



# MNHS ANNUAL REPORT

FISCAL YEAR 2019



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

In my first full year as president of the Executive Council I have seen firsthand the impressive commitment of our staff, volunteers, interns, members, state leaders, donors, and visitors. It is because of this commitment that MNHS is stronger and more vibrant than ever.

I am pleased to report that MNHS had a stellar fiscal year 2019. The Creating Our Future Campaign wrapped up at the end of 2018 having exceeded its goal! Thanks to you, this success will support preserving important historic sites, digitizing Minnesota's newspapers, and investing in educational programs for years to come.

Through exhibits we showcased the history of Somali Minnesotans and 100 years of the Ojibwe jingle dress tradition. In May, rock and roll came to the History Center with an exhibit about the iconic First Avenue, the heart of Minnesota's music scene. At historic sites, preparations are underway for construction to begin on the Historic Fort Snelling revitalization, while much-needed preservation work continued at Mill City Museum. And we said a fond farewell to Lee Radzak, who retired after 36 years as the keeper of Split Rock Lighthouse.

I am also very excited about what's coming ahead. We have engaged the public in a process to solicit their input on the name of Historic Fort Snelling in light of the expanded stories we are sharing there and the revitalization of the site. Thousands of people have given their input through an online survey and many have participated in six forums we held across the state. We are grateful for everyone's participation and insight.

This December, our first permanent exhibit devoted solely to Native American history, *Our Home: Native Minnesota*, will open at the History Center followed by *She Voted: Her Fight, Our Right*, which marks the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment. These flagship exhibits will round out a year of programs and initiatives that draw on our shared history.

Our new CEO and director, Kent Whitworth, completed his first full year with MNHS and has traveled across the state meeting members, donors, legislators, and other key stakeholders. He has joined a strong organization with dedicated employees who work hard every day to collect, preserve, and share the stories of all Minnesotans so they may be known and remembered.

Your support of MNHS makes all of this possible, and for that I offer my heartfelt thanks and gratitude.

David R. Hakensen, president



▲ David R. Hakensen, president

Kent Whitworth, director and CEO ▲

## FROM THE DIRECTOR AND CEO

It has been a fulfilling first full year at MNHS as I have had the privilege to get to know our network of historic sites, extensive collections, and most importantly the remarkable people—staff, board members, interns, volunteers, members, donors, and our many partners—who make this organization what it is today. I am encouraged each day as together we strive to live out the elements of our culture at MNHS—respect, collaboration, innovation, and one MNHS (We are a community with a shared purpose: fulfilling our mission and vision).

Our mission boldly states that we use the power of history to transform lives. To accomplish this, we must act as both connectors and historians, applying the historical process to deepen our understanding of the past and reaching out to people of all backgrounds in ways that bring us together rather than divide us.

The important work of clarifying core functions and identifying new strategic priorities is well underway. Over the next twelve months, the strategies will continue to emerge and the long-term path will become more clear. The pace of our planning is intentionally deliberate and is perhaps best explained by the proverb, "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."

In 2020, we look forward to providing you a multitude of opportunities to engage with Minnesota history. MNHS invites you to research our history, discuss our history, sing our history, dance our history, and even taste our history!

I hope you are energized as you read about several fiscal year 2019 highlights. We certainly could not do it without your commitment to the Minnesota Historical Society! We draw inspiration from your passion for history, your love of our great state, and your loyalty to and generosity toward this amazing organization.

With deep gratitude,

Kent Whitworth, director and CEO

We have **23,005** member households



**2.8 million** people visited our website **MNHS.org**, 4.5 million times

Friends engaged **2.4 MILLION TIMES** on MNHS social media platforms



**1,034,058** GUESTS visited MNHS historic sites and museums

**27,000** STUDENTS AT 193 SCHOOLS participated in National History Day in Minnesota

**223,133** field trip visitors

**2,425 items** added to collections

The Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund provided **\$6.5 million** through **205 grants** awarded across Minnesota

*Northern Lights* student textbook served **60,600** students

MNHS Press sold **121,979** print and ebooks

**2,200** volunteers and interns contributed **56,000+ hours**

Gale Family Library at the History Center welcomed **22,200** researchers



Using the Power of History to Transform Lives  
PRESERVING > SHARING > CONNECTING

My History Matters because I can help make a difference in the FUTURE #MyHistoryMatters

#MyHistoryMatters  
Follow MNHS on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter to see what Minnesotans are saying about why their history matters.

