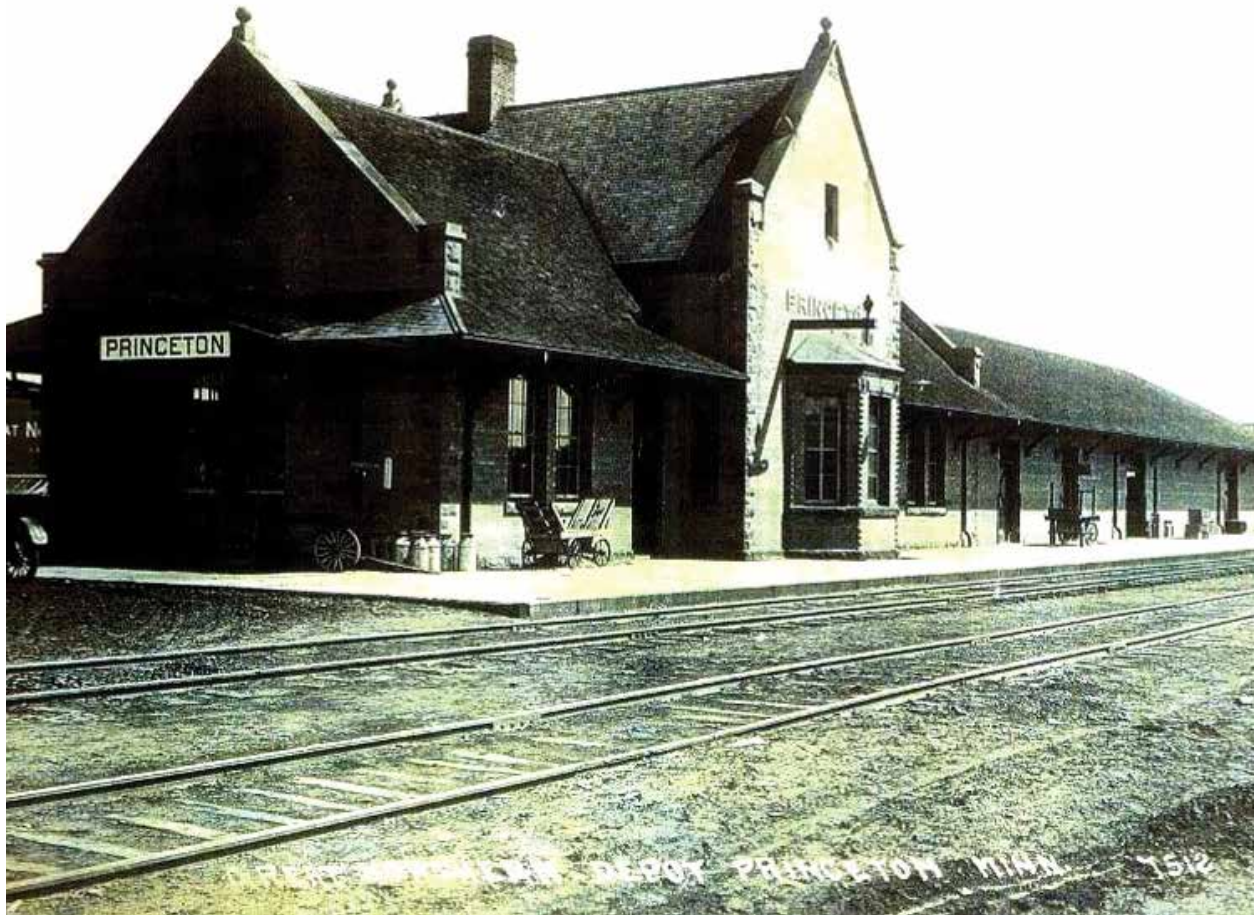
Every archaeological site that MHM has identified, investigated, and documented through Legacy-funded projects are the property of the State of Minnesota, under the jurisdiction of the Office of the State Archaeologist. (Sites

that do not yet qualify as "archaeological" fall under the jurisdiction of the Department of Natural Resources.)

Archaeological sites, both known and yet to be discovered, are physical representations of our shared past. Buoyed by Legacy funding, MHM is honored to be instrumental in locating, documenting, analyzing, and preserving this past.

Additional MHM Legacy-supported projects include:

- Discovering the locations of over three dozen archaeological sites in or along the riverbank of the Minnesota River. MHM designated a swing bridge and levee site that connected Sibley and Scott Counties, part of a lifeline between the Twin Cities and Belle Plaine, as an archaeological site with the Office of the State Archaeologist, a division of the Department of Administration.
- Monitoring the condition of the *USS Essex* in Duluth, the only Navy wreck in Minnesota waters and the last vessel constructed by premier shipbuilder Donald McKay. Using Legacy support, MHM has prepared a detailed preservation plan for this National Register-listed wreck and digitized 62 of the ship's known log books located in the National Archives in Washington, DC, and at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis. The log books are being edited and transcribed in preparation for uploading to the Internet. Fifteen of the books have been completed to date, with two more on the way.
- The Minnesota Dugout Canoe Project received world-wide attention in early 2014. MHM documented and radiocarbon dated eight dugout canoes, the oldest canoe, from Lake Minnetonka, dated from the Woodlands Culture, between the years 1025 and 1165 AD. This canoe joins a group of six others that comprise the oldest known watercraft in Minnesota.



Princeton's 1902 Great Northern Railway depot is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Photo taken July 5, 1912.

Persistence brings assistance for Princeton's Great Northern Depot

Legacy funds are helping preserve the Great Northern Depot, Princeton's major historic building and home to the Mille Lacs County Historical Society (MLCHS).

The brick and stone architectural and historical gem is one of three depots designed in a combination of Dutch and Queen Anne styles by architect J. C. Patterson for the Great Northern Railway about 1902. The other two depots, in Litchfield, MN, and Bellingham, WA, were long gone by the time the Preservation Alliance of Minnesota named the Princeton Great Northern Depot to its Ten Most Endangered List in 2010.

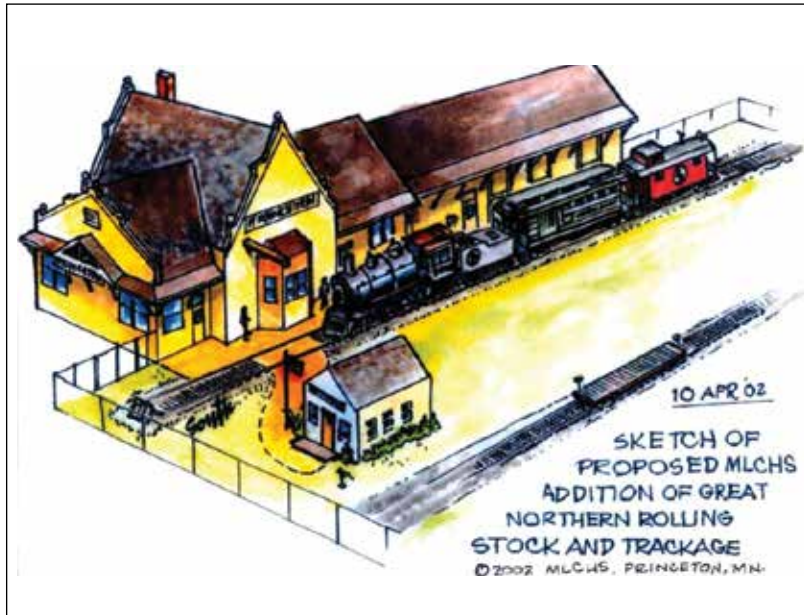
A deteriorating and leaking cedar shake roof (thought to be the third

in the life of the 112-year-old building) was the cause of the Great Northern Depot's perilous state. The depot is the major historic building in Princeton and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. It is owned by MLCHS. All of its archives, newspaper files, microfilm, photos, artifacts, and exhibits are located beneath the compromised roof.

Knowing that the integrity of the roof is key to the building's survival, MLCHS applied for Legacy funds to

replace the roof. MNHS staff recommended that first an architectural assessment be done. A small Legacy grant in 2012 funded the assessment by an architectural firm that outlined specific repairs needed for the roof, all in compliance with the Secretary of the Interior's National Register standards.

Persistence paid off when paperwork was signed in mid-2014 for a \$245,685 Legacy grant that funds the historically correct replacement of the Great Northern Depot's roof.



Photos courtesy of Mille Lacs County Historical Society

Clockwise from top left: Plans for Princeton's Great Northern depot renovation have been germinating for years; Legacy-funded roof restoration work was completed fall 2014; the depot's former freight room is a community gathering place; freight service ended in 1981—this view is from Sept. 1963.

Also included in the project grant was funding to repair brick, stone, mortar and flashing on the building's roof line, along with installation of gutters and downspouts to direct water away from the foundation. The work was completed in fall 2014.

The Great Northern Depot is the oldest public building standing in Princeton. The depot was the transportation hub of the Princeton area until

the 1960s. Passenger service ended in 1952; freight service ended in 1981.

Though railroad days have ended, the depot continues to be an important part of the life of the community. The former freight house of the depot, now called the Great Northern Room, serves as the polling place during elections and is used frequently by the public for meetings and celebrations. The site receives more than 2,500 visitors

each year, from past and present residents to tourists, train enthusiasts to Scout troops, genealogy researchers to summer concert goers.

And the work continues. MLCHS received a second small Legacy grant in 2014: \$5,800 to hire an engineer to evaluate the current heating, ventilating, and air conditioning system, in preparation for more efficient control of the museum's temperature and humidity environment.

Minnesota Historical & Cultural Heritage Grants 2014 Small, Mid-size, and Large Grants



Collecting oral histories of Korean War veterans, Proctor.

The ACHF-funded Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program provides a valuable opportunity for non-profit and educational organizations, government units, and tribal organizations across Minnesota to preserve and share the state's history and cultural heritage.

The Minnesota Historical Society administers the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program and awards grants based on the recommendations of the Historic Resources Advisory Committee.

Through a competitive process, 1,508 grants exceeding \$26.3 million have been awarded to more than 625 history-minded organizations in every county in Minnesota since the Legacy Amendment was passed in 2008.

Since the last report was published in January 2014, more than 300 grants, totaling over \$5.2 million have been awarded in 69 counties to 205 organizations across Minnesota.

Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants are available in three tiers:

- Small or Structured Grants of \$10,000 or less
- Mid-Size Grants between \$10,001 and \$50,000
- Large Grants of more than \$50,000

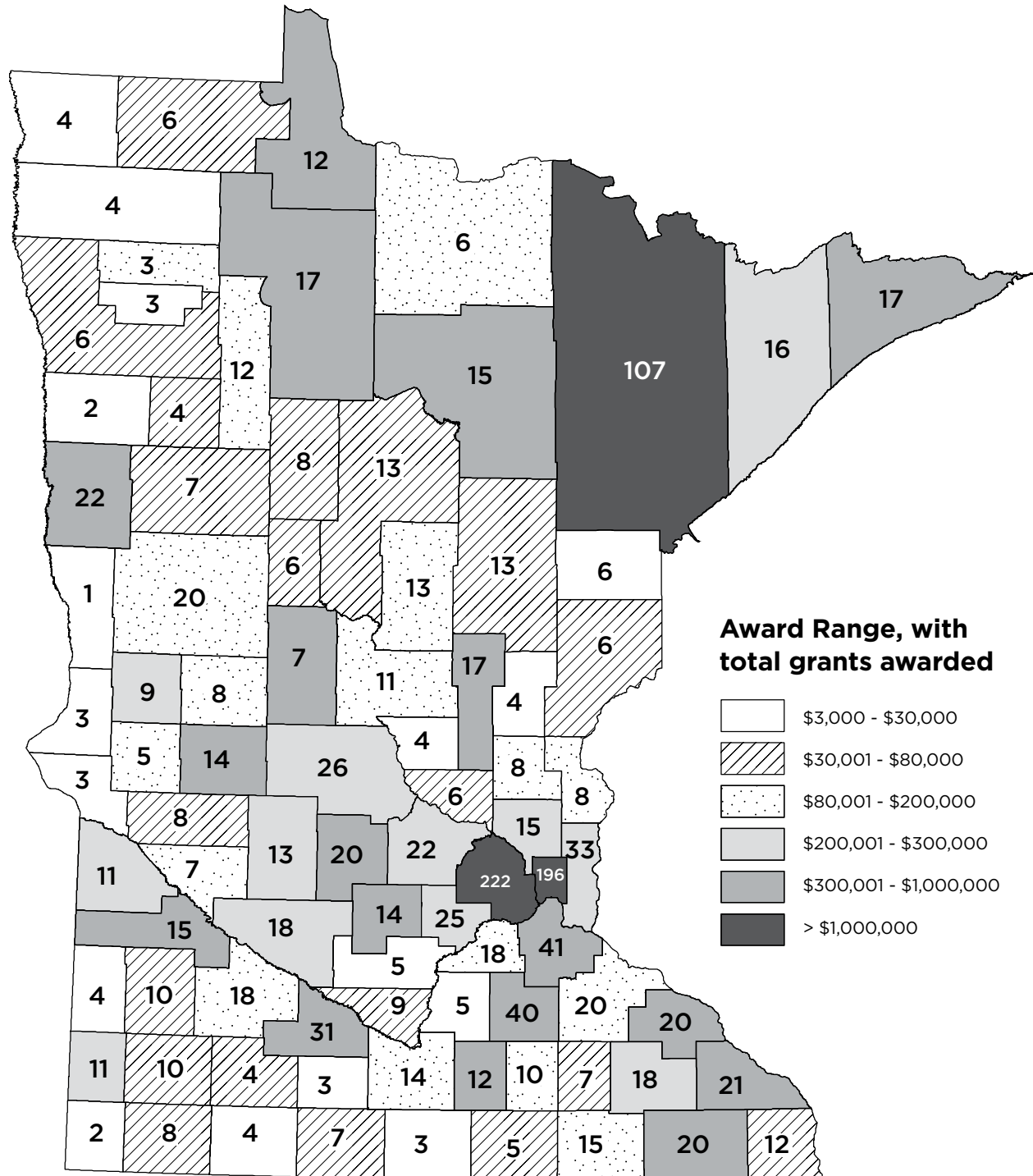
Less than 8 percent of grants funding is used to administer and ensure the success of the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program. The funds allow MNHS to lead statewide grant-writing workshops and webinars, to assist applicants with technical information critical to submitting a successful grant application, and to support recipients throughout the life of their project. To assure transparency and measurable outcomes of projects, grants staff members conduct onsite visits required by the Minnesota Office of Grants Management and, throughout the grant life cycle, monitor the progress of all awarded grants.

All grants awarded between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2014 are listed on pages 15-36. As more grants are awarded throughout the year, information will be available at legacy.mnhs.org.

FY14-15 Appropriations Language: Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants. \$5,525,000 the first year and \$5,675,000 the second year are 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 grant process. The Minnesota Historical Society shall administer these funds using established grant mechanisms, with assistance from the advisory committee created under Laws 2009, chapter 172, article 4, section 2, subdivision 4, paragraph (b), item (ii).

Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants July 1, 2009-Dec. 31, 2014

Amount invested: \$26,335,208
Total grant awarded to date: 1,508*



*Includes cancelled grants

SENATE DISTRICT 01, HOUSE DISTRICT 1A

Roseau County Historical Society, 2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship, \$1,700

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Roseau, Roseau County*

SENATE DISTRICT 01, HOUSE DISTRICT 1B

Polk County Historical Society, \$10,000 Historic Carnegie Building: Restoration Planning

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a conditions assessment of the Crookston Carnegie Public Library, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Crookston, Polk County*

Prairie Skyline Foundation, Inc., \$13,000 Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Stabilization: Conditions Assessment

To hire a qualified architect to prepare a conditions assessment and planning documents for the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, proposed to be used as a community center, and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Crookston, Polk County*

SENATE DISTRICT 02, HOUSE DISTRICT 2A

Minnesota's Historic Northwest, \$9,664 Research and Scriptwriting for Traveling Exhibits

To hire a qualified historian to research and develop materials for traveling exhibits. *Bagley, Clearwater County*

Minnesota's Historic Northwest, \$1,697 Small Museums Tool Kit Book Discussion & Review

To provide professional development opportunities to northwestern Minnesota historical organizations using the Small Museum Toolkit. *Bagley, Clearwater County*

Clearwater County Historical Society, \$37,100 Upgrade HVAC in Museum

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade Clearwater County Historical Society's heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system. *Bagley, Clearwater County*

Helga Township, \$10,000 Nary School Historic Structure Report

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report that will help preserve the Nary Consolidated School, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Helga Township, Hubbard County*

Red Lake Economic Development and Planning, \$7,204

Red Lake Archives Assessment Project

To hire a qualified professional to assess the archival collections held by Red Lake Tribal Archives. *Red Lake, Beltrami County*

Red Lake Economic Development and Planning, \$10,000

Ojibwemowin Advisory Committee Project

To convene an advisory group to determine next steps for promoting and preserving Red Lake history and the Ojibwe language. *Red Lake, Beltrami County*

Clearwater County Historical Society, \$1,783 2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Bagley, Clearwater County*

Depot Preservation Alliance, \$1,475 2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Baudette, Lake of the Woods County*

Clearwater County Historical Society, \$6,375 Exhibit Lighting Evaluation and Redesign

To hire a qualified museum lighting professional to develop a museum lighting plan. *Bagley, Clearwater County*

SENATE DISTRICT 02, HOUSE DISTRICT 2B

Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame, \$5,642 Collections Management Policy and Procedures

To hire a qualified consultant to prepare a collections management policies and procedures document. *Park Rapids, Hubbard County*

SENATE DISTRICT 03, HOUSE DISTRICT 3A

Dorothy Molter Foundation and Museum, \$2,021 Minnesota Museum Structured Bookshelf Grant

To add 52 standard Minnesota museum studies titles to broaden public accessibility. *Ely, St. Louis County*

Dorothy Molter Foundation and Museum, \$9,980 Basic Archives Processing of Dorothy Molter's Personal Papers

To gain intellectual and physical control of archival materials held in public trust. *Ely, St. Louis County*

Koochiching County Historical Society, \$10,000
Acquisition of Microfilm Reader/Printer/Viewer/Scanner System

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records.
International Falls, Koochiching County

St. Cloud State University, \$9,996
Building Chronologies and Collaboration through Archaeological Research in Lake County, MN

To hire a qualified archaeologist to conduct a survey of four archaeological sites to determine dates of earliest human occupation. *Knife Lake, BWCAW, Lake County*

Schroeder Area Historical Society, \$1,116
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Schroeder, Cook County*

Koochiching County Historical Society, \$3,387
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014.
International Falls, Koochiching County

Dorothy Molter Foundation and Museum, \$1,798
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Ely, St. Louis County*

Schroeder Area Historical Society, \$7,375
Stickney Building National Register Evaluation

To hire a qualified historian to write an evaluation to determine eligibility for listing the Stickney Building in the National Register of Historic Places. *Schroeder, Cook County*

SENATE DISTRICT 03, HOUSE DISTRICT 3B

Arts on Superior, \$10,000
Walking Tour Booklets of the Historic Two Harbors Waterfront

To hire qualified professionals to produce a booklet on the history of the Two Harbors waterfront.
Two Harbors, Lake County

City of Two Harbors, \$55,000
Window Restoration of the Carnegie Portion of the Two Harbors Public Library

To hire qualified professionals to repair windows in the Two Harbors Carnegie Library, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Two Harbors, Lake County*

SENATE DISTRICT 04, HOUSE DISTRICT 4A

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, \$6,244
Rehousing the HCS Oversize Collection

To improve collections care and management through proper storage. *Moorhead, Clay County*

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, \$9,800
Survey of Settlement-Era Buildings and Remnants in Clay, Becker and Norman Counties, MN

To hire a qualified archaeologist to conduct a dendrochronology survey of settlement-era log structures in Clay, Norman, and Becker counties.
Moorhead, Clay County

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, \$9,210
Preserving County Newspapers

To microfilm three Clay County newspapers to broaden public accessibility. *Moorhead, Clay County*

City of Moorhead, \$1,440
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Moorhead, Clay County*

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, \$2,306
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Moorhead, Clay County*

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, \$3,277
Acquiring Moorhead Daily News Microfilm

To add 40 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public accessibility to primary records.
Moorhead, Clay County

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County, \$70,720
Clay County Archives Cataloguing
To gain intellectual and physical control of archival materials held in public trust. *Moorhead, Clay County*

SENATE DISTRICT 04, HOUSE DISTRICT 4B

City of Barnesville, \$10,000
Old City Hall Opera House Ceiling Restoration
To hire qualified professionals to repair plaster in the 1899 Barnesville City Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Barnesville, Clay County*

SENATE DISTRICT 05, HOUSE DISTRICT 5A

Beltrami County Historical Society, \$1,402
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship
To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Bemidji, Beltrami County*

Turtle Lake Township, \$10,000
Turtle Lake Township Historic Preservation Site
To hire a qualified archaeologist to conduct a survey of the Buena Vista Townsite. *Bemidji, Beltrami County*

Cass County Historical Society, \$6,500
CCHS Lighting System Evaluation
To hire a qualified museum lighting professional to develop a museum lighting plan. *Walker, Cass County*

Beltrami County Historical Society, \$8,424
Acquire Bemidji Daily Pioneer and Bemidji Pioneer on Microfilm, 1962-1985
To add 104 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public accessibility to primary records. *Bemidji, Beltrami County*

Leech Lake Heritage Sites Program, \$2,227
DNA and Radiocarbon Testing of Bear Remains from Archaeological Site 21BL0305
To conduct DNA and radiocarbon testing to aid in analysis of Archaeological Site 21BL0305. *Cass Lake, Cass County*

City of Bemidji, \$50,000
Bemidji Carnegie Library Rehabilitation: Design Services
To hire a qualified consultant to develop planning documents to help preserve the Bemidji Carnegie Library, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Bemidji, Beltrami County*

SENATE DISTRICT 05, HOUSE DISTRICT 5B

Itasca County Historical Society, \$3,497
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship
To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Grand Rapids, Itasca County*

SENATE DISTRICT 06, HOUSE DISTRICT 6A

Minnesota Discovery Center, \$900
MNopedia Entries: Mesaba Co-op Park and John T. Bernard
To create two Iron Range entries for the MNopedia project for online research. *Chisholm, St. Louis County*

Minnesota Discovery Center, \$8,883
Minnesota Discovery Center's General Assessment and Long-Range Plan
To hire professional conservators to assess historically significant collections and write a long range preservation plan. *Chisholm, St. Louis County*

Minnesota Discovery Center, \$3,460
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship
To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Chisholm, St. Louis County*

Minnesota Discovery Center, \$8,240
Phase Four: Inventory of Exhibits
To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Chisholm, St. Louis County*

Friends of B'nai Abraham Synagogue, \$8,438
Complete Trim on Four Stained Glass Windows and Restore Stairway to Balcony
To hire qualified professionals to restore portions of the interior window trim and balcony of B'nai Abraham Synagogue, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Virginia, St. Louis County*

SENATE DISTRICT 07, HOUSE DISTRICT 7A

City of Duluth-Planning Division, \$8,200
J. J. Astor Park Phase I Archaeological Survey
To hire a qualified archaeologist to conduct a survey of J. J. Astor Park, Duluth. *Duluth, St. Louis County*

SENATE DISTRICT 07, HOUSE DISTRICT 7B

Duluth Public Library, \$7,000**Digital Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner**

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records.

Duluth, St. Louis County

Safe Haven Shelter and Resource Center, \$5,000**Safe Haven Oral History Project**

To document in 10 oral history interviews the history of battered women's services and shelter in Duluth.

Duluth, St. Louis County

City of Duluth, \$365,380**Sacred Heart Cathedral (Music Center): Roof and Tower Restoration**

To hire qualified professionals to replace the roof on the former Sacred Heart Cathedral, now Sacred Heart Music Center, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Duluth, St. Louis County*

SENATE DISTRICT 08, HOUSE DISTRICT 8A

Otter Tail County Historical Society, \$900**Fergus Falls State Hospital Script Research**

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of the Fergus Falls State Hospital (Kirkbride). *Fergus Falls, Otter Tail County*

Otter Tail County Historical Society, \$1,000**2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Fergus Falls, Otter Tail County*

SENATE DISTRICT 09, HOUSE DISTRICT 9A

Wadena County Historical Society, \$10,000**Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner**

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Wadena, Wadena County*

SENATE DISTRICT 09, HOUSE DISTRICT 9B

Minnesota Military Museum, \$1,873**2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Little Falls, Morrison County*

Todd County Historical Society, \$2,045**2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Long Prairie, Todd County*

Morrison County Historical Society, \$1,361**2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Little Falls, Morrison County*

SENATE DISTRICT 10, HOUSE DISTRICT 10A

Crow Wing County, \$16,050**Crow Wing County Jail and Sheriff's Residence (Historical Museum and Research Library)****Rehabilitation: Architectural Services**

To hire a qualified consultant to develop design guidelines that will help preserve the Crow Wing County Jail and Sheriff's Residence, now used as the Crow Wing County Historical Society's museum facility, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Brainerd, Crow Wing County*

SENATE DISTRICT 10, HOUSE DISTRICT 10B

Aitkin County Historical Society, \$5,325**Aitkin Iron Furnace Ruins Geophysical Survey**

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the eligibility of archaeological ruins for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Aitkin, Aitkin County

SENATE DISTRICT 11, HOUSE DISTRICT 11B

Pine City Library Foundation, \$415**2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Pine City, Pine County*

Audubon Center of the North Woods, \$9,500**Schwyzler Lodge Beam and Joist Repair**

To hire qualified professionals to repair joists and beams on the Schwyzler Lodge, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Sandstone, Pine County*

Pine County Historical Society, \$9,750

Collections Inventory Preparation

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Askov, Pine County*

SENATE DISTRICT 12, HOUSE DISTRICT 12A

Stevens County Historical Society, \$8,350

Men and Women of the Land Research and Script Writing

To hire qualified professionals to research and write an exhibit script on the history of Stevens County residents. *Morris, Stevens County*

Kensington Area Heritage Society, \$9,000

Kensington Area Heritage Society

HVAC Evaluation

To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate the current system in preparation for better control of the Kensington Area Heritage Society museum environment. *Kensington, Douglas County*

Stevens County Historical Society, \$3,249

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Morris, Stevens County*

SENATE DISTRICT 12, HOUSE DISTRICT 12B

Pope County Historical Society, \$3,547

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Glenwood, Pope County*

Pope County Historical Society, \$8,250

Extension of Collection Management Software for Minnesota History Organizations

To hire qualified technicians to implement a pilot program for a new collections database. *Glenwood, Pope County*

Pope County Historical Society, \$6,170

Pope County 150 Observance Planning

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of Pope County for the upcoming 150th anniversary in 2016. *Glenwood, Pope County*

SENATE DISTRICT 13, HOUSE DISTRICT 13A

Sisters of the Order of Saint Benedict, \$460

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *St. Joseph, Stearns County*

Saint John's University, \$10,000

Writing Local History: A Seminar

To provide professional development opportunities to central Minnesota writers interested in writing about local history. *Collegeville, Stearns County*

SENATE DISTRICT 14, HOUSE DISTRICT 14A

Stearns History Museum and Research Center,

\$74,868

3D Collections Inventory

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *St. Cloud, Stearns County*

SENATE DISTRICT 14, HOUSE DISTRICT 14B

St. Cloud State University, \$575

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *St. Cloud, Stearns County*

City of St. Cloud, \$575

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *St. Cloud, Stearns County*

SENATE DISTRICT 15, HOUSE DISTRICT 15A

Mille Lacs County Historical Society, \$5,800

Great Northern Depot HVAC System Evaluation

To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate the current system in preparation for better control of the Mille Lacs County Historical Society museum environment. *Princeton, Mille Lacs County*

Milaca Area Historical Society, \$9,000

Milaca Museum Conditions Assessment

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a conditions assessment of the Milaca City Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Milaca, Mille Lacs County*

Milaca Area Historical Society, \$675

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Milaca, Mille Lacs County*

Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, \$9,694

Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Archives Mold Remediation

To provide appropriate mold remediation for collections items. *Onamia, Mille Lacs County*

SENATE DISTRICT 15, HOUSE DISTRICT 15B

Sherburne County Historical Society, \$550

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Becker, Sherburne County*

SENATE DISTRICT 16, HOUSE DISTRICT 16A

City of Canby, \$10,000

Historic Canby Theatre Marquee Restoration

To hire qualified professionals to repair the marquee on the historic Canby Theatre, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Canby, Yellow Medicine County*

Yellow Medicine County Historical Society, \$3,474

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Granite Falls, Yellow Medicine County*

City of Canby, \$30,000

Canby Theatre Historic Structure Report

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report that will help preserve the Canby Theatre, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Canby, Yellow Medicine County*

Lyon County Historical Society, \$9,385

Acquisition of Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Marshall, Lyon County*

Lyon County Historical Society, \$2,718

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Marshall, Lyon County*

Lac qui Parle County Historical Society, \$3,465

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Madison, Lac qui Parle County*

City of Canby, \$9,385

Acquisition of Microfilm Reader/Printer

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Canby, Yellow Medicine County*

SENATE DISTRICT 16, HOUSE DISTRICT 16B

Brown County Historical Society, \$10,000

Acquisition of Microfilm Reader/Printer

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *New Ulm, Brown County*

Brown County, \$148,101

HVAC System Update: Phase I

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade Brown County Historical Society's heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system. *New Ulm, Brown County*

New Ulm Public Library, \$9,405

New Ulm Journal Microfilm Acquisition

To add 104 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public accessibility to primary records. *New Ulm, Brown County*

Brown County Historical Society, \$9,130

WWI Brown County and the First Amendment

To hire a qualified consultant to research World War I in Brown County for a future exhibit. *New Ulm, Brown County*

Minnesota German-Bohemian

Heritage Society, \$9,500

The Persistence of German Bohemian Culture in Brown County

To document in 12 oral history interviews the history of German Bohemians in Brown County, Minnesota. *New Ulm, Brown County*

New Ulm Battery, Inc, \$9,500
History of the New Ulm Battery

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of the New Ulm Battery since 1863. *New Ulm, Brown County*

Brown County, \$9,760
Windows Restoration/Preservation Study

To hire a qualified consultant to conduct an architectural study of the windows in the Brown County Historical Society building, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *New Ulm, Brown County*

Redwood Falls Public Library, \$9,234
Acquire Primary Resources
On Microfilm Phase 5

To add 111 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public accessibility to primary records. *Redwood Falls, Redwood County*

Redwood County Historical Society, \$1,795
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Redwood Falls, Redwood County*

Redwood Falls Public Library, \$1,326
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Redwood Falls, Redwood County*

Lower Sioux Indian Community, \$10,000
Cultural and Medicinal Plants of the Lower Sioux Indian Community in Southwestern Minnesota

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of cultural and medicinal plants specific to the Lower Sioux Indian Community in southwestern Minnesota. *Redwood County and Renville County*

SENATE DISTRICT 17, HOUSE DISTRICT 17A

Sacred Heart Area Historical Society, \$3,027
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Sacred Heart, Renville County*

Chippewa County Historical Society, \$10,000
Installation of Alarm System at Historic Chippewa City

To install a security system in order to protect the collections from theft. *Montevideo, Chippewa County*

Hector Historical Center, \$3,547
Collections Inventory

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Hector, Renville County*

Chippewa County (Montevideo Public Library), \$5,775
Microfilm Chippewa County Newspapers

To microfilm Chippewa County newspapers to broaden public accessibility. *Montevideo, Chippewa County*

SENATE DISTRICT 17, HOUSE DISTRICT 17B

Kandiyohi County Historical Society, \$2,130
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Willmar, Kandiyohi County*

Kandiyohi County Historical Society, \$9,095
Oral History of Downtown Willmar

To document in seven oral history interviews the history of downtown Willmar residents and businesses. *Willmar, Kandiyohi County*

Kandiyohi County Historical Society, \$6,150
Microfilm Kandiyohi County Township Records

To microfilm township records for eight Kandiyohi County townships to broaden public accessibility to primary records. *Willmar, Kandiyohi County*

SENATE DISTRICT 18, HOUSE DISTRICT 18A

Cokato Historical Society, \$8,000
Akerlund Glass Plate Scanning, Phase VII

To digitize part of a large collection of glass plate negatives in order to broaden public accessibility. *Cokato, Wright County*

Meeker County Historical Society, \$575
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Litchfield, Meeker County*

McLeod County Historical Society, \$3,100
Dugout Canoe Preservation and Stabilization Grant

To hire a qualified professional to construct an appropriate support for a significant collections piece.
Hutchinson, McLeod County

City of Litchfield, \$750
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Litchfield, Meeker County*

McLeod County Historical Society, \$83,000
HVAC and Building Systems Peer Review and Architectural Engineering Design Plan