# MINNESOTA'S HISTORICAL RESOURCES

Sharing access to meaningful places, programs, resources, events, services, and exhibits



## VISITATION

Attendance dropped 7% from the previous fiscal year due in part to a change in the way visitors are reported at the State Capitol. Highlights included:

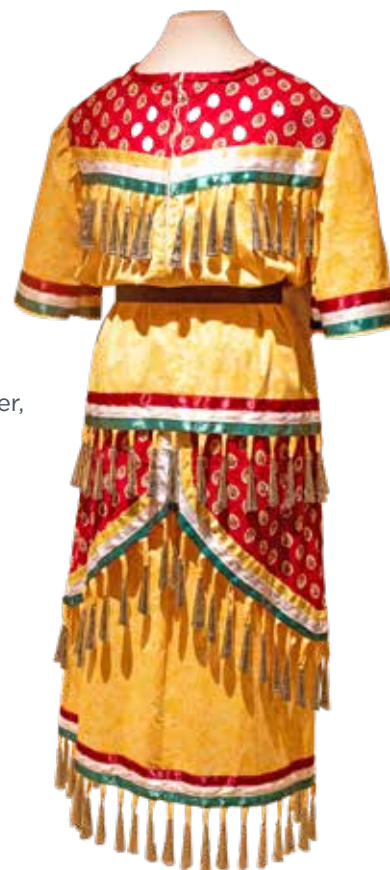
- 1,034,058 visitors
- 223,133 field trip visitors
- 23,005 member households
- 2.4 million engagements with MNHS on social media
- 2.8 million visitors to our website MNHS.org, 4.5 million times



## HISTORIC SITES & MUSEUMS

Highlights from MNHS' network of 26 historic sites and museums included a jingle dress exhibit, a lighthouse legacy, and more:

- MNHS historic sites and museums became part of the national Blue Star Museums program, which offered free general admission to active-duty military personnel and their families during the summer at museums across the country.
- Split Rock Lighthouse's longest-serving keeper, Lee Radzak, retired in April after nearly four decades caring for the National Historic Landmark. The news made national and international headlines.
- Mille Lacs Indian Museum and Trading Post shared the history of the Ojibwe jingle dress with the exhibit *Ziibaaska' iganagooday: The Jingle Dress at 100*.
- Mill City Museum launched the first major update to the interactive Water Lab since the museum opened in 2003.



- Jeffers Petroglyphs offered extended Saturday hours, staying open until 7 pm so visitors could see the rock carvings at dusk.
- The History Center offered a wide range of programs in support of *The 1968 Exhibit*, including MLK Weekend closing programs; community programs at Hallie Q. Brown Community Center, Greater Friendship Missionary Baptist Church, the Capri Theatre, and others; and a presentation by Vice President Walter Mondale.



## EXHIBITS

History Center exhibits invited guests to relive their favorite music memories and more:

**first avenue** STORIES of MINNESOTA'S MAINROOM  
AT THE HISTORY CENTER



SOMALIS + MINNESOTA



Irvine Community Gallery exhibits explored topics about immigration and incarceration rates in Minnesota, and showcased the photography of Wing Young Huie and Native American teens.





## MNHS PRESS

Books about a Minnesota rock legend and the golden era of department store shopping propelled readership of MNHS Press titles:

- 121,979 print and ebooks sold, up 11%
- 333,786 unique users viewed 770,418 pages on MNopedia, up 17%



## GALE FAMILY LIBRARY AND DIGITAL PRESERVATION & ACCESS

MNHS dramatically improved access to collections while welcoming researchers of all ages:

- The library served 22,200 in-person and correspondence research requests.
- A new in-house digitization process allowed for 1.3 million pages to be added into the Minnesota Digital Newspaper Hub, bringing the page count to three million, representing nearly 700 newspapers in all 87 Minnesota counties dating back to 1849.