To hire qualified technicians to assess McLeod County Historical Society's heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system. *Hutchinson, McLeod County*

City of Litchfield, \$124,500
G.A.R Hall Masonry Restoration

To hire qualified professionals to repair masonry on the G.A.R. (Grand Army of the Republic) Hall, now part of the Meeker County Historical Society's museum facilities, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Litchfield, Meeker County*

SENATE DISTRICT 18, HOUSE DISTRICT 18B

Hutchinson Public Library, \$7,385
Acquisition of Microfilm Reader/Printer System

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Hutchinson, McLeod County*

Historic Hutchinson, \$15,000
**Historic Structure Report:
Harrington Merrill House**

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report that will help preserve the Harrington Merrill House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Hutchinson, McLeod County*

City of Gaylord, \$7,500
Developing Gaylord's Historic Preservation Ordinance

To hire a qualified consultant to create a historic preservation ordinance for the City of Gaylord. *Gaylord, Sibley County*

SENATE DISTRICT 19, HOUSE DISTRICT 19A

Nicollet County Historical Society, \$1,357
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *St. Peter, Nicollet County*

SENATE DISTRICT 19, HOUSE DISTRICT 19B

**Minnesota State University, Mankato-
Department of Anthropology, \$9,995**
National Register Evaluation and Archeological Interpretation of the Nelson Site (21BE24)

To hire qualified project personnel to evaluate the Nelson Site, a Late Woodland archaeological site, for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. *Mankato, Blue Earth County*

Blue Earth County Historical Society, \$865
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Mankato, Blue Earth County*

**Children's Museum of
Southern Minnesota, \$33,664**
**Development and Design of Children's Exhibits
on Dakota Culture and History**

To hire consultants to develop an exhibit on Dakota culture and history. *Mankato, Blue Earth County*

SENATE DISTRICT 20, HOUSE DISTRICT 20A

City of New Prague, \$10,000
**Historic Downtown New Prague
Reconnaissance Survey**

To hire a qualified consultant to conduct a survey of historic structures in downtown New Prague. *New Prague, Le Sueur County*

SENATE DISTRICT 20, HOUSE DISTRICT 20B

Northfield Historical Society, \$700
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Northfield, Rice County*

Northfield Historical Society, \$9,810
Conceptual Space Use Plan and Exhibit
Redesign Planning Document

To hire a qualified consultant to write an exhibit plan for Northfield Historical Society.
Northfield, Rice County

Carleton College, \$9,870
Research for a History of the Carleton College
Chapel and Chaplaincy

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of the Carleton College Chapel and Chaplaincy. *Northfield, Rice County*

City of Northfield (Northfield Hospital and
Clinics), \$9,917
History of the Northfield City Hospital,
1910-2010

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of the Northfield City Hospital.
Northfield, Rice County

Carleton College, \$9,684
The Presidency of John Nason at Carleton
College 1962-1970

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of Carleton's fifth president.
Northfield, Rice County

Northfield Historical Society, \$9,735
General Archives Data Entry Improvement

To gain intellectual and physical control of archival materials held in public trust.
Northfield, Rice County

Northfield Historical Society, \$5,600
HVAC evaluation

To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate the current system in preparation for better control of the Northfield Historical Society museum environment. *Northfield, Rice County*

Independent School District #659, \$9,994
A History of the Northfield Public Schools
1855-2010

To hire qualified professionals to produce a manuscript on the history of Northfield Public Schools, 1855-2010.
Northfield, Rice County

SENATE DISTRICT 21, HOUSE DISTRICT 21A

Florence Township, \$10,000
Florence Town Hall Reroofing

To hire qualified professionals to replace the roof on the Florence Town Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Frontenac Station, Goodhue County*

Goodhue County Historical Society, \$22,962
Phil Revoir Collection Cataloging and
Rehousing Project

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Red Wing, Goodhue County*

Wabasha County Historical Society, \$8,993
Shelving and Archival Storage Products for
Rehousing Collections

To improve collections care and management through proper storage. *Lake City, Wabasha County*

Goodhue County Historical Society, \$10,000
Goodhue County Historical Society Microfilm
Reader Acquisition

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Red Wing, Goodhue County*

National Eagle Center, \$9,950
National Eagle Center: Interpretive Exhibit Plan
for Permanent Upper Mississippi River National
Wildlife and Fish Refuge Exhibit

To hire a qualified consultant to write an exhibit plan for the National Eagle Center. *Wabasha, Wabasha County*

City of Lake City, \$10,000
South Oak Street Local Historic District
Nomination

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination for a local historic district along South Oak Street in Lake City. *Lake City, Wabasha County*

City of Wabasha, \$1,525
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Wabasha, Wabasha County*

Goodhue County Historical Society, \$679

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Red Wing, Goodhue County*

**Prairie Island Indian Community (PIIC), \$10,000
Geophysical and Archaeological Assessment of the PIIC Burial Mound Group**

To hire a qualified consultant to conduct an archaeological survey of burial mound groups on the PIIC reservation. *Welch, Goodhue County*

City of Red Wing, \$9,498

Red Wing Fire Department Ahrens-Fox Fire Apparatus Preservation

To hire qualified conservators to restore a significant historical fire engine. *Red Wing, Goodhue County*

City of Lake City, \$465

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Lake City, Wabasha County*

SENATE DISTRICT 21, HOUSE DISTRICT 21B

City of Plainview, \$2,290

Pioneer Peace Corps Marker

To design, produce, and install a historical marker on the First Peace Corps volunteers from the City of Plainview. *Plainview, Wabasha County*

City of Plainview, \$7,105

Civil War 150 Historical Markers

To design, produce, and install historical markers in the City of Plainview to commemorate the Civil War. *Plainview, Wabasha County*

Friends of St. Rose, Inc., \$8,800

Church of St. Rose of Lima Historic Building Conditions Assessment

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a conditions assessment of the Church of St. Rose of Lima (Kenyon), listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Kenyon, Goodhue County*

SENATE DISTRICT 22, HOUSE DISTRICT 22A

Murray County, \$1,487

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Slayton, Murray County*

Murray County Historical Society, \$2,202

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Slayton, Murray County*

Murray County Historical Society, \$9,560

Murray County Museum Photograph Collection Cataloging Project

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Slayton, Murray County*

Pipestone County Historical Society, \$10,000

Historic Pipestone Masonic Temple Reuse Study

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare planning documents that will help preserve the Pipestone Masonic Temple (Ferris Grand Block), listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Pipestone, Pipestone County*

Murray County Historical Society, \$6,671

Preservation Assessment and Long Range Conservation Plan

To hire professional conservators to assess historically significant collections and write a long range preservation plan. *Slayton, Murray County*

Pipestone County Historical Society, \$122,627

Old City Hall Rehabilitation, Phase III

To hire qualified professionals to replace the roof and rehabilitate the windows on the Pipestone City Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Pipestone, Pipestone County*

Pipestone County Historical Society, \$2,178

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Pipestone, Pipestone County*

SENATE DISTRICT 22, HOUSE DISTRICT 22B

**Nobles County Historical Society, \$9,760
Nobles County Pioneer Village Inventory &
Assessment Phase 2**

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Worthington, Nobles County*

**Jackson County Historical Society, \$8,006
Jackson County Newspaper Microfilming**

To microfilm newspapers from Jackson, Pipestone, and Ramsey Counties to broaden public accessibility. *Lakefield, Jackson County*

**Jackson County Historical Society, \$10,000
Acquisition of Microfilm Reader/Printer**

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Lakefield, Jackson County*

**Nobles County Historical Society, \$9,600
Nobles County Pioneer Village Inventory &
Assessment 2014**

To hire qualified professionals to begin a collections inventory of specified buildings in the historical society's Pioneer Village. *Worthington, Nobles County*

**Nobles County Historical Society, \$8,500
National Register Nomination for Two Properties
in Nobles County**

To hire a qualified historian to complete nominations to the National Register of Historic Places for the Nobles County War Memorial Building and the Worthington Chautauqua Park Band Shell. *Worthington, Nobles County*

SENATE DISTRICT 23, HOUSE DISTRICT 23A

**Truman Historical Association, \$7,885
Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner**

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Truman, Martin County*

**Martin County Historical Society, \$10,000
MCHS Smoke Alarm Improvement Project**

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade Martin County Historical Society's smoke detector system. *Fairmont, Martin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 23, HOUSE DISTRICT 23B

**Watonwan County Historical Society, \$9,385
Acquisition of Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner**

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Madelia, Watonwan County*

SENATE DISTRICT 24, HOUSE DISTRICT 24A

**Waseca County Historical Society, \$9,640
Implementation of Timeline Exhibit Panels**

To hire consultants to develop and install an exhibit on Waseca County history. *Waseca, Waseca County*

**Steele County Historical Society, \$9,457
Museum of Professions Collection Management**

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Owatonna, Steele County*

**Steele County Historical Society, \$9,755
Textile Collection Cataloging and Record Update**

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Owatonna, Steele County*

**Waseca County Historical Society, \$119,208
Waseca County Historical Society: Design,
Fabrication, and Installation of Timeline Exhibits**

To hire consultants to develop and install a timeline exhibit in Waseca County. *Waseca, Waseca County*

**Waseca County Historical Society, \$5,900
National Register Nomination: Hofmann Farm
and Apiaries, Waseca**

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for Hofmann Farm and Apiaries. *Waseca, Waseca County*

SENATE DISTRICT 24, HOUSE DISTRICT 24B

**Rice County Historical Society, \$602
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Faribault, Rice County*

**City of Morristown, \$3,900
Historic Property Evaluation of the Morristown
Mill and Millrace**

To hire a qualified consultant to evaluate the Morristown Mill and Millrace for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. *Morristown, Rice County*

Rice County Historical Society, \$7,055
Early Rice County Newspapers on Microfilm

To add 76 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public accessibility to primary records. *Faribault, Rice County*

SENATE DISTRICT 25, HOUSE DISTRICT 25A

Dodge County, \$10,000

Wasioja Ruins: Conditions Assessment and Treatment Plan

To hire qualified professionals to conduct a conditions assessment of the Wasioja Seminary, a contributing part of the Wasioja Historic District listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Mantorville, Dodge County*

Dodge County Historical Society, \$5,000
Wasioja Recruiting Station Condition Assessment and Treatment Plan

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of Wasioja Recruiting Station, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Mantorville, Dodge County*

Mantorville Restoration Association, \$1,455
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Mantorville, Dodge County*

SENATE DISTRICT 26, HOUSE DISTRICT 26A

Olmsted County Historical Society, \$9,997
American Indian Exhibition Research and Planning

To hire a qualified consultant to develop an exhibit on the history of the American Indian in Olmsted County. *Rochester, Olmsted County*

SENATE DISTRICT 27, HOUSE DISTRICT 27B

Hormel Historic Home, \$1,586
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Austin, Mower County*

Mower County Historical Society, \$9,934
Acquisition of Mower County Newspapers on Microfilm - Phase 2

To add 122 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public accessibility to primary records. *Austin, Mower County*

Mower County Historical Society, \$2,172
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Austin, Mower County*

Mower County Historical Society, \$10,000
World War II in Mower County Exhibit - Implementation Phase

To install an exhibit on the impact of World War II on Mower County residents. *Austin, Mower County*

SENATE DISTRICT 28, HOUSE DISTRICT 28A

Winona County Historical Society, \$2,763
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Winona, Winona County*

Polish Cultural Institute, \$9,985
Collections Inventory: Phase 4

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Winona, Winona County*

Polish Cultural Institute, \$2,960
Re-House and Support Identified At-Risk Collections Items

To improve collections care and management through proper storage. *Winona, Winona County*

City of Winona, \$1,165
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Winona, Winona County*

City of Winona, \$1,165
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Winona, Winona County*

Polish Cultural Institute, \$9,800

Inventory of Museum Collections

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Winona, Winona County*

Winona County Historical Society, \$7,131

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm

To add 82 rolls of microfilmed newspapers and Alien Registration and Declaration of Holding Forms to broaden public accessibility to primary records. *Winona, Winona County*

SENATE DISTRICT 28, HOUSE DISTRICT 28B

Giants of the Earth Heritage Center, \$10,000

Exhibit Production: Settling Spring Grove

To hire consultants to develop and install an exhibit on the founding of two communities in Houston County. *Spring Grove, Houston County*

City of Lanesboro, \$40,000

**Preserving Iconic Heimbygda Lodge:
Design Phase**

To hire a qualified consultant to develop planning documents that will help preserve the Bethlehem Lutheran Church Hall, now Sons of Norway Heimbygda Lodge, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Lanesboro, Fillmore County*

**Lanesboro Historical Preservation Association,
\$10,000**

**Where is Grandpa's "Jolly Aces" Recording?:
Collection Inventory**

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Lanesboro, Fillmore County*

City of Lanesboro, \$10,000

Heimbygda Lodge Historical Building Project

To hire a contractor to repair the front entry and ADA ramp on the Heimbygda Lodge, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Lanesboro, Fillmore County*

City of Hokah, \$9,385

Library Digital Microfilm Reader/Printer

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Hokah, Houston County*

City of Hokah, \$2,690

Microfilmed Newspaper Collection

To add 33 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public accessibility to primary records. *Hokah, Houston County*

Houston County Historical Society, \$9,385

Library Digital Microfilm Reader/Printer

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Caledonia, Houston County*

City of Hokah, \$10,000

**Hokah Municipal Building (City Hall) Conditions
Assessment**

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a conditions assessment of the Hokah Municipal Building, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Hokah, Houston County*

SENATE DISTRICT 29, HOUSE DISTRICT 29A

Rockford Area Historical Society, \$6,000

**Shorthand Language Translation of the Florence
Stork Diaries and Letters**

To hire qualified professionals to produce a translation of Florence Stork's shorthand language diaries and letters. *Rockford, Hennepin County*

City of Rockford, \$930

2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Rockford, Wright County*

City of Howard Lake, \$34,000

**Rehabilitation of Historic City Hall/Community
Center: Predevelopment**

To hire a qualified consultant to prepare planning documents that will help preserve the Howard Lake City Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Howard Lake, Wright County*

City of Rockford, \$121,274

**Installation of HVAC System at the Ames-
Florida-Stork House**

To hire qualified technicians to install a heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system in the Ames-Florida-Stork House, now part of the Rockford Area Historical Society's museum facilities, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Rockford, Wright County*

SENATE DISTRICT 29, HOUSE DISTRICT 29B

**Wright County Historical Society, \$1,600
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Buffalo, Wright County*

SENATE DISTRICT 30, HOUSE DISTRICT 30A

**City of Elk River, \$700
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Elk River, Sherburne County*

SENATE DISTRICT 30, HOUSE DISTRICT 30B

**City of Otsego, \$575
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Otsego, Wright County*

SENATE DISTRICT 32, HOUSE DISTRICT 32A

**Isanti County Historical Society, \$10,000
Microfilm Acquisition**

To add 126 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to broaden public accessibility to primary records. *Cambridge, Isanti County*

**Isanti County Historical Society, \$24,960
Collections Care & Management**

To gain intellectual and physical control of archival materials held in public trust. *Cambridge, Isanti County*

SENATE DISTRICT 32, HOUSE DISTRICT 32B

**City of Taylors Falls, \$10,000
National Register Nomination Update for
Angel's Hill Historic District**

To hire a qualified historian to complete an updated nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for Angel's Hill Historic District. *Taylors Falls, Chisago County*

SENATE DISTRICT 33, HOUSE DISTRICT 33B

**Three Rivers Park District, \$9,000
National Register Nomination:
Schmid Farmstead Ruins, Lake Minnetonka
Regional Park**

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Schmid Farmstead Ruins, Minnetonka. *Plymouth, Hennepin County*

**City of Excelsior, \$920
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Excelsior, Hennepin County*

**Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Historical Society,
\$620
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Excelsior, Hennepin County*

**Westonka Historical Society, \$6,200
Centennial Building Mechanical System (HVAC)
Evaluation**

To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate the current system in preparation for better control of the Westonka Historical Society museum environment. *Mound, Hennepin County*

**Maritime Heritage Minnesota, \$9,410
Lake Minnetonka Nautical Archaeology 3 Project**

To determine the nature of objects discovered through marine archaeology research in Lake Minnetonka. *Minnetonka, Hennepin County*

**Maritime Heritage Minnesota, \$9,989
Lake Minnetonka Multiple Property
Documentation Form Project**

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate submerged cultural resources in Lake Minnetonka for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. *Minnetonka, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 34, HOUSE DISTRICT 34A

**Hassan Area Historical Society, \$470
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Rogers, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 34, HOUSE DISTRICT 34B