- The National Endowment for the Humanities provided MNHS a sixth grant to support participation in the National Digital Newspaper program.
- Staff digitized more than 94 government record and manuscript collections, which are now available online.



## COLLECTIONS

From Green Giant to Charles A. Lindbergh, MNHS added 2,425 new items to the collections:

- Early Prince press kit and demo tape, a personal travel Bible, and a handwritten note to his lawyer.
- A photograph collection of Lindbergh on his return to the United States aboard the *USS Memphis* following his historic flight to France, and Navy flight goggles he wore in the 1930s.
- An 1853 Ojibwe translation of a Church of England prayer book, including sacraments, psalms, and hymns.
- Tools made by a sculpture professor to help students with limited mobility and photos of the students using them. ▼



- The manuscript collection of Maud Hart Lovelace, author of the Betsy-Tacy series.
- Several paintings by St. Paul artist Clara Mairs.
- Objects and manuscripts from the Green Giant Company, transferred from the LeSueur County Historical Society.



*Double Portrait: Clara and Clem* by Clara Mairs  
oil on canvas  
Gift of Kathleen M. Daniels

### Archaeology highlights included:

- The completion of survey and excavation work in connection with the Historic Fort Snelling revitalization project that revealed the foundations of two 19th-century buildings, and military and Native tool-making artifacts.
- A tour of archaeological sites around Lake Vermilion in St. Louis County for elders from the Bois Forte Band of Ojibwe.
- The addition of 45 collections for a total of 15,035 artifacts, representing field work conducted across 19 counties over the past seven years.



Sprout alarm clock.



Charles A. Lindbergh on the *USS Memphis*. About 1927.

# EDUCATIONAL RELEVANCE

Providing context and connecting the present with the past



CHARLES LINDBERGH HOUSE AND MUSEUM

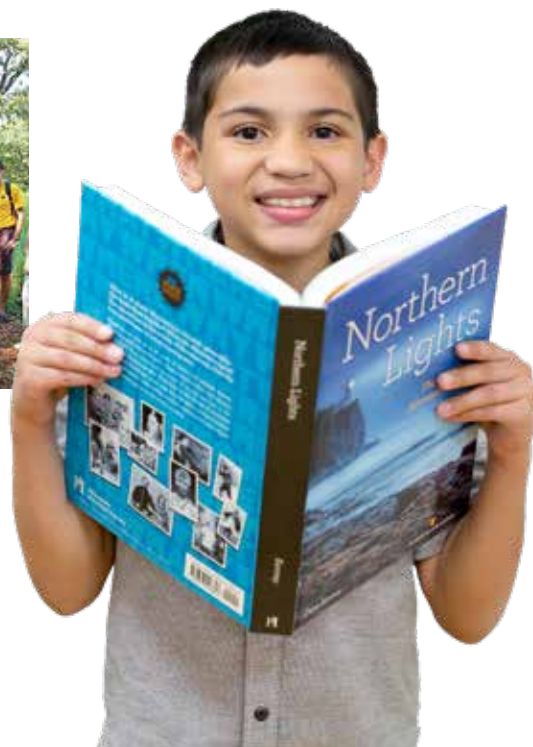
## EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING

MNHS helped students connect with the past while developing critical-thinking skills:

- 223,133 students and chaperones visited MNHS historic sites and museums on field trips.
- 20,401 students across Minnesota benefited from bus subsidies through the Legacy Field Trip Support Fund.
- 11,530 students from greater Minnesota benefited from bus and accommodation subsidies through the MacMillan Field Trip Transportation Grant.
- *Northern Lights* student print and digital textbook served 60,600 students, or 83% of Minnesota's 6th graders.



- 2,251 teachers participated in workshops, presentations, and sessions.



## NATIONAL HISTORY DAY

More than 27,000 Minnesota students participated in National History Day, with two students taking home medals at the national competition:

- Abigail Peterson, North Lakes Academy, Forest Lake (above, 6th from left)
- Kevin Torstenson, Murray Middle School, St. Paul (above, 4th from left)



# INCLUSION & DIVERSITY

Welcoming and serving all communities

## NATIVE AMERICAN INITIATIVES

MNHS worked to build relationships with and advocate for Native peoples across Minnesota and beyond:

- MNHS launched the Native American Undergraduate Fellowship through a generous grant from The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. The program provides hands-on experience for Native American students interested in pursuing careers in cultural heritage fields. ▼
- The History Center hosted the Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums conference with more than 300 guests.