**City of Osseo, \$6,564
Osseo Water Tower Intensive Level Survey and
Evaluation for National Register Eligibility**

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the Osseo Water Tower for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. *Osseo, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 35, HOUSE DISTRICT 35A

**City of Anoka, \$10,000
National Register Interpretive Historical Markers**

To design, produce, and install historical markers for National Register properties in the City of Anoka. *Anoka, Anoka County*

**Anoka County Historical Society, \$1,117
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Anoka, Anoka County*

SENATE DISTRICT 38, HOUSE DISTRICT 38B

**White Bear Lake Area Historical Society,
\$10,000
Charles P. Noyes Cottage (Fillebrown House)
Structural Stabilization Planning**

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a conditions assessment of the Charles P. Noyes Cottage, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *White Bear Lake, Ramsey County*

**White Bear Lake Area Historical Society, \$1,135
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *White Bear Lake, Ramsey County*

**Maritime Heritage Minnesota, \$9,625
White Bear Lake Nautical Archaeology 1 Project**
To determine the nature of objects discovered through marine archaeology research in White Bear Lake. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

**White Bear Lake Area Historical Society,
\$10,000
Charles P. Noyes Cottage Structural Stabilization
Project Construction Phase**

To hire qualified professionals to stabilize the structural system of the Charles P. Noyes Cottage (Fillebrown House), listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *White Bear Lake, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 39, HOUSE DISTRICT 39A

**St. Croix Scenic Coalition, \$50,000
St. Croix Scenic Byway Five Part Heritage
Tourism Video**

To hire qualified professionals to produce a video series on the history of the St. Croix Scenic Byway. *Shafer, Chisago County*

SENATE DISTRICT 39, HOUSE DISTRICT 39B

**City of Stillwater (Fire Department), \$10,000
Fire Station History Exhibit Production**

To hire consultants to develop and install an exhibit on the history of the Stillwater Fire Department. *Stillwater, Washington County*

**City of Stillwater, \$575
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Stillwater, Washington County*

**City of Stillwater, \$6,900
Bergstein Shoddy Mill and Warehouse
Reuse Study**

To hire qualified consultants to conduct a reuse study of the Moritz Bergstein Shoddy Mill and Warehouse, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Stillwater, Washington County*

**City of Stillwater (Fire Department), \$10,000
Fire Station History Exhibit Plan**

To hire a qualified consultant to write an exhibit plan for a history of the City of Stillwater Fire Station. *Stillwater, Washington County*

SENATE DISTRICT 41, HOUSE DISTRICT 41A

Minnesota Special Education Leaders Foundation (MNSELF), \$9,996
History of Special Education Administration in Minnesota

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of the evolution of special education administration in Minnesota. *Fridley, Anoka County*

Minnesota Special Education Leaders Foundation (MNSELF), \$9,914
Write the History of Special Education Administration in Minnesota

To hire qualified professionals to produce a manuscript on the history of special education administration in Minnesota. *Fridley, Anoka County*

Minnesota Special Education Leaders Foundation (MNSELF), \$48,800
Researching 1960 - 2000 MN Special Education History

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of special education in Minnesota, 1960-2000. *Fridley, Anoka County*

SENATE DISTRICT 42, HOUSE DISTRICT 42B

Roseville Historical Society, \$6,000
Questions and Solutions Engineering Study Assessment of HVAC

To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate the current system in preparation for better control of the Roseville Historical Society museum environment. *Roseville, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 43, HOUSE DISTRICT 43A

Maplewood Area Historical Society, \$10,000
Research Project: Role of 3M in Development of Maplewood

To hire a qualified consultant to research the history of 3M and the development of Maplewood, in preparation for a future exhibit. *Maplewood, Ramsey County*

City of Maplewood, \$925
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Maplewood, Ramsey County*

Ramsey County (Parks and Recreation Department), \$10,000
Preserving and Sharing the Rich History and Tradition of Keller Golf Course

To hire consultants to develop and install an exhibit on Keller Golf Course in Ramsey County *Maplewood, Ramsey County*

Maplewood Area Historical Society, \$10,000
Exhibit Plan: 3M and Maplewood

To hire a qualified consultant to write an exhibit plan for an exhibit exploring the relationship between 3M and Maplewood. *Maplewood, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 44, HOUSE DISTRICT 44B

Minneapolis Jewish Federation, \$9,950
Tolerance & Inclusivity: The Formation and History of Mount Sinai Hospital and Women's Auxiliary, 1942-1992

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of Mount Sinai Hospital and Women's Auxiliary, 1942-1992. *Minnetonka, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 45, HOUSE DISTRICT 45B

Golden Valley Historical Society, \$9,990
Permanent Exhibition Research and Planning
To hire a consultant to research potential themes for upcoming permanent exhibits at Golden Valley Historical Society. *Golden Valley, Hennepin County***Golden Valley Historical Society, \$9,780**
Golden Valley Historical Society: Exhibit Plan for Permanent Exhibit

To hire a qualified consultant to write an exhibit plan for Golden Valley Historical Society. *Golden Valley, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 46, HOUSE DISTRICT 46A

DOCOMOMO-US-MN, \$8,000
Symposium Planning and Management Services

To hire qualified professionals to research and assemble materials specific to historic preservation in Minnesota preparatory to a national preservation conference. *Golden Valley, Hennepin County*

DOCOMOMO-US-MN, \$30,000

**“Modernism on the Prairie” Symposium
Development, Execution, and Documentation**

To create Minnesota-based educational content for the 2015 Docomomo National Symposium, which will be held in Minneapolis. *Golden Valley, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 47, HOUSE DISTRICT 47A

**Carver County Historical Society, \$3,000
MNopedia Content Entries**

To create five Carver County entries for the MNopedia project for online research. *Waconia, Carver County*

**Carver County Historical Society, \$8,155
Conservation of German Reading Society
Banner**

To hire a qualified conservator to restore a significant collections piece. *Waconia, Carver County*

**Carver County Historical Society, \$9,850
Web Site Development**

To hire qualified consultants to revamp the CCHS website to make it more accessible to the general public. *Waconia, Carver County*

**Carver County Historical Society, \$585
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Waconia, Carver County*

**City of Carver, \$1,110
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Carver, Carver County*

SENATE DISTRICT 48, HOUSE DISTRICT 48B

**City of Eden Prairie, \$300
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Eden Prairie, Hennepin County*

**City of Eden Prairie, \$375
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for one staff member at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Eden Prairie, Hennepin County*

**Eden Prairie Historical Society, \$570
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Eden Prairie, Hennepin County*

**Eden Prairie Historical Society, \$10,000
Cummins-Phipps-Grill House: Interpretive Plan**

To hire a qualified consultant to write an interpretive plan for the Cummins-Phipps-Grill House, Eden Prairie. *Eden Prairie, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 49, HOUSE DISTRICT 49A

**City of Edina, \$1,085
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Edina, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 49, HOUSE DISTRICT 49B

**PACER Center, \$8,894
An Oral History of the Founding of
MN’s PACER Center**

To document in eight oral history interviews the history of the founding of the PACER Center. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 50, HOUSE DISTRICT 50B

**NWA History Centre, \$49,400
Northwest Airlines History Centre
Collections Inventory**

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Bloomington, Hennepin County*

**NWA History Centre, \$5,527
Collections Management Policy & Procedures
and PastPerfect Purchase**

To hire a qualified consultant to prepare a collections management policies and procedures document. *Bloomington, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 51, HOUSE DISTRICT 51B

Caponi Art Park, \$8,685**Development of Caponi Art Park Collection-Phase 4**

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Eagan, Dakota County*

SENATE DISTRICT 52, HOUSE DISTRICT 52A

Minnesota Genealogical Society, \$9,912**MGS Library & Research Center Roadmap to 2019**

To hire a qualified consultant to help Minnesota Genealogical Society develop a five-year strategic plan. *South St. Paul, Dakota County*

SENATE DISTRICT 54, HOUSE DISTRICT 54A

Minnesota Aviation History and Education Center, \$5,642**Collections Management Policy & Procedures**

To hire a qualified consultant to prepare a collections management policies and procedures document. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 54, HOUSE DISTRICT 54B

Afton Historical Society and Museum, \$9,999
Acquisition of Microfilm Reader System

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Afton, Washington County*

Afton Historical Society and Museum, \$9,989
Family Files Rehousing

To improve management of archival materials through proper storage. *Afton, Washington County*

City of Afton, \$980**2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Afton, Washington County*

Afton Historical Society and Museum, \$9,944
Final Cataloging and Partial Rehousing

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Afton, Washington County*

Afton Historical Society and Museum, \$5,200
HVAC Assessment

To hire a qualified consultant to perform an assessment of Afton Historical Society's heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system. *Afton, Washington County*

SENATE DISTRICT 55, HOUSE DISTRICT 55A

Scott County Historical Society, \$1,010
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Shakopee, Scott County*

Scott County Historical Society, \$10,000
Scott County Biking & Walking Tours: Research Phase

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of Scott County. *Shakopee, Scott County*

Scott County Historical Society, \$9,951
Cataloguing the Werner Studio Photograph Collection

To gain intellectual and physical control of photographic materials held in public trust. *Shakopee, Scott County*

SENATE DISTRICT 58, HOUSE DISTRICT 58B

City of Farmington, \$575**2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship**

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *Farmington, Dakota County*

SENATE DISTRICT 59, HOUSE DISTRICT 59B

Minnesota Newspaper Foundation, \$10,000
2014 Summer Exhibit Plan

To hire a qualified consultant to create an exhibit plan as part of the museum's revitalization efforts. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Downtown Minneapolis Neighborhood Association, \$247,000
Rehabilitation of North Star Blankets Historic Signs

To hire qualified professionals to repair the North Star Blankets sign on the North Star Woolen Mill, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Minnesota Center for Book Arts, \$9,900
Minnesota Center for Book Arts' 30th Anniversary Oral History Project

To document in 18 oral history interviews the history of Minnesota Center for Book Arts. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Minnesota Newspaper Foundation, \$3,600
Audience Analysis: Summer 2014 State Fair Exhibit

To hire a qualified consultant to conduct an audience analysis of visitors during the State Fair. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Hennepin County Library, \$5,100
General Collections Needs Assessment Survey

To hire professional conservators to assess historically significant collections and write a long range preservation plan. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Hennepin County Library, \$10,000
Microfilm Reader/Scanner/Printer

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer to broaden public accessibility to microfilmed records. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Linden Hills Neighborhood Council, \$7,000
Evaluation of Linden Hills Commercial Nodes for National Register or Local Designation Eligibility

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the Linden Hills commercial nodes for local designation or possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Minnesota Council on Foundations, \$9,797
Minnesota Philanthropy Oral History Project

To document in eight oral history interviews the history of philanthropy in Minnesota. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 60, HOUSE DISTRICT 60A

Minneapolis Riverfront Partnership, \$9,350
The Red River Oxcart Trail Bike Tour

To hire a qualified historian to conduct research on the history of the Red River Oxcart Trail. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

City of Minneapolis, \$262,208
Exterior Rehabilitation of the Hollywood Theater

To hire qualified professionals to rehabilitate the exterior of the Hollywood Theater, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Northeast Community Development Corporation, \$14,072
Cycling Museum of Minnesota

Collections Management

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 60, HOUSE DISTRICT 60B

First Congregational Church of Minnesota-United Church of Christ, \$20,500

First Congregational Church of Minnesota Preservation: Design Services

To hire a qualified consultant to develop planning documents that will help preserve the First Congregational Church of Minnesota, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Regents of the University of Minnesota (U of M Libraries), \$55,319
Minnesota On the Air

To gain intellectual and physical control of archival materials held in public trust. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

Regents of the University of Minnesota (Institute on Community Integration), \$10,000

Polish the Evelyn Deno Anthology on the 1957 State Law Requiring Special Education

To hire qualified professionals to produce a manuscript on Evelyn Deno and the history of special education in Minnesota's public schools. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

**Regents of the University of Minnesota (Bell Museum of Natural History), \$7,802
Collection Storage Case Replacement and Upgrade**

To improve collections care and management through proper storage. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

**Weavers Guild of Minnesota, \$10,000
Publication: History of the Weavers Guild of Minnesota**

To hire qualified professionals to publish a book on the history of the Weavers Guild of Minnesota. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 61, HOUSE DISTRICT 61A

**Westminster Presbyterian Church, \$5,158
General Conservation Assessment and Long-Range Preservation Plan**

To hire professional conservators to assess historically significant collections and write a long range preservation plan. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

**Dunwoody College of Technology, \$9,000
Exploring Dunwoody's Place in Local and National History**

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of Dunwoody College. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

**The Bakken Museum, \$100,000
Electropolis Exhibit Phase 2: Implementation**

To hire consultants to develop and install an exhibit on the history of electricity in Minneapolis. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

**Project for Pride in Living, Inc., \$81,000
H. Alden Smith House Re-use Assessment**

To hire qualified professionals to conduct a re-use assessment and prepare planning documents for the H. Alden Smith House, part of the Minneapolis Community and Technical College campus and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 61, HOUSE DISTRICT 61B

**American Aviation Heritage Foundation, \$10,000
Manuscript: History of Northwest Aeronautical Corporation**

To hire a qualified professional to produce a manuscript on the history of the Northwest Aeronautical Corporation. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

**Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board, \$10,000
Grand Rounds National Historic Register Evaluation: Fieldwork for Final Revisions**

To hire a qualified historian to complete an evaluation for the National Register of Historic Places for Grand Rounds. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 62, HOUSE DISTRICT 62A

In the Heart of the Beast Puppet & Mask Theatre, \$10,000

Conditions Assessment for the Avalon Theater

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of Avalon Theater, now Heart of the Beast Puppet & Mask Theater, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 63, HOUSE DISTRICT 63A

**Seward Neighborhood Group, \$10,000
History of the Seward Neighborhood: Phase Two**

To hire qualified professionals to produce a manuscript on the history of the Seward Neighborhood. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 63, HOUSE DISTRICT 63B

Minnesota Air National Guard Historical Foundation, \$5,373

Collections Management Policy & Procedures and PastPerfect Upgrade

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *Fort Snelling area, Hennepin County*

**Richfield Historical Society, \$37,130
Historic Structure Report: Riley Lucas Bartholomew House**

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report that will help preserve the Riley Lucas Bartholomew House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Richfield, Hennepin County*

**Hennepin County, \$250,000
Fort Snelling Upper Post Building 55 Reroofing—Historical Materials**

To hire qualified professionals to replace the roof on Building 55 at Fort Snelling Upper Post, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Hennepin County*

AirSpace Minnesota, \$28,000

AirSpace Minnesota Interpretive Plan

To hire a qualified consultant to write an interpretive plan for Minnesota aviation and aerospace history. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

AirSpace Minnesota, \$7,420

AirSpace Minnesota: Artifact Storage and Collections Rehousing

To improve collections care and management through proper storage. *Minneapolis, Hennepin County*

SENATE DISTRICT 64, HOUSE DISTRICT 64A

Rondo Avenue, Inc., \$10,000

Research for Book on Rondo Society Columnist

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of Estyr Peake, Rondo society columnist. *Saint Paul, Ramsey County*

Heritage And Traditions, Inc., \$6,648

Inventory and Preservation of Folk and Traditional Music Collection

To provide better storage conditions and broaden public accessibility to Minnesota folk and traditional music. *Saint Paul, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 64, HOUSE DISTRICT 64B

Maritime Heritage Minnesota, \$9,996

USS Essex Log Book Project IV: Editing/Transcription

To digitize part of a collection of *USS Essex* log books in order to broaden public accessibility. *Saint Paul, Ramsey County*

St. Catherine University, \$4,673

The State Fair Stories Project: Significant Experiences of the Highly Involved

To document in oral history interviews the history of long-time participants in the Minnesota State Fair. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 65, HOUSE DISTRICT 65A

HAND in HAND Productions, \$10,000

Saint Paul Police Oral History Project Phase 9

To document in six to eight oral history interviews the history of the St. Paul Police Department. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Hmong Cultural Center, \$10,000

Hmong Minnesota History Exhibit Implementation Project

To install an exhibit on Hmong history in Minnesota. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 65, HOUSE DISTRICT 65B

Germanic-American Institute, \$8,460

Gardner House: Roof Restoration Architectural Services

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the repair of the roof of the Gardner House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and headquarters of the Germanic-American Institute. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Ramsey County Historical Society, \$123,062
Comprehensive Artifact Collection Catalog

To gain intellectual and physical control of historic objects held in public trust. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Ramsey County Historical Society, \$44,889

HIV/AIDS Healthcare Providers Oral History Project II

To document in 20 oral history interviews the history of HIV/AIDS healthcare providers in Minnesota. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Ramsey County Law Library, \$63,207

Restoration of Ramsey County Historic Judicial Portraits, Phase II

To hire a qualified conservator to restore significant collections pieces. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

James J. Hill Reference Library, \$220,000

Elevator Replacement

To improve public accessibility at the James J. Hill Reference Library, listed in the National Register of Historic Places, to better comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Ramsey County Historical Society, \$7,056

Re-Housing and Moving the Ramsey County Assessor Records

To improve collections care and management through proper storage. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Preservation Alliance of Minnesota, \$7,800

Stewart Red Owl Determination of National Register Eligibility

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the Stewart Red Owl for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Preservation Alliance of Minnesota, \$10,000
Hmong History Literature Review

To write a literature review of the Hmong community in Minnesota. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

City of St. Paul, \$820
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Preservation Alliance of Minnesota, \$9,850
LGBT Literature Review

To write a literature review of the LGBT community in the Twin Cities. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Minnesota Transportation Museum, \$9,575
StEPs Assessment

To grow the capacity of the organization to preserve and interpret history through a national training standard. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Ramsey County Historical Society, \$9,945
Phase II: From Exile to Resettlement: Elderly Bhutanese Refugee Women in Minnesota

To document in oral history interviews the history of Bhutanese refugee women in Minnesota. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Minnesota Museum of American Art, \$1,365
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Ramsey County Historical Society, \$1,600
2014 AASLH Conference Scholarship

To provide professional development for two staff members at the national American Association for State and Local History Conference in St. Paul, September 17-20, 2014. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Minnesota Museum of American Art, \$10,000
“MN Makers” Educational Program Plan

To hire a qualified consultant to write an education plan for Minnesota Museum of American Art. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 66, HOUSE DISTRICT 66A

Luther Seminary Foundation, \$10,000
Norway Lutheran Church Historic Structure Report

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report that will help with the restoration of Norway Lutheran Church, St. Paul, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 66, HOUSE DISTRICT 66B

City of Saint Paul (Parks and Recreation), \$10,000
Como Woodland Outdoor Classroom Natural and Cultural History Guide, Phase II

To hire qualified professionals to produce a teacher guidebook for Como Woodland Outdoor Classroom. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

City of Saint Paul (Parks and Recreation), \$220,000
Como Park Historic Streetcar Pedestrian Bridge

To hire qualified professionals to repair the Como Park Streetcar Pedestrian Bridge, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

SENATE DISTRICT 67, HOUSE DISTRICT 67A

East Side Freedom Library, \$24,000
Historic Structure Report for Carnegie Library

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report for the former Arlington Hills Branch Library, a Carnegie Library listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Report of Statewide History Programs FY15



Students used the groundbreaking “Play the Past” mobile application preinstalled in a hand-held device to explore the “Then Now Wow” exhibit at the Minnesota History Center. The app promotes interaction with the physical exhibit.

The Minnesota Historical Society has been preserving, sharing and connecting people with history since 1849. With support from the Legacy Amendment’s Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, MNHS is investing \$11.2 million this biennium in history programs that will bring the power of history to Minnesotans of all ages, in all corners of the state.

FY14-15 Appropriations Language—Programs: \$5,525,000 the first year and \$5,675,000 the second year are for programs and purposes related to the historical and cultural heritage of the state of Minnesota, conducted by the Minnesota Historical Society.

PRESERVING

Digitization of Historical Collections\$189,394

Increasing the public's online access to the Minnesota Historical Society permanent collection remains a top priority of the Collections Department. Over 2,000 additional records were published to the online catalog in FY14. This included 222 newspaper negatives and 1,826 artifacts. The digitization of MNHS Ojibwe artifacts is nearly complete and digitization of the Hmong textile collection continues.

In FY15, digitization of collections will continue with a focus on recently acquired artifacts, additional World War I related artifacts and photos from the MNHS collection of newspaper negatives.

Digitization of Minnesota's Newspapers \$277,700

mnhs.org/newspapers

Last year, Minnesota Newspapers Online (MNO), a multi-year project to provide large-scale access to Minnesota digital newspaper content, launched the beta version of its public access tool, known as the Minnesota Digital Newspaper Hub. In 2014, this web service was refined and is now a well-articulated resource capable of sharing its current 634,000 pages of digital content with researchers.

2014 also witnessed another technical milestone—the completion and deployment of an automated tool that allows the ingestion of large packages of digital newspaper content directly from publishers without requiring manipulation of individual newspaper pages. This advance creates economies for staff and budgets, and makes the process more attractive for publishers. It represents increased efficiency that permits staff to open up the emerging partnership with the Minnesota Newspaper Association (MNA) to all willing partners.

MNHS has also negotiated a contract template with publishers that allows all ingested content to be delivered to researchers at the Gale Family Library at MNHS. Content that is out of copyright can be sent freely via the Internet.

The team has brought several publishers into the partnership and will be recruiting more publisher partners at the January 2015 MNA annual meeting. A survey was distributed to all MNA members that will help recruit more partners by revealing more comprehensively their issues, needs, and business concerns.

Using non-Legacy funds, MNHS engaged in two business

consultations to help guide future project development. The first was with Carlson Ventures Enterprise at the University of Minnesota to evaluate the business potential and financial sustainability of the MNO project and to recommend strategies for moving forward in the cultural marketplace. The second, with Instrumental, Inc., a St. Paul digital strategies firm, evaluated our technical platform and software and its ability to scale sufficiently to support future needs.

These efforts have strengthened our technical platform, established directions for future growth and development, and poised the project to increase the number of publisher partners.

Historic Fort Snelling Archeology Collections \$61,600

In the second year of this project, staff continued to inventory and rehouse archaeological collections from Historic Fort Snelling. Student interns from the University of Minnesota spent fall semester 2014 assisting project staff in inventory and research. To date, over 40,000 catalog



Bobbie Scott of the Fort Snelling Archeology Collections project with the original key to the original lock from the Round Tower at the Fort. The key had been considered missing from the collections for many years until Bobbie's discovery. It is stored with archaeological collections.

records describing Fort Snelling archaeological materials have been added to the Collections Management System. About 250 objects have had descriptions and images added to MNHS' Collections Online website, where information about them is available to the general public.

Historic Sites Revitalization..... \$254,300

The Minnesota Historical Society continued to work on revitalizing some of the state's most important and prominent historic sites. Program planners developed new programs at Historic Fort Snelling, Mille Lacs Indian Museum and Trading Post, and the Charles A. Lindbergh Historic Site. A new training program, Conversation as Interpretation, was developed to train staff for the new programs to make experiences more conversational and engaging, while preparing them to be more comfortable in discussing sensitive subject matters. Evaluation results showed that 81 percent of program guests surveyed felt that these programs increased their knowledge of Minnesota history, places and culture and 71 percent of guests said that these programs increased their personal connection to history.

The Alexander Ramsey House continued to introduce innovative new programs. The popular programs include monthly History Happy Hours; Ramsey After Dark series, where the secrets of Victorian life are exposed; Ramsey Time Capsule family days, including parlor games and other hands-on activities for children; and History Chef cooking classes, where participants use Ramsey family recipes to create authentic Victorian dishes in the Ramsey House kitchen.

Program development areas expanded to other areas of the state as well. Historic Forestville introduced a new special event, Civil War Encampment Days of '63. As part of the commemoration of the Battle of Gettysburg's sesquicentennial, this experience included a recreated Civil War military camp, firing of muskets, and special presentation of the Gettysburg Address by a costumed history player portraying Abraham Lincoln. At the Oliver Kelley Farm, program staff began the next stage of program development as part of an overall capital improvement project to substantially enhance the experience of visitors to the Kelley Farm.

MNHS collaborated with the Nicollet County Historical Society (NCHS) and Gustavus Adolphus College to create a new exhibit and trail signs for the Lac qui Parle Mission Historic Site. Students enrolled in a fall 2013 Public History course, taught by Gustavus' Dr. Sujay Rao and then-NCHS director Ben Leonard, explored museum careers while they researched, wrote, and created a new exhibit.

The productive partnership did more than just replace the over 30-year-old site interpretation. Several students went on to take a spring semester 2014 course at Gustavus, offered by MNHS' Chris Taylor, and two completed summer internships at the Minnesota History Center. Several more are now contemplating graduate school or careers in the field.

Preservation of Digital Collections \$48,506

MNHS has in its care over 70 terabytes of digital collections (excluding newspapers), with more being acquired on a regular basis. In FY15, staff are creating and implementing processes to routinely appraise, acquire, store, and provide access to digital content from government records, manuscripts, sound/visual, and oral history holdings. In addition, staff are identifying and testing tools and workflows to ensure long-term preservation.

Stewardship of American Indian Artifacts..... \$80,000

The Minnesota Historical Society permanent collection includes more than 6,500 objects related to American Indian culture and history. MNHS takes seriously its responsibility to provide stewardship of these items in accordance with NAGPRA (Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act) and with MNHS' own Culturally Sensitive Objects Policy.



Ojibwe beadwork.

MNHS also began a series of outreach trips to Ojibwe bands in northern Minnesota in order to maintain transparency, deepen meaningful consultation, and produce stewardship plans for culturally sensitive objects in MNHS' collection.

In FY14, Collections staff continued to partner with American Indian communities in a variety of ways.

Through collections storage tours, scheduled research visits, and other public events, a large number and wide variety of American Indian artists, researchers, and other interested community members were reached. These partnerships included continued outreach work beyond the History Center, within the communities.

Other notable events included hosting Dakota culture and history and quillwork classes from Sisseton Wahpeton College and high school students from the Prairie Island Indian Community.

Collections of historic lacrosse sticks were open to examination to those interested in revitalizing the Native American sport of lacrosse. Finally, this year MNHS partnered with the Indian Land Tenure Foundation to make a video about the history of the buffalo; hosted Dakota descendants from Sioux Valley, Canada; completed an eagle feather inventory; and instituted the new Native American Artist-in-Residence Program.

Sustainability of Programs and Facilities..... \$121,700

The Minnesota Historical Society continues to strive for environmental, economic, and social sustainability in the fourth year of its sustainability program. Staff and visitors are engaged with sustainability through the project's "More for the Mission" campaign.

In 2014, the sustainability campaign included a staff competition that tracked steps and stairs taken during the day. Staff not only increased physical activity, but tracked a 16 percent reduction in use of the elevators. Our elevators use 31,671 kg CO₂e annually, which is the equivalent greenhouse gas emission contribution of annual energy use for the entire Sibley House site. Staff elevator use reductions during the contest also saved us over \$2,400 in electricity costs. The overarching goal of these campaigns is to engage staff in the significance of sustainability in their daily lives as well as its importance for MNHS. Recent energy-efficiency projects within our facilities put us on target to meet the goal of 15 percent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by 2016.

Progress continues on a cold and cool storage energy efficiency investigation. Leveraging a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities Sustaining Cultural Heritage Planning Grant, a multidisciplinary team of MNHS conservators, archivists, collections managers, facilities managers, curators, and capital projects staff worked with experts in the field to better understand the challenge of long-term preservation of film materials in cold storage. In most cases, cold storage



A view of the *Then Now Wow* exhibit.

spaces mean increased energy use and operational costs. The study has produced recommendations that will help MNHS improve its film storage preservation metric from 100 years to 400 years for most of the collection, and up to 900 years for particularly sensitive materials. At the same time, the study also anticipates over \$16,000 in annual energy savings by rethinking and upgrading the mechanical system configuration. Expert panelists from different fields and institutions have noted that MNHS has engaged in a "groundbreaking look at some of the issues that must be considered by institutions striving to maintain their preservation goals while managing energy consumption and developing a sustainable building program." The final report from the study will be available on January 1, 2015, and will be presented at several professional conferences in the upcoming calendar year.

The sustainability program has also received recognition for its impact in the museum and history organization community. In 2013, Sarah Brophy and Elizabeth Wylie's book, *The Green Museum: A Primer on Environmental Practice* (second edition), featured a case study on MNHS' use of metrics to guide the sustainability program, as well as successful energy and cost savings at several of our historic sites and museums. MNHS' sustainability program will also be featured in an upcoming book by Sarah Sutton, *Environmental Sustainability at History Museums and Historic Sites*. MNHS' sustainability program metrics were presented in a panel on American and European perspectives on energy efficiency in historic buildings at the Association for Preservation Technology annual conference in 2013 and in a similar panel of international perspectives at the National Council for Public History in 2014.

The five-year target of 15 percent greenhouse gas emission reductions will save an estimated \$1.8 million in energy and water costs. In the future, the sustainability program will look to merge major facilities renovations with more energy, water, and indoor air quality goals and seek out more opportunities to communicate our successes to Minnesotans and to the wider museum field.

SHARING

Exhibitions Programming \$40,200

Minnesota Historical Society exhibitions are supported by diverse programming that complements the content of the exhibitions. These additional programs augment and promote the rich stories of Minnesota's history. Programs in 2014 included lectures, musical performances, hands-on family activities and other events.



The History Center saw record attendance for the *Toys of the '50s, '60s and '70s* exhibition.

Toys of the '50s, '60s and '70s Promotion \$100,000

The History Center saw record attendance in July and August 2014, driven by the popularity of this exhibit. Because visitation was expected to remain high over the holidays, the History Center extended its hours to accommodate the crowds for the final days of the exhibit, December 29, 2014, through January 4, 2015. Marketing and promotion efforts encouraged more Minnesotans to experience the rich veins of nostalgia, memory, and history the toys evoke. The stories contained in each of these toys reflect the rhythms of American life. The 5,000-square-foot exhibit opened at the Minnesota History Center on May 24, 2014, and spotlighted Minnesota-based classics like Tonka, Cootie, Twister, and more.

Twin Cities through the Lens of Charles Chamblis Promotion..... \$20,000

From family reunions to the night club scene, nobody documented the Twin Cities black community like Charles Chamblis. Chamblis' passion for photography started when he was given his first camera in the 1960s, a revolutionary, one-step Polaroid. After that, photography became his life's work. The 1,500-square-foot exhibition "Sights, Sounds, and Soul: Twin Cities through the Lens of Charles Chamblis" opened April 26, 2014, and ran through January 4, 2015.



The "We Are Hmong Minnesota" initiative opening in March 2015 celebrates the 40th anniversary of the beginning of Hmong migration to Minnesota.

We Are Hmong Minnesota.....\$544,549

This initiative, slated for rollout in March 2015, is timed for the celebration of the 40th anniversary of the beginning of Hmong migration to Minnesota. A 2,500-square-foot exhibition, "We Are Hmong Minnesota," will open on March 7, 2015. A traveling version of the exhibit for loan to libraries, schools and community centers will also be developed, along with a companion exhibit at the James J. Hill House to display a collection of Hmong textiles recently donated to the Minnesota Historical Society. A website aggregating collections and educational resources is planned. A menu of public programs, including a family day opening and a focus on Hmong history and culture at the annual Asia-Pacific Heritage Day will also be developed.



Native American modernist artist George Morrison.

Modern Spirit: The Art of George Morrison Exhibition\$115,000

On view February 14-April 26, 2015

This exhibit of the work of George Morrison is the first comprehensive retrospective of this key Native American modernist from Grand Portage. It includes drawings, paintings, prints, and sculpture that bring together concepts of abstraction, landscape, and spiritual reflection in the mind and eye of an important 20th-century artist. Half of the 80 works in the exhibition issue from the largest and most important collection of Morrison's artwork in the country, the Minnesota Museum of American Art in St. Paul, which organized the exhibition. The other 40 pieces are taken from important public and private collections from across the country, including four pieces from the collection of the Minnesota Historical Society. The exhibition is curated by W. Jackson Rushing III, Adkins Presidential Professor of Art History and Mary Lou Milner Carver Chair in Native American Art at the University of Oklahoma. Rushing's teaching and scholarship explore the interstitial zone between (Native) American studies, anthropology, and art history.

Inspiring Beauty: 50 Years of Ebony Fashion Fair Exhibition \$225,000

On view May 23-August 16, 2015

This exhibit chronicles the Ebony Fashion Fair traveling fashion show that began in 1958. Over the next 50 years the fashion fair blossomed into an African American institution that raised millions for charity and helped the Johnson Publishing Company—the publishers of *Ebony* and *Jet* magazines—reach new audiences. Show organizers overcame racial prejudice to bring the pinnacle of Europe's premier fashion to communities that were eager to see, in real time and space, a new vision of black America. Eunice Johnson took over as producer and director in 1963, and under her direction, the traveling show took on new heights as she expanded her cachet and power within fashion circles. The exhibit tells this story with more than 40 garments from icons of the fashion industry such as Yves St. Laurent, Oscar de la Renta, Pierre Cardin, Emanuel Ungaro, Christian Lacroix, and Patrick Kelly among others.