MNHS undergraduate fellows participate in statewide outreach programs. ▲▶



Luqman Mohamed, a college intern, advised on the *Somalis + Minnesota* exhibit.

## DEPARTMENT OF INCLUSION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Building relationships with African Americans and an innovative new memory loss program led diversity efforts last year:

- A new initiative to build sustainable relationships with specific communities got underway beginning with strategies to engage African Americans long-term. ▶
- The Heritage Studies and Public History master's program, a partnership with the University of Minnesota, celebrated its first graduating class.
- MNHS launched the US version of the award-winning House of Memories free dementia awareness program, originally developed in the UK by National Museums Liverpool. ▼



- The Woodbury Police collaborated with MNHS to develop new implicit bias training using *The 1968 Exhibit* to examine relationships between police and communities in the 1960s and today.
- Eighteen college fellows and 28 teen interns participated in programs that offer career building opportunities for traditionally underrepresented communities and tribal sovereign nations.



Maren Levad, MNHS and Carol Rogers, National Museums Liverpool



# SUSTAINABILITY & STEWARDSHIP

Ensuring valued services now and for future generations



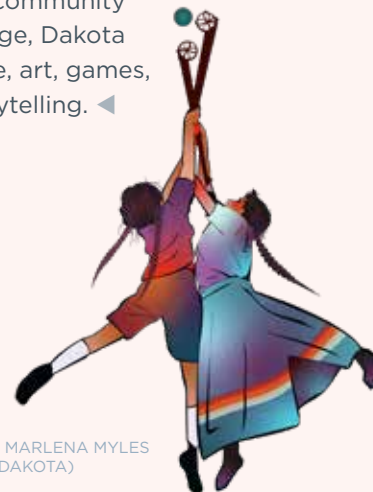
## HISTORIC FORT SNELLING

As preparations for the construction of the Historic Fort Snelling revitalization project got underway, MNHS continued development of new programs, including:

- A new tour about the lives of women at Fort Snelling and a new station where staff shared stories of the 25th Infantry, a segregated African American unit known as Buffalo Soldiers. ▶
- MNHS hired Chris Belland, a captain in the Minnesota Army National Guard, as the new program and outreach manager of veterans relations.
- In addition to the Blue Star Museums program, MNHS offered free general admission for veterans, Native Americans, and their families.



- *Minnesota's Secret Language School*, an exhibit developed by the Twin Cities Japanese American Citizens League, showcased the stories of nearly 6,000 Japanese Americans who trained as linguists to fight in the Pacific theater during World War II. ◀
- In May, the third Dakhóta Omníciye, or gathering, was held with Dakota community members and allies sharing community knowledge, Dakota language, art, games, and storytelling. ◀



ARTWORK BY MARLENA MYLES (SPIRIT LAKE DAKOTA)

## 2019 LEGISLATIVE SESSION HIGHLIGHTS



MNHS is thankful for the following appropriations from the 2019 legislative session:

- \$45.8 million for operations for the biennium, plus an operating adjustment of \$850,000.

- \$32.9 million for the biennium from the Legacy Amendment's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund to support programs, including statewide grants that help preserve and share Minnesota history.
- Passage of a statutory change to permit local governments to fund history organizations.

## STATEWIDE PRESERVATION

MNHS preservation projects included care for the statewide network of historic sites and museums, partnership programs, and Legacy funding:

- Statewide preservation projects included:
  - Conditions assessment for the MNHS 3D objects warehouse
  - Infrastructure improvements to prepare the Kellogg Center to house MNHS archaeology staff and the Office of the State Archaeologist ▼

- Window replacement at the History Center
- Asset preservation projects included:
  - Ongoing preservation of the Ruin Courtyard walls at Mill City Museum
  - Maintenance and repair at Split Rock Lighthouse, Fort Ridgely, and the Forest History Center
- MNHS partnered with the Preservation Alliance of Minnesota and Northern Bedrock to provide preservation training and rehabilitation work statewide.
- The Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund provided \$6.5 million through 205 grants awarded across Minnesota, including:
  - City of Orono, Hennepin County, archaeological survey of Big Island Amusement Park



- Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center Authority, St. Louis County, repair of the bulk freighter William A. Irvin museum ▲
- Sinclair Lewis Foundation, Sauk Centre, Stearns County, predevelopment of the Sinclair Lewis Boyhood Home and Carriage House for reuse
- Norwegian-American Historical Association, Northfield, Rice County, digitization plan for the O.E. Rolvaag Collection allowing for greater public access





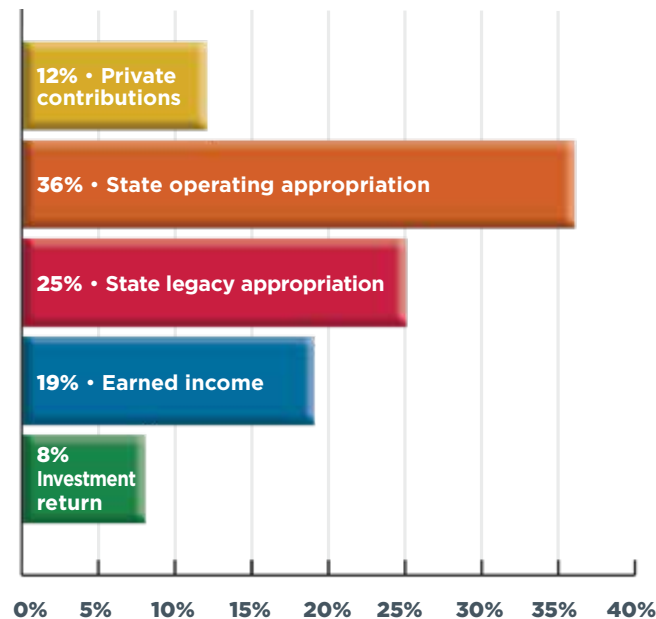
As a nonprofit, we serve the people of Minnesota. Our annual budget of about \$60 million comes from three sources that work together to bring the public vibrant, crucial programs, and services: private funding, earned revenue, and public funding, including significant funding from the State of Minnesota.

Public funds, including funding from the state's general fund, provide a foundation of support and enable us to leverage non-public funds to create a nationally recognized history program. Typically, two-thirds of our operating funds come from the State of Minnesota. We deliver functions designated by law, such as preserving historic landmarks and resources, managing critical records and collections, and operating cultural destinations important to tourism. State support also includes capital funding

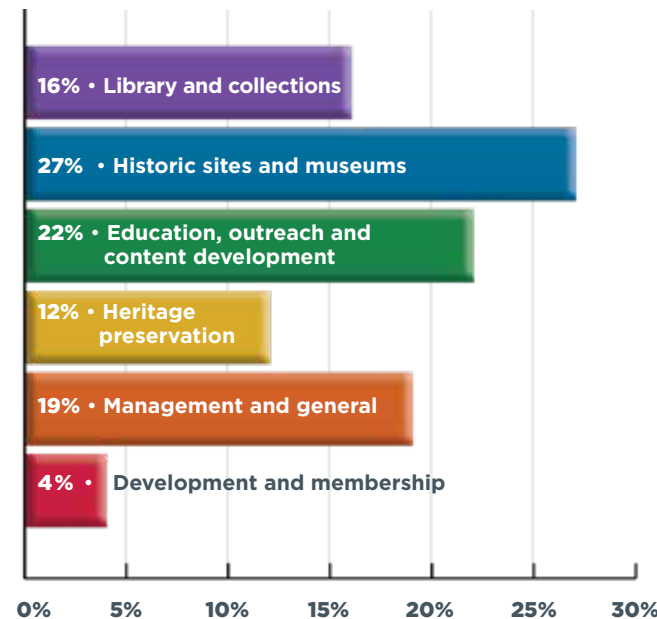
to preserve historic buildings and construct new ones, as well as Legacy Amendment (Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund) support for new, statewide history programs, including grants for local history organizations.