Twin Cities Suburbs Exhibition Development..... \$380,393

This 5,000-square-foot exhibition opening in October 2015 will tell the story of the population exodus from the central cities to the developing suburbs and the massive social transformations this entailed. In 1950, approximately 70 percent of the Twin Cities metropolitan area population was concentrated in Minneapolis and St. Paul. By 2010, these two cities held only 20 percent of the metropolitan area's total population. The suburbs were a product of pent-up demand for housing after World War II, mass production, the automobile, a booming middle class and a heavy assist from the federal housing policy. This exhibition will emphasize suburbia's "Golden Years," roughly from the late 1940s to the early 1970s, with an epilogue examining contemporary trends. The exhibit will run through February 2016.

The Over Here Project\$150,666

Partners: The National Constitution Center, the National World War I Museum, and the Oakland Museum of California.

The Over Here project will be a new traveling exhibit focused on America during the Great War years, 1917-1919. The 5,000-square-foot exhibit will depict World War I as a transformational event in American history, and as the centerpiece of a vast spectrum of social movements and change in the United States. Visitors will gain a better understanding of the effects and consequences of World War I. The projected completion date for this project is early 2017, to coincide with the 100-year anniversary of the United States entering World War I.

Multimedia Unit..... \$183,800

Legacy funds support 2.5 full-time multimedia positions, along with materials and services to produce video, audio, and other multimedia content for education, interpretive, and exhibit programs across MNHS, along with the promotion of these programs to the public.

Then Now Wow Promotion..... \$70,000

Family attendance at the Minnesota History Center continued to be strong in fiscal year 2014, spurred in part by the “Then Now Wow” exhibit, which has been up since November 2012. Family attendance made up over half (53 percent) of all museum visitors, while schools group visits comprised 23 percent.



Homepage of MNopedia, the online Minnesota encyclopedia.

MNopedia: The Minnesota Encyclopedia..... \$179,20

www.mnopedia.org

MNopedia is an award-winning online encyclopedia of Minnesota created by the Minnesota Historical Society and designed for use by a general audience, as well as teachers and students.

MNopedia

Stats from January 1, 2014 to October 21, 2014:

- 90 new articles published, adding up to a total of 364 articles
- 81,802 unique visitors, 78.5 percent of whom were new to the site
- 239,819 page views

In 2014 the MNopedia library grew to include essays on Dakota and Ojibwe history, a two-part series on the Ho-Chunk in Minnesota, and articles on iconic figures such as Ignatius Donnelly, Laura Ingalls Wilder, and Dred and Harriet Scott. The online newspaper *MinnPost* featured new MNopedia articles weekly. A lively social media presence attracted new audiences, including more than 800 Twitter followers.

MNopedia is commissioning content to recognize the 40th anniversary of the 1975 Hmong diaspora in 2015 as well as the 100th anniversary of United States and Minnesota’s entry into World War I in 2017.

American Indian Publishing.....\$52,000

The powerful stories of Minnesota’s Dakota and Ojibwe people, from the 19th century through today, bring Minnesotans of all ages a deeper understanding of life in this region. The Minnesota Historical Society Press publishes books that make the connection.

Legacy funding has allowed us to keep in print such important books as *550 Dakota Verbs*, *Anishinaabe Syndicated*, and *Honor the Grandmothers*.

Projects completed in 2014 include:

- *Conflicted Mission: Faith, Disputes, and Deception on the Dakota Frontier* by Linda Clemmons (published April 2014)
- *Hungry Johnny* by Cheryl Minema, with illustrations by Wesley Ballinger (picture book, published May 2014)
- *My Grandfather’s Knocking Sticks* by Brenda J. Child (published December 2014)

Projects underway in FY 2015:

- *Warrior Nation* by Anton Treuer (to be published fall 2015)
- *Wild Rice Revolution* by Richard LaFortune (to be published fall 2016)

“There’s a lot that I like about *Hungry Johnny*. The Ojibwe words, the teachings imparted, and, Ballinger’s art... I imagine *Hungry Johnny* will be much loved by Ojibwe children... What a treat!”

—Debbie Reese, *American Indians in Children’s Literature* blog



“My Grandfather’s Knocking Sticks is an original and perceptive history of labor and economic survival on the Red Lake Reservation. Brenda Child considers hard work and communal enterprises, men and women in fisheries, rice harvests, and jingle dance healers in generous, heartfelt, and documented stories.”

—Gerald Vizenor, author of the historical novel Blue Ravens

Minnesota History

Mobile Application\$70,464

Minnesota History magazine celebrates its 100th anniversary by advancing into the 21st century with a new digital version. Beginning in April 2015 the lively and cherished magazine will be available as an app for both iPad and Android. While the magazine will continue to be available in print, the digital version will offer interactive content, providing the opportunity for enhanced engagement and allowing our readers to dig deeper into history. The added features, such as audio, video, and expanded photo galleries, will facilitate learning for students and lifelong learners, and the digital framework for



the app will improve communications with members and help to customize outreach to readers statewide.

Hmong Oral History Project \$20,000

Partner: Hmong Broadcasting Company

The goal of the Hmong Oral History Project is to document Hmong stories and perspectives that have been underrepresented. Mitch Lee, director of St. Paul’s Hmong Broadcasting Company (HBC) is interviewing 10 prominent Hmong individuals. The interviews will be shot in video using HBC’s film crew. Narrators will be given DVDs of their interview as thanks for their participation. The interviews will be featured on HBC and will also become part of the MNHS collection available online at the Voices of Minnesota website, collections.mnhs.org/voicesofmn/. As of December 2014, four interviews have been completed and are in the editing stage.

Minnesota in the Civil War

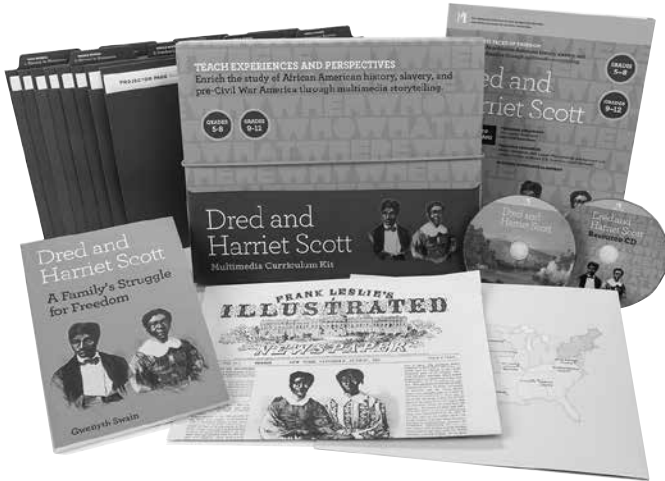
Programs \$173,900

mnhs.org/civilwar

The Minnesota Historical Society produced a series of short films focused on interesting episodes connecting Minnesota stories to the larger national narrative about the Civil War. Episodes about the Dred Scott Supreme Court decision of 1857 (based, in part, on his time at Fort Snelling), Governor Ramsey’s prompt reply to Lincoln’s call for troops after the attack on Fort Sumter, and the service of the First Minnesota Regiment at Antietam and Gettysburg were among the programs available online, shared with schools, and broadcast dozens of times by Twin Cities Public Television. Additional episodes focused on the decisive election of 1864, crucial role of women, and importance of farms and farmers (including Oliver Kelley), were also in development.

Fort Snelling again hosted the annual Civil War Symposium for hundreds of attendees. The presentations of these nationally recognized experts were filmed for future use. A partnership is underway with Minnesota Public Radio for a stage production to commemorate the closing days of the Civil War and return of Minnesota regiments, set for a spring 2015 performance, and drawing on Civil War diaries, music, and anecdotes.

“Saint Paul after the Civil War” trolley tours continued to offer an up-close experience with the stories of the veterans, freed slaves, and new immigrants that helped build St. Paul after the war. The popular “Tweeting the Civil War” project, which follows characters from Minnesota history through their Civil War experiences in “real time,” continued as well.



The Dred and Harriet Scott Multimedia Curriculum Kit

Development of Minnesota Curriculum.....\$127,400

MNHS is developing new curricula to engage students in learning about Minnesota history. In FY14, MNHS completed production of the Dred and Harriet Scott curriculum kit and program development of the lumberjack math curriculum kit, which will be produced in FY15. The Dakota painted buffalo hide activity kit is in development in cooperation with advisers from the Dakota community.

- The Dred and Harriet Scott curriculum kit is a series of DVDs and primary source-based activities designed to engage middle and high school students in the story of slavery in Minnesota in the 19th century. The DVDs offer a dramatic portrayal of Dred and Harriet Scott by actors from Colonial Williamsburg, humanizing the story of the Scott family in their struggle for freedom.
- The lumberjack math curriculum kit is a multi-disciplinary approach to teaching about the logging industry in late 19th century Minnesota. Students meet characters from a typical logging camp and are asked to solve math problems in order to feed the horses and men and determine how much timber can be cut from a typical tree. The math problems are aligned with national academic math standards for fifth and sixth graders.
- The Dakota painted buffalo hide activity kit introduces students to Dakota culture and history through an art activity, DVDs, and items from MNHS collections. Students meet a modern-day Dakota artist who uses centuries-old traditional methods to create modern painted buffalo hides. Students also learn about Dakota traditions and values, examine 19th century Dakota art, and complete their own hide activity.

CONNECTING

Creating Success for 21st Century Learners\$29,600

Research shows that traditional teaching tools such as textbooks and lectures don't fully engage today's students who have grown up surrounded by technology and use it in their daily lives. So that today's students can develop a stronger connection to the study of history, a total of 14 historic sites have revamped their field trips in this ongoing program. They have also developed online resources requested in earlier research by teachers and parents. In 2014, the project team used the results of a comprehensive standard evaluation tool launched in 2013 to make improvements to program design and delivery with an emphasis on student development of critical thinking and problem-solving skills.



History Live interactive video conferencing has served over 23,000 Minnesota students.

History Live—Interactive Video Conferencing \$183,900

education.mnhs.org/history-live

The award-winning History Live program served more than 6,300 students in FY14, bringing the total of students served since the program launched to over 23,000. The program also increased sustainability to ensure efficient use of ACHF funds. During the past year, MNHS' History Live program:

- Refined a business plan and used it to increase overall revenue to three times that of previous years.
- Delivered as many programs as our time-tested, decades-old History Player outreach program.

- Expanded our reach to 23 Minnesota counties.
- Hosted the national nonprofit Civilian Conservation Corps Legacy’s annual meeting, to sharpen lesson content, connect history to the present, and spread the word about resources available through MNHS.
- Adopted a new video conferencing software platform to better serve Minnesotans with limited technology access.
- Began to offer professional development and teacher education opportunities via video conferencing.

“Our school is in a rural district and our kids do not have experience with the content provided in the program. This was interesting for them and generated a wonderful class discussion. The kids were able to participate in the program and did not sit passively watching a speaker.”

—4th grade teacher
commenting on “American Indian Culture Preserved in Stone” History Live lesson

In 2014, History Live won a fourth consecutive Pinnacle Award recognition (honorable mention) from the Center for Interactive Learning and Collaboration for outstanding educational programming through video conferencing.

History Live also received the American Association for State and Local History’s Leadership in History 2014 Award of Merit.

Play the Past: The Field Trip for the 21st Century Learner \$189,400

education.mnhs.org/playthepast

This groundbreaking project is creating a new model for school field trips using mobile and web technologies to capitalize on the natural behaviors and learning styles of today’s students. Play the Past (previously known as “History in Our Hands”) demonstrates how museums can use technology to create self-directed, personalized, responsive field trip experiences that deepen students’ connection to history while honing their critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Play the Past, which launched in January 2014, was first used in the “Then Now Wow” exhibit at the Minnesota History Center and served over 3,000 students through



Students using Play the Past mobile application on hand-held devices during field trip to Minnesota History Center.

October 2014. Upon entering the gallery, students receive handheld devices pre-installed with the mobile application. The application enhances students’ experience and promotes interaction with the physical exhibit by encouraging them to answer questions, solve problems and collect digital artifacts related to the exhibit and items in MNHS’ vast collections.

“My students absolutely loved Play the Past. The History Center is definitely the best field trip we’ve taken both in enhancing classroom learning and giving the students a fun, unique experience.”

—6th grade teacher

Play the Past received multiple awards this year including an International Serious Play Gold Award, Minnesota Council of Nonprofits Dot.Org award, American Alliance of Museums (AAM) Bronze MUSE Award, and American Association for State and Local History’s Leadership in History 2014 Award of Merit.

Lifelong Learning.....\$91,500

The Minnesota Historical Society is deeply engaged in cultivating meaningful relationships with adult audiences as lifelong learners, members, donors, volunteers, and supporters. In 2014, MNHS worked to build the organization's capacity for using skilled volunteers through staff trainings, thorough evaluation of programs targeted at adult audiences, and making accessibility improvements.

- Twenty-six new skilled volunteer positions were added, contributing 3,000 volunteer hours.
- An institution-wide video to encourage skills-based volunteer projects was released. The video was highlighted at a national volunteer services conference.
- Peer-to-peer business planning was piloted to better align adult programs with their audiences' needs.
- Data collection began through a standardized survey tool for adult programs to create a benchmark for future programs.
- New signs were designed and installed to improve wayfinding at the Minnesota History Center.
- Eighteen tours for people with memory loss were piloted at the James J. Hill House. The tours were officially launched to the public in September 2014. These hour-long tours aim to spark memory and conversation with residents and their caregivers by using the historic resources and storytelling skills of MNHS staff.
- Historic sites and Minnesota History Center staff were trained to be Dementia Friends through the "ACT on ALZ" statewide initiative.

Legacy Field Trip Support Fund.....\$110,200

The Legacy Field Trip Support Fund helped 24,230 Minnesota students experience field trips at Minnesota historic sites and museums statewide in FY14. The high cost of transportation prohibits many Minnesota teachers from taking their students on field trips. The Legacy Field Trip Support Fund offsets transportation costs to all of MNHS' 26 museums and historic sites statewide. Eligible schools are reimbursed \$4 per student which, based on teacher feedback, allows more students access to field trips.

“It was an awesome experience for my students to experience the lessons they've been presented from our curriculum firsthand and in person at Historic Fort Snelling.”

—6th grade teacher

Research Fellowships Program..... \$50,000

The Minnesota Historical Society continued the Legacy Research Fellowships program in FY14 after a productive first year adding to the body of knowledge and interpretation of Minnesota's pre- and post-statehood history.

Seven scholars were selected as research fellows. Three scholars received \$5,000 awards and four received \$1,000 awards. The Legacy Research Fellows used the Gale Family Library at the Minnesota History Center to research their topics, which included:

- Swift County politics
- A 19th-century missionary teacher to Dakota people
- Involvement of missionaries in 19th-century treaties with Minnesota Indians
- Oral history interviews of immigrants from Tibet
- Identification of resources for a biography of Minnesota fur trader and politician Henry M. Rice
- History of three neighborhoods adjacent to the University of Minnesota
- Use of military and "half-breed" scrip to convey land in Minnesota to land speculators and through them, to white settlers and lumbermen

The second cohort of scholars was selected in November 2014, to begin work in January 2015.

College Internship Program \$121,800

College student interns representing Minnesota's diverse communities are placed across the Minnesota Historical Society in various departments and sites. During their semester-long internships, these students have the opportunity to work alongside museum professionals to enhance their skills and apply their knowledge in a professional environment. The activities focus on engaging with MNHS on a deeper level by discussing current issues and trends with museum staff, sharing intern experiences, and building professional networks.

In FY14, Legacy funds supported 114 college interns, who contributed over 17,000 hours to a range of departments at the History Center and historic sites. Over a three-year period from FY 2011 to 2014, the percent of diversity participants for this program has grown from 30 percent to 45 percent in FY 2014.

Engaging High School Students in Minnesota History through Internships..... \$6,200

The Minnesota Historical Society strives to attract high school interns from underrepresented communities to encourage engagement and to diversify the institution.

Legacy funds supported six gallery assistants in spring 2014. High school students placed in this program get professional on-the-job experience interacting with visitors in the History Center galleries and at public events. These students contributed nearly 450 hours to MNHS. Finally, these funds supported administration for other teen programs at MNHS. Eighty-three percent of these students were from communities of color.

American Indian Roundtable \$20,000

The Minnesota Historical Society hosted an American Indian Roundtable in spring 2014 for all tribes that have connections to Minnesota. This multi-day event covered topics such as language preservation, grant writing, and a digitizing workshop to support the preservation of American Indian history and culture.

Inclusivity and Diversity Initiative \$45,000

Intercultural competency evaluation and training for employees are strategies for pursuing one of the top priorities for MNHS: to continuously serve communities of color and American Indians better. Goals are to improve the diversity of staff and public users and to make programming more inclusive and reflective of the diversity of Minnesota.

Administrative Expenses and Indirect Cost Support \$441,728

MNHS works diligently to keep administrative costs low while adhering to the legislative mandate that costs be “directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation.” In order to implement its Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund programs, these funds support delivery of Legacy statewide programs.

Reaching Out to the Community through Historic Sites..... \$112,600

MNHS manages 26 historic sites and museums across Minnesota. MNHS is collaborating with local historical organizations around the state in areas where historic sites are located to assess and improve their service to the public.

MNHS staff continued work with several organizations such as Wilderness Inquiry, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, St. Cloud State University, and University of Minnesota, as well as local historical societies and school districts to create dynamic programs to expand history education and programming across the state. A major undertaking was the modification and evaluation of educational field trips across the state to analyze how well these programs served the school group audience of 169,000+ students, teachers and chaperones.

In addition, MNHS staff are working with schools and teachers to build and support National History Day in Minnesota participation and activities around the state.

Web Design and Development Support \$306,600

The Minnesota Historical Society continues to focus on broadening access to many of its Legacy-funded programs through the Internet. This funding supports the web development professionals who plan, build, and implement digital components that are part of many Legacy-funded history projects and helps pay for Web hosting to make these projects accessible to people in Minnesota and beyond.

Public Awareness and Communication..... \$382,100

MNHS staff created communication strategies and promotional materials for Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund (ACHF) history projects and programs. Increasing public awareness of these ACHF investments will ensure that students, teachers, and the general public will use and benefit from them.

Program Evaluation..... \$118,600

The Minnesota Historical Society continues to build a culture of evaluation. An evaluation manager provides technical assistance and support to staff who evaluate ACHF projects and programs. An institutional Evaluation Action Team, along with consultation from Wilder Research, helps provide strategy and direction for evaluation capacity-building efforts. Interns from the Minnesota Evaluation Studies Institute at the University of Minnesota, as well as a designated staff person in MNHS’ Education Department, also support evaluation efforts that may include logic model design, evaluation planning, instrument design, data analysis and reporting.

Highlights in 2014 include the creation of a data dictionary to standardize definitions of key terms, evaluations of the Civil War exhibit, and evaluation of family audiences visiting the “Then Now Wow” exhibit. Additionally, support for evaluation of the Play the Past component of “Then Now Wow” was provided. Evaluation of school field trips continued and standard outcomes were identified for all K-12 school programs. Work was also begun to identify standard outcomes for Adult and Family audiences.

More information about the impact of ACHF projects and the value for citizens is shared on two websites: legacy.leg.mn and legacy.mnhs.org.

Report of History Partnerships FY15



A partnership with MNHS and regional libraries across the state allows Arn Kind to create an interactive experience for pre-teens and kids asking the question: could you make it as a voyageur?

Funding from the Legacy Amendment's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund has resulted in partnerships between the Minnesota Historical Society and more than two dozen organizations, as well as partnerships among other history-minded groups. These partnerships promote the sharing of knowledge and resources and help extend the reach of the ACHF across the state.

FY14-15 Appropriations Language—History Partnerships: \$2,000,000 the first year and \$2,000,000 the second year are for partnerships involving multiple organizations, which may include the Minnesota Historical Society, to preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's history and cultural heritage in all regions of the state.

Partnerships that include the Minnesota Historical Society

PRESERVING

Minnesota Main Street Partnership \$150,500

Partners: Preservation Alliance of Minnesota (primary), University of Minnesota Extension Center for Community Vitality, University of Minnesota Tourism Center, GreenStep Cities, Minnesota Design Team

The Minnesota Main Street program is a proven, comprehensive strategy that helps communities create new jobs and businesses while revitalizing buildings and preserving their historic downtowns. The Minnesota Historical Society's Historic Preservation Department is working with the partners listed above to implement Minnesota Main Street, which provides the tools, training, information, and networking communities need to revitalize their business districts.

There are currently seven Minnesota Main Street Designated Communities: Faribault, New Ulm, Red Wing, Willmar, Winona, Owatonna, and Shakopee. In the first three quarters of 2014, these cities gained 64 full-time jobs, 31 part-time jobs, and 5 new businesses. During that same time, eight businesses expanded while staying within their downtowns. Volunteers contributed more than 4,700 hours. These cities also saw 56 building rehabilitation projects completed, valued at over \$5.8 million. In addition, there are more than 25 associate member communities that receive access to networking opportunities and discounted admissions to trainings.

Preservation Education Partnership \$80,000

Partner: Preservation Alliance of Minnesota

The Preservation Education Partnership with MNHS launched in 2014. Called Cornerstone Academy, this statewide preservation education program has developed training series for homeowners, professionals, communities, and the new Realtor® Certification continuing education workshop, which gives real estate agents a range of information to share with buyers and sellers. The majority of Cornerstone's summer classes sold out.

As more people show interest in caring for our historical built environment, those who attend these classes (and those with whom they interact) spread preservation knowledge. MNHS sites are often used as workshop classrooms through this partnership, further demonstrating the value of historic spaces. In the coming year,

Cornerstone Academy will continue to inform, motivate, and connect people to places with classes in the Twin Cities and greater Minnesota.

Historic Preservation Corps

Demonstration Year \$125,000

Partner: Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps

The Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps and Minnesota Historical Society are demonstrating findings in the thorough, careful business plan that established the financial viability of a historic preservation activity built on a conservation corps model. The demonstration year provides training for the initial historic preservation crew and focuses on pioneer cemetery preservation.



MNHS uses the power of history to transform lives, and the History Hound mascot helps spread the word at events like the Minnesota State Fair parade.

SHARING

Minnesota History Day and Programming at the State Fair \$45,200

Partner: The Minnesota State Fair Foundation

The Minnesota Historical Society and the Minnesota State Fair Foundation are increasing awareness and knowledge of Minnesota history by providing quality programming for visitors to the Great Minnesota Get-Together. In 2014 the partners added new visual and writ-

ten content for the Minnesota State Fair History Walking Tour brochure, new audio and visual content to the smart phone tour component, and presented audio/visual content via social media throughout the fair. Some 33,000 brochures were distributed throughout the fairgrounds during the 2014 run of the fair. Fairgoers also celebrated Minnesota History Day at the State Fair on Sept. 1, 2014, with live multicultural entertainment, history trivia contests, kids' crafts, historical characters, and more. Minnesota fairgoers had great things to say about the Minnesota State Fair History Walking Tour:

“Great history of the fair and we learned new things.”

“Great learning adventure and lots of exercise.”

“Interesting information led us to various locations that we most likely would not have seen.”

“I didn't know some of the places existed. Yay for learning!”

“Learning new things about my state and the Fair!”

“We look forward to it every year! My son loves the hunt”

Somali Oral History Project \$100,000

Partner: Macalester College

The goal of this project is to record the history of Somalis in Minnesota through interviews of 44 Somali immigrants across the state. Professor Ahmed Samatar from Macalester College is guiding the process, consulting with the Minnesota Historical Society on who to interview and how to best serve the community with this project. Professor Samatar is regarded as a world-renowned international and Somali studies professor. Macalester students are assisting with the project as paid interns, aiding with the research while gaining valuable work experience.

The interviewers for this project are Ahmed Yusuf, author of *Somalis in Minnesota*, a book recently published by MNHS Press. He completed 24 interviews in the Twin Cities with Somalis from diverse backgrounds. The other interviewer, Ibrahim Hirsi, is a respected reporter for MinnPost. He is interviewing 20 Somalis in Greater Min-

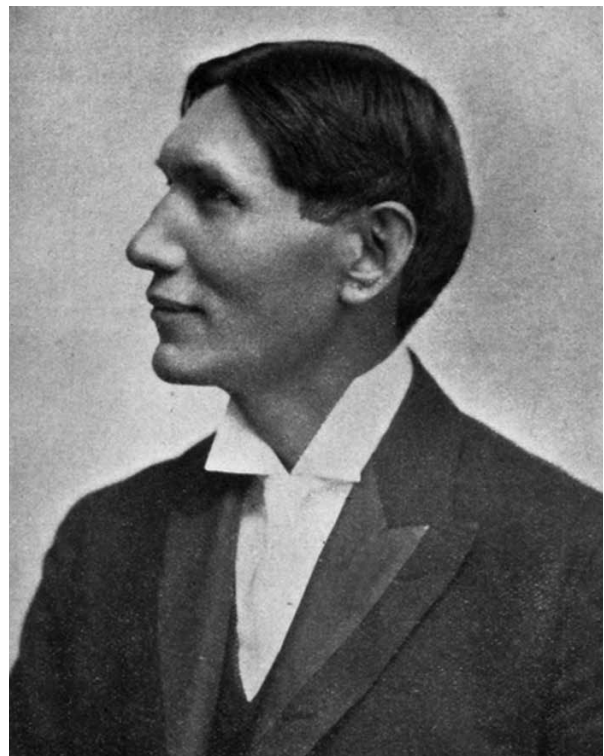
nesota. To date, he has traveled to Mankato, Winona, and Rochester to conduct interviews.

When complete, the interviews will be published as books that can be used as primary sources by the MNHS library and education departments. The interviews will also be added to the MNHS online collection of oral histories, the largest such collection in the country, collections.mnhs.org/voicesofmn, and as material on the “Becoming Minnesotan” site, education.mnhs.org/immigration, which uses oral history excerpts to help educate students on immigration. The site averages more than 13,000 unique views per month.

***Ohiyesa: The Soul of an Indian* Documentary \$100,000**

Partner: Dakota Eastman Productions

A Legacy partnership between MNHS and Dakota Eastman Productions is supporting the creation of *Ohiyesa: The Soul of an Indian*, an hour-long documentary. The work follows a young Dakota woman, Kate Beane, as she examines the extraordinary life of her celebrated relative, Charles Eastman (Ohiyesa, 1858-1939) from his traditional Dakota boyhood, through education at Dartmouth College, and in later roles as physician, author, lecturer, and Native American advocate. It is hoped the documentary will eventually be broadcast on public television.



Dr. Charles A. Eastman (Ohiyesa) is the subject of a documentary.

CONNECTING

Library Outreach Programs\$91,800

Partner: The Minnesota Regional Public Library System
MNHS and regional public libraries across Minnesota are combining resources to educate, entertain and build community among library patrons in the state. Libraries and MNHS are bringing a range of programs and events to local libraries that document and preserve community stories for future generations, educate people of all ages about the history of Minnesota and its people, and make high quality history programming accessible to all Minnesotans.

More than 100 programs were presented in dozens of communities around the state, including:

- A fur trade interactive experience
- Historical craft workshops
- Lectures on historic Minnesota homes
- Genealogy workshops
- An interactive history mystery for teens
- History Player performances
- Lectures on the history of beer and brewing in Minnesota
- An exhibit by American Indian teen photographers

Neighborhood Leadership Program \$85,200

Partner: The Amherst H. Wilder Foundation
The Minnesota Historical Society and the Wilder Foundation worked with two new groups of existing and emerging community leaders in 2014 to enhance their ability to act on important community issues.

During each six-month program, 245 participants explored neighborhood involvement and developed leadership skills to take effective community action. Program participants were matched one-on-one with volunteer coaches from the community who served as learning partners, mentors, supporters and navigators, assisting participants in real-time application of skills developed during their time in the Neighborhood Leadership Program.

Through visits to the Minnesota History Center, participants also learned about the diverse history of St. Paul and explored the resources available through MNHS. Through this exploration they learned how understanding the history of their community improves communication with community members, framing of

community issues and setting goals and strategies for creating change.

This program has provided a new connection for participants to the Minnesota History Center, many of whom had never visited. More importantly, it has provided MNHS with a new way of engaging with the greater community.

Neighborhood Leadership Program participants said:

“History and community improvement go hand in hand. Working to change a community will affect future history.”

“Before this training I felt like an outsider to St. Paul even though I worked here for three years. Now I feel like I am a part of the community with the info I gained.”

“As someone who lives in St. Paul but who was born and raised in another country, learning more about the history of this place helps me orient myself and identify my place within the community.”

Educational Achievement \$60,000

Partners: Northland Schools, Remer, and Washington Technology Magnet School, St. Paul

Improving the educational achievement of Minnesota's students is a strategic priority for MNHS. The Education Achievement initiative allows MNHS to create partnerships with two school districts—one rural and one urban—and evaluate how a variety of educational programs measurably improve student achievement across multiple grade levels.

The two partnership schools receive funding to enrich their history instruction for students in grades 6-12. Over the next six years, MNHS will study the impact of the *Northern Lights* sixth grade social studies textbook, National History Day in Minnesota, and other classroom resources on student learning and engagement. Each school also participates in joint field trips to MNHS sites and museums, including overnight stays.

For rural and urban students, this is a chance to expand their knowledge of Minnesota and American history and

visit places that are traditionally outside of their reach. MNHS educators will use the partnership schools to test materials and programs that can then be applied to other schools around the state.



Undergraduates at Minnesota colleges are trained to become National History Day in Minnesota mentors for History Day students at inner city and rural schools.

Education Outreach Partnership\$50,200

Partners: Minneapolis and St. Paul Public Schools, St. Cloud State University, Minnesota State University, Moorhead, the University of Minnesota, St. Paul College, Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES)

Education Outreach Partnerships are designed to strengthen existing partnerships and to create new opportunities for MNHS to deliver transformative educational experiences to students. Partnership dollars were used to leverage matching dollars from the Minneapolis and St. Paul public schools to increase their commitment to contract with MNHS for educational programs such as History Day.

St. Cloud State University and Minnesota State University, Moorhead also provided matching funds for a partnership that enriches U.S. history instruction with experiences at historic sites and museums. Paid internships were provided to St. Cloud students enrolled in the Public History program. MNHS also expanded its summer enrichment programs, adding two new cohorts of the Summer History Immersion Program at the University of Minnesota and St. Paul College. Another summer

program partnership introduced Latino students to IT skills and career paths related to operating MNHS.

Diversity Outreach.....\$127,100

Partners: Minnesota American Indian Affairs Council; Comunidades Latinas Unidas En Servicio (CLUES) for Summer Technology Workshop

MNHS is working to serve Twin Cities area schools with increasingly diverse demographics. Staff members provide support services for students competing in National History Day in Minnesota and American Indian History Day. In addition, MNHS promotes and recruits diverse students for programs that engage participants in history. Two of these programs are the American Indian Museum Fellowship Program and the Summer History Immersion Program. Diversity Outreach staff also engage Latino high school students from St. Paul in the Summer Technology Workshop designed to teach participants how to use Google applications. These funds also provide logistical support for diversity outreach efforts.

“ I had a really great time doing all this research and learning new things about technology. I now have great resources, Google Apps, to help me better in school. I had so much fun doing research at the library looking at pictures, books, newspapers and magazines.”

—*Summer History Immersion Program 2014*

Education Outreach for National History Day\$204,400

Partners: Associated Colleges of the Twin Cities (ACTC), Minnesota State Colleges and Universities (MNSCU), University of Minnesota (U of M), Minneapolis Public Schools, St. Paul Public Schools

Through this program, partners are extending the reach of National History Day in Minnesota. MNHS professional staff members coordinate school services with an emphasis on support for students from diverse backgrounds. Higher education partnerships help build college readiness skills for middle and high school students and strengthen the mentoring skills of Minnesota college students. Undergraduate students from the U of M, ACTC, and MNSCU colleges are trained to become History Day mentors and work with History Day students at inner city and rural schools.

In another component of the partnership, undergraduate students representing all five ACTC colleges participated in a fall semester course designed to increase knowledge about the museum field. During the spring semester these students interned at Minneapolis and St. Paul public schools, mentoring students participating in the History Day program. ACTC Fellows also visited leading museums in the Midwest to compare and contrast MNHS with other cultural institutions regarding content learned in class.

Intergenerational Learning Programs\$98,200

Partner: Minneapolis Photo Center

Minnesotans of all ages participate in inter-generational learning experiences, working together to document community history by creating exhibits, documentaries, and audio tours, which are shared with their communities. All Intergenerational Learning Program projects are shared at legacy.mnhs.org/sharing-community-stories.