The Minnesota Historical Society also receives support from donors and members. Their gifts support everything from general operations and school field trips to important acquisitions, conservation work, and community outreach. Endowment funds give MNHS strength for today and tomorrow. Finally, earned revenue from rental events, museum stores, admission fees, publication sales, and many other activities also provide a base of funding while keeping history accessible and at family-friendly prices.

SOURCES OF SUPPORT AND REVENUE



EXPENSES BY PROGRAM AREA



**Condensed Balance Sheet** As of June 30, 2019 (000's) omitted

	Without Donor Restrictions			With Donor Restrictions			Total
	Operating	Plant fund	Board-designated endowment	State appropriations	Other	Perpetually Restricted	2019
Cash and investments	\$ 11,818		7,183	(3,555)	31,916	75,645	\$ 123,007
Receivables	1,680			36,848	1,501	797	40,826
Museum shop inventories	1,131						1,131
Property and equipment net		90,383		4,848			95,231
Total assets	\$ 14,629	90,383	7,183	38,141	33,417	76,442	\$ 260,195
Total accounts payable and accrued liabilities	4,723			1,476	365	296	6,860
Net assets	9,906	90,383	7,183	36,665	33,052	76,146	253,335
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 14,629	90,383	7,183	38,141	33,417	76,442	\$ 260,195

**Statement of Activities** Year ended June 30, 2019 (000's) omitted

<b>SUPPORT AND REVENUE:</b>							
<b>Support:</b>							
Private contributions	\$ 3,016				1,998	3,133	\$ 8,147
County and other grants					92		92
State operating appropriation	23,247						23,247
State legacy appropriation				16,105			16,105
Total support	26,263			16,105	2,090	3,133	47,591
<b>Revenue:</b>							
Admission fees	2,737						2,737
Museum store sales	2,331						2,331
Publication sales	1,472						1,472
Program fees	1,598						1,598
Contract service fees	1,990						1,990
Library sales and fees	256						256
Investment return	1,389		311		903	2,885	5,488
Endowment payout	1,011		(244)		1,742	(2,509)	(19)
Change in value of split-interest agreements							(19)
Rental, parking, food services	1,295						1,295
Other sales, fees, and memberships	688				1		689
Total revenue	14,767		67		2,646	357	17,837
Total support & revenue	41,030		67	16,105	4,736	3,490	65,428
Fund Transfers	(400)				(33)	433	
Net assets released from program restrictions	17,511	1,479		(14,175)	(4,815)		
Total support, revenue, and net assets released from program restrictions	58,141	1,479	67	1,930	(112)	3,923	65,428
<b>EXPENSES:</b>							
<b>Program services:</b>							
Library and Collections	9,469	264					9,733
Historic sites and museums	14,970	1,006					15,976
Education, outreach, and content development	12,288	452					12,740
Heritage preservation	7,135	5					7,140
Total program services	43,862	1,727					45,589
<b>Supporting services:</b>							
Management and general	11,271	101					11,372
Development and membership	2,167	1					2,168
Total supporting services	13,438	102					13,540
Total expenses	57,300	1,829					59,129
Net increase (decrease) in net assets	841	(350)	67	1,930	(112)	3,923	6,299
Net assets at beginning of year	9,065	90,733	7,116	34,735	33,164	72,223	247,036
Net assets at end of year	\$ 9,906	90,383	7,183	36,665	33,052	76,146	\$ 253,335

These statements are condensed from MNHS' audited financial statements which are available at [www.mnhs.org/reports](http://www.mnhs.org/reports).

# CREATING *our* FUTURE CAMPAIGN

*Thank you!*

The Minnesota Historical Society gratefully acknowledges the individuals, families, and organizations who have so generously supported the Creating Our Future Campaign from January 1, 2015 to December 31, 2018. The Creating Our Future Campaign provided substantial investment in three major project areas: the revitalization of Historic Fort Snelling and the Oliver Kelley Farm, educational experiences that reach counties and communities across Minnesota, and digital preservation to expand online access and support learners of all ages.

## **\$1,000,000 +**

The Estate of Josephine (Nicky) Benz Carpenter  
The Mark E. & Mary A. Davis Foundation  
Ruth and John Huss  
The Art and Martha Kaemmer Fund of HRK Foundation for Historic Fort Snelling — International Site of Conscience and the Art and Martha Kaemmer Fund of HRK Foundation  
Betty and Whitney MacMillan  
Raymond N. Plank^^  
Eugene C. and Gail V. Sit Foundation and Sit Investment Associates Foundation

## **\$500,000 – \$999,999**

The Katherine B. Andersen Fund of the Saint Paul Foundation  
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Longview Foundation  
David and Kitty Crosby  
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Thomas^^ and Ellie Crosby  
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Fred and Eleanor Winston  
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## **\$250,000 – \$499,999**

Patrick and Aimee Butler Family Foundation  
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Jane Rae Wilkens

## **\$150,000 – \$249,999**

Annette Atkins and Tom Joyce  
The Estate of Norma Hovden  
The Estate of Hella Mears Hueg

Martin^^ and Esther Kellogg  
Stephanie Kroeger  
The Estate of Betty Meyer  
Michel and Barbara Nelson  
The Thomas and Julianne Youngren Foundation

## **\$100,000 – \$149,999**

Marie H. Ankeny Legacy Fund of The Minneapolis Foundation  
Suzanne Blue  
Judith S. and Richard F. Corson  
Neil C. Danner  
The Estate of Ross T. Dunlop  
George Family Foundation  
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Jean Mattson Larson and Mark Larson  
McCarthy-Bjorklund Foundation  
Minnesota Corn Growers Association  
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Kate K. Piper  
George and Diane Power  
Red Wing Shoes Foundation  
Ken and Nina Rothchild  
Securian Foundation  
The Estate of Elaine U. Underdahl

## **\$50,000 – \$99,999**

Anonymous  
Andersen Corporate Foundation  
Ford and Amy Bell  
The Estate of Clement Engen  
Robert^^ and Phyllis Goff  
The Estate of Anne A. Hage  
Hardenbergh Foundation  
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Minnesota Wheat Research and Promotion Council  
Osborn Family Foundation  
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The Estate of Helen C. Wilson  
Women's Organization of the Minnesota Historical Society

## **\$25,000 – \$49,999**

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The Estate of Betty J. Anderson  
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Martha S. Anderson^^ in memory of Keith Anderson  
James J.^^ and Sally Casey  
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Sugarbeet Research & Education Board of Minnesota & North Dakota  
Thomson Reuters  
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Wells Fargo Foundation

## **\$10,000 – \$24,999**

3M Foundation  
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Athwin Foundation  
Diane Berthel  
Blue Cross Blue Shield of Minnesota Foundation  
Thelma Boeder  
Patricia and Francis Buschette  
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Smead Manufacturing  
Loretta L. Stutsman^^  
Missy Thompson and Gar Hargens  
Benjamin and Debrah Vander Kooi  
Maxine Wallin  
Dorene S. Welck  
Warren and Margaret Zaccaro

## **\$5,000 – \$9,999**

Anonymous  
John and Caryl Busman  
Elaine Tessman Christiansen  
Mitch and Laurie Davis  
Michael and Ann Farnell  
Vicki and Si Ford  
Marion and William^^ Glew  
The Estate of B. Anita Lake-Maykoski  
Barbara B. Nelson  
Bruce and Elizabeth Pankonin  
Dwight and Marjorie Peterson  
Joachim F. Pusch  
Tom and Laura Rasmussen  
Dan Schmechel and Mimi Wright  
Jean and Mark Schroeffer  
Eldon Tessman  
Jeff and Cindy Thom  
Nancy and Ted Weyerhaeuser  
Cindy and Arba Williamson

## **\$2,500 – \$4,999**

Grant and Kimberly Davis  
James and Ann Howard  
Roger P. Kochevar  
Dennis Lamkin  
Russell and Karen Larsen  
Caroline and Andrew Oliver  
Irene M. Ott  
Jon and Glenda Tollefson  
Archie D. and Bertha H. Walker Foundation  
Kent and Sarah Whitworth  
Penny Rand Winton  
The Estate of Wilfred Zalaznik