One example is *Mazinaakizige: American Indian Photography Program*. Over 12 weeks, seven American Indian high school students worked with the Minnesota Historical Society and PATCKids to investigate historic and contemporary images of American Indians, learn film photography, and create a gallery show of their own landscape Van Dyke prints.

The opening brought more than 50 people from the community to the Minneapolis Photo Center on November 22, 2014, celebrate the students' work. The show will open at the Minnesota History Center in February 2015, and will continue to travel to several public libraries. Student evaluations were overwhelmingly positive; students felt the program connected history to their daily lives and increased their interest in photography and history.

American Indian Museum Fellowship\$76,200

Partners: The Minnesota Indian Affairs Council

American Indian undergraduate students from across Minnesota participated in a unique summer educational experience. The students selected for this intensive 18-day residential program attended onsite presentations throughout Minnesota and experienced hands-on learning about the museum field and other historical and cultural preservation organizations. The students also learned about various career paths and academic requirements for working in these types of organizations, both on and off reservations, as well as particular chal-

lenges faced by American Indian communities related to preserving tribal history.

History Museum Fellows Program.....\$106,882

Partner: University of Minnesota

Through this partnership, University of Minnesota students from diverse backgrounds explored the museum field and issues related to diversity and museums through a semester-long course at the U of M followed by a paid summer internship at MNHS. Students then 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 History Museum Fellows Program also engages students in discussions about ways to address the under-representation of communities of color and American Indian nations in historical organizations and public history graduate programs.

Teaching Heritage Collaboration..... \$50,000

Partner: University of Minnesota

The University of Minnesota and Minnesota Historical Society are collaborating to enhance heritage education across Minnesota. One of the goals is to bring university students out of the classroom. This project engaged the students in field experiences related to the history of Bohemian Flats near the university, as well as the archaeological collections and interpretive programs at Historic Fort Snelling. These projects will help build models for collaborative instruction that brings awareness for cultural heritage awareness and protection. Through the projects, the students will be exposed to the breadth of Minnesota's diverse artifacts, sites, stories and traditions, thus nurturing future generations of professionals who understand the interdisciplinary and collaborative nature of heritage and preservation work. Secondary benefits of this initiative include building better community-institutional relationships and fostering broader public support for cultural heritage awareness and protection.

Administrative Expenses and Indirect Cost Support \$104,318

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Building Capacity of History Professionals..... \$30,000

Partner: Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums (MALHM)

MALHM collaborates with MNHS to develop the capacity of history professionals across the state to serve local communities. This partnership assists with creating online professional resources and is developing a two-day intensive annual training that will distribute best practices to all corners of the state.

Expanding Support and Training Opportunities for Museum Professionals \$30,000

Partner: Minnesota Association of Museums (MAM)

MAM collaborates with the Minnesota Historical Society in providing professional development and support to history museum professionals across the state. In FY15, this partnership will assist with the funding of a part-time managing coordinator to begin implementing findings on history museum continuing education needs.

Partnerships Outside of the Minnesota Historical Society

A Reinterpretation of the Historic Willard Bunnell House\$70,100

Partners: Winona County Historical Society, Theatre du Mississippi

Winona County Historical Society and Theatre du Mississippi will partner to produce a new interpretive program for the Historic Willard Bunnell House in 2015. They will conduct research to produce an hour-long script based on the lives of families who lived in the house and the period they lived there. This new program will create a purpose for a house museum that has been languishing. It will be a new approach to operating a historic house museum that draws on the creative and historical strengths of the partners.

Archaeology Outreach Pilot Program ...\$74,259

Partners: Anoka County Historical Society, Dakota County Historical Society, Scott County Historical Society, Ramsey County Historical Society

Four county historical societies will begin a pilot program in 2015 to provide archaeology and cultural resource management outreach services to local history organizations in the seven-county metro area. The pilot project will address immediate needs of participating organizations, including public programming, data collection, collections care, and staff training, while also

providing valuable insight into the long-term needs of local history organizations.

Partner organizations will hire an archaeological contractor to lead these efforts. Partners will participate with the consulting archaeologist in presenting the project and specific findings at the Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums and Minnesota Association of Museums conferences.

Building Efficiency through Collaboration.....\$ 11,104

Partners: Anoka County Historical Society, Carver County Historical Society, Dakota County Historical Society, Minnesota Association of Museums, North Star Museum of Boy Scouting and Girl Scouting, Preservation Alliance of Minnesota, Ramsey County Historical Society, Scott County Historical Society, White Bear Lake Area Historical Society

The partnership of nine organizations is conducting a study to determine if it is feasible and beneficial for organizations to share resources to meet essential, but not mission-related, functions—so-called “back-office” needs. An experienced project manager or management firm will be hired to coordinate all activities.

The final report will identify if planning or piloting a cooperative back-office solution will benefit history organizations; if so, a plan for doing so will be included. If other solutions—ranging from doing nothing to adopting entirely an existing model that meets the needs of the history field—are determined to be the most appropriate, such a recommendation will be made.

Increasing Capacity of the Northfield History Collaborative\$17,303

Partners: Northfield Historical Society, Rice County Historical Society, Carleton College, St. Olaf College, Northfield Public Library, Northfield News, KYMN Radio, Northfield Arts Guild, Northfield Hospital, First National Bank of Northfield, St. John’s Lutheran Church, and Bridgewater Township

The Northfield History Collaborative (NHC), a partnership of 12 organizations, is using funds to add four new members (Three Links Care Center, First United Church of Christ in Northfield, City of Dundas, and Christdala Evangelical Swedish Lutheran Church) to the partnership in 2015. For each new member, NHC will conduct a collections summary and do a collection survey and storage assessment, along with a scanning project. The NHC will continue to digitize materials for all current partners, expanding NHC’s current online offerings.

Development of a Statewide Aviation and Aerospace History Partnership\$24,200

Partners: Minnesota Aviation Hall of Fame, Minnesota Air National Guard Historical Foundation, Minnesota Aviation History and Education Center, Northwest Airlines History Centre

AirSpace Minnesota (a coalition of independent aviation and aerospace organizations) worked to develop a formal partnership among organizations with similar missions to engage in long-range, strategic planning for coordinating future projects. AirSpace Minnesota worked with a qualified strategic planning professional to facilitate conversations and formalize the partnership through development of a memorandum of understanding and long-range strategic plan. A strategic plan will provide a framework for coordinating the preservation of Minnesota’s aviation and aerospace history, as well as encourage ongoing collaborative activities, such as public programs and events.

Glensheen and Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps Partnership \$22,596

Partners: Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps, Glensheen

Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps is partnering with Glensheen, the historic Congdon estate owned by the University of Minnesota—Duluth, to complete a two-part program.

First, a memorandum of understanding between Glensheen and Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps will establish the partnership. This partnership will allow Northern Bedrock to provide programming for participants and accomplish Glensheen’s historic preservation needs. Northern Bedrock will use the partnership with Glensheen as a framework to partner with other preservation organizations to complete their historic preservation projects.

Second, the partnership will write a strategic plan to rehabilitate a historic trail system constructed in 1908 at the Glensheen estate. The strategic plan will (1) assess the current trail conditions, (2) recommend how to rebuild the trail and outline costs, (3) prioritize segments of the trail and trail features to be rehabilitated and identify the technical expertise needed for implementation, and (4) formally define land ownership with the City of Duluth.

NorthfieldHistorical: A Digital Nexus for Partners in History\$67,616

Partners: St. Olaf College, Northfield Historical Society, Carleton College

St. Olaf College will partner with the Northfield Historical Society and Carleton College to develop a mobile app and website, NorthfieldHistorical, as a nexus for the cultural heritage of Northfield. NorthfieldHistorical will acquaint public users with the places, events, and people making history in Northfield, and on both college campuses.

NorthfieldHistorical will use MobileHistorical software, which allows anyone with a mobile device or Internet connection to complete interactive walking tours of Northfield, including the campuses of St. Olaf and Carleton Colleges. NorthfieldHistorical will also seed future collaboration to promote heritage tourism and spur economic development for the Northfield area.

Southeast Minnesota Preservation Partnership (SEMPP).....\$80,310

Partners: Preservation Alliance of Minnesota (PAM), Kasson Alliance for Restoration, Mantorville Restoration Association, Friends of Mayowood, Denmark Township Historical Society, Friends of Saint Rose, Preservation Lake City, Red Wing Downtown Main Street, Winona Main Street, Winona Area Chamber of Commerce, Faribault Main Street, Faribault Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism

PAM will work to provide its partners with staff support, administration, supervision, and additional preservation and planning expertise. There are two phases associated with this grant: a nine-month planning stage resulting in a strategic plan, and a three-month phase to develop partnership documents for the interested partners. As envisioned, SEMPP will strengthen these organizations by providing direct support to ongoing preservation efforts.

SEMPP will increase awareness of historic preservation’s role to build communities, promote shared values, and develop local economies through hands-on preservation advocacy, community/economic development, partnership building, community organizing, and campaign management. The lasting goals of this 13-county planning initiative are to build an ongoing presence in the region that will achieve incremental preservation outcomes and ultimately create a partnership model that can be exported to other parts of the state. SEMPP will accomplish this mission through a newly hired project coordinator.

Statewide Surveys of Historical and Archaeological Sites



Remainder of stone fireplace chimney at CCC Camp S-142 in Becker County. The camp was in operation from 1934 to 1935. The chimney was documented as part of the Statewide Survey project "Documenting Minnesota's CCC Camps."

Current and accurate data on historic and archaeological sites is crucial to understanding our past and to preserving Minnesota's history for future generations. In FY14, the Oversight Board of the Statewide Survey of Archaeological and Historic Sites (comprising representatives from the Minnesota Historical Society, Office of the State Archaeologist and Minnesota Indian Affairs Council) oversaw the completion of four projects that began in FY13 and has funded three new projects thus far. Additional projects are planned for the remainder of the biennium.

FY14-15 Appropriations Language: \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are for a contract or contracts to be awarded on a competitive basis to conduct statewide surveys of Minnesota's sites of historical, archaeological, and cultural significance. Results of the surveys must be published in a searchable form and available to the public on a cost-free basis. The Minnesota Historical Society, the Office of the State Archaeologist, and the Indian Affairs Council shall each appoint a representative to an oversight board to select contractors and direct the conduct of the surveys. The oversight board shall consult with the Departments of Transportation and Natural Resources.

FY14 projects completed or in progress include:

- **Documenting Minnesota's CCC Camps:** This project compiled documentation about the activities of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) in Minnesota from 1932 to 1941 in order to generate a comprehensive list of CCC camps. It also focused on field survey of 10 known CCC camps in Minnesota, in order to assess their integrity and significance as archaeological properties. One of the camps is on Bois Forte Band of Ojibwe land; it was established by the CCC's Indian Division and retains many of its original buildings. The project report made recommendations on how to evaluate the National Register eligibility of CCC camps and identify which camps might be the best candidates for nomination to the National Register.
- **Archaeological Survey of LeSueur County:** This recently completed project involved intensive field survey of over 1,000 acres of land in LeSueur County in order to add to the inventory of known site locations in the county. Documentation and collections relevant to previously recorded sites were reviewed in order to construct a model of where in the county additional sites might be found. The project resulted in identification of over 60 previously unknown sites, which cover a time span ranging from at least 8,000 years ago to the time of initial European entry into what is now Minnesota.
- **Archaeological Survey of Hennepin County:** This project, scheduled for completion in December 2014, focuses on field survey of lands in Hennepin County in order to increase the number of identified archaeological sites in the county and gain a better understanding of where additional sites might be located. The survey has focused on public lands, mostly in county parks, but has included study of some private agricultural lands in the western part of the county.
- **Cultural Landscapes of Minneapolis City Parks:** The City of Minneapolis has one of the oldest and best-developed park systems in the country. This project, which will end on June 30, 2015, is looking at the historic significance of neighborhood parks in Minneapolis. The project consultant has assembled plans, aerial photographs, and other documents that show how parks were originally conceived and how they have changed over time. The final products of this project will include a detailed methodology for evaluating the National Register significance of city parks and will make recommendations about the significance of a set of individual park properties.

- **Prehistoric Archaeology of the Minnesota River Trench:** This project is investigating the valley of the Minnesota River to describe how it formed and estimate its suitability to have seen human occupation during the very earliest entrance of people into what is now Minnesota. The project team conducted archaeological and geomorphological fieldwork at a number of locations along the river valley in the fall of 2014. The final report will enhance our understanding of this major landscape feature and illuminate its importance to people throughout the long human history of Minnesota.

Additional projects planned for the remainder of the fiscal year include a project to increase the number of radiocarbon dates available from archaeological sites in the state and a Prehistoric Stone Tool handbook.

Reports for completed projects are posted on the Office of the State Archaeologist's website at www.osa.admin.state.mn.us.

Minnesota Digital Library



Images of letters, cards, photographs, swatches, and material dating from the Minnesota Weaver's Guild (MWG) founding in 1940 to 1967 was added to the Minnesota Digital Library's "Minnesota Reflections" website in the past year. This 1954 image is Mary Meigs Atwater at MWG's Summer Weaving Institute.

The Minnesota Digital Library (MDL) is a statewide, multi-institutional collaboration that supports discovery, education, and personal enrichment through digitization of and access to the rich historical resources of the state's public and academic libraries, archives, museums and historical societies, while also preserving these resources for future generations.

The MDL, working with more than 155 of the state's cultural heritage organizations, has digitized more than 210,000 unique photographs, images, documents, letters, maps, videos, and oral histories. This biennium's appropriation from the Legacy Amendment's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund is allowing the MDL to expand the number of historical resources accessible to students and the general public at reflections.mndigital.org, and to work toward preserving the digitized cultural legacy of our state.

Minnesota Digital Library Legacy Stories

Commission of Deaf, DeafBlind and Hard of Hearing archives are now open through the Minnesota Digital Library. Using digital technology the two organizations have taken on the task of opening the collections of Charles

Thompson Memorial Hall, the Minnesota Association of Deaf Citizens, and the Minnesota Academy for the Deaf Alumni Association Museum.

“The history of the deaf community and services in Minnesota is rich with resources and great stories that are only now being told. What is now opened to the public and to scholars is the rich story of the lives and accomplishments of the deaf community.”

—Mary Treacy, librarian, independent journalist, and amateur local historian

FY14-15 Appropriations Language: \$300,000 the first year and \$300,000 the second year are for a digital library project to preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota images, documents, and historical materials. The Minnesota Historical Society shall cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan system and shall jointly share this appropriation for these purposes.

Civil War Commemoration Task Force



1862 "First Minnesota" Squad after "Fair Oaks."

The mission of the Minnesota Civil War Commemoration Task Force is to promote and share the rich history of the American Civil War and Minnesota's connection to it. With support from the Legacy Amendment's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund, the task force collaborated with community groups and county historical societies statewide to enhance activities intended to result in a positive legacy and long-term public benefit.

In 2014, the task force played an important role in commemorating the 150th anniversary of the Battle of Nashville, where more Minnesota soldiers were engaged in one battle than at any other point in the Civil War. In addition, the task force has led the effort to look after the gravestones of Civil War soldiers statewide and to draw attention to the stories of these Minnesotans.

The Civil War Commemoration Task Force was established in Executive Order 11-15 (2011). The task force has been co-chaired by Secretary of State Mark Ritchie and State Representative Dean Urdahl and is comprised of state legislators, citizens, and a Minnesota Historical Society staff person.

FY14-15 Appropriations Language: \$25,000 the first year is to the Civil War Task Force for activities that commemorate the sesquicentennial of the American Civil War and the Dakota Conflict, as recommended by the Civil War Commemoration Task Force established in Executive Order 11-15 (2011).

Civics Education



Classroom of students, Carver, ca 1905.

The Minnesota Historical Society is administering grants to organizations to support civics education programs for Minnesota's youth. Civics education provides students with an understanding of the democratic foundation of our national, state, and local government and constitutional principles.

Programs run by Kids Voting St. Paul, the Learning Law and Democracy Foundation, and the YMCA has been funded with this money.

FY14-15 Appropriations Language: \$125,000 the first year and \$125,000 the second year are for grants to Kids Voting St. Paul, Learning Law and Democracy Foundation, and YMCA Youth in Government, to conduct civics education programs for the civic and cultural development of Minnesota youth. Civic education is the study of constitutional principles and the democratic foundation of our national, state, and local institutions and the study of political processes and structures of government, grounded in the understanding of constitutional government under the rule of law.



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