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**\$1,000 - \$2,499**

American Legion Post 33  
 Thomas J. Arneson  
 Conley and Carol Brooks  
 Barbara and Thomas^^ Brown  
 Elaine A. Canton  
 The Chinese Heritage Foundation Fund  
 of the Minneapolis Foundation  
 David J. Gerdes  
 Marshall^^ and Elizabeth^^ Hatfield  
 Karen A. and Charles W. Humphrey  
 Bruce E. and Terry L. Hutchins  
 Betsy Johnston Family  
 Thomas M. Kurihara  
 Carolyn Larson  
 John Lavander and Nancy Owen  
 Douglas C. Myhre  
 Maj. General Rick Nash and Jeanette Nash  
 Mike and Jean Oberle  
 Maureen Ogle and William Robinson  
 Warren H. Olson  
 Diane Ondrey^^  
 Peter and Jacqueline Reis  
 Jim Rustad and Kay Thomas  
 Nancy Saathoff  
 Ellen Mary Saul  
 Mahlon and Karen Schneider  
 Penelope Scialla  
 Dan Shogren and Susan Meyer  
 Brian J. Tomashek  
 Barbara Watts and Bruce Nelson  
 Rufus and Elizabeth Winton

**\$500 - \$999**

Eric and Lori Ahlness  
 Bill Aho  
 American Legion Edward Born Post 343  
 American Legion Brooklyn Center  
 American Legion Frank Lundberg Post 282  
 Margaret Chesley  
 Mike and Lynn Convery  
 Lydia Crawford and Phil Davies  
 U.S. Judge Michael J. Davis and Sara Wahl  
 Megan and Brendon Duffy  
 Stephanie and Eric Fehr  
 Chuck Field  
 Richard N. and Carol C. Flint  
 Steven and Rachel Gibson  
 Meredith Hedenstrom  
 Jack and Carol Hines  
 Cindy and Lawrence Mohr  
 Stanley R. Nelson

Judy Olsen and Myke Rachu  
 Jane Pederson  
 Jim and Sheren Rogne  
 The Estate of Elizabeth Speer  
 Robert Wilmot Family Charitable  
 Remainder Trust  
 VFW Post 425  
 Walmart Foundation

**\$250 - \$499**

5AM Venture M. LLC  
 Carl R. Adams  
 American Legion Post 172  
 Suzanne Ammerman  
 Kristin Anderson  
 Suzanne Bollman  
 James and Janet Carlson  
 William and Charlotte Carlson  
 Paul and Kathleen Ciernia  
 Mark and Rita Dillon  
 David and Nancy Erpestad  
 Carolyn D. Fiterman  
 James E. Fogerty  
 Susan M. Fridley  
 Robert and JoAnn Hanson  
 James and Leane Hewitt  
 Richard and Carrie Higgins  
 Mark Jirik  
 Deb Kreger  
 Jane Larson  
 J. Ashwin Madia  
 Kevin Lee Olsen  
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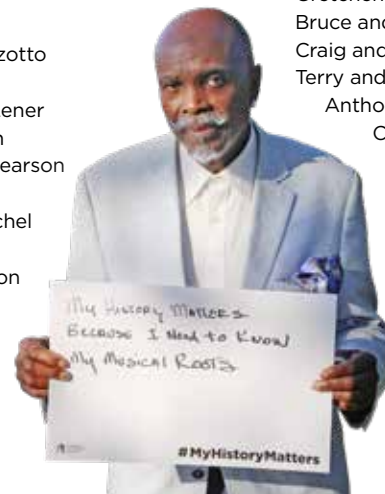
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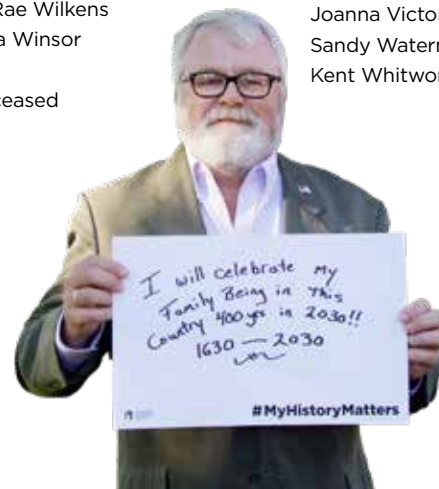
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