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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





LETTER FROM MNHS DIRECTOR AND CEO

The Legacy Amendment passed in 2008 on the cusp of a national recession. With the support of Minnesota voters, the amendment passed overwhelmingly, by a 56-39 margin. With this legislation, Minnesotans said that history matters.

Today we are facing another grave financial challenge. In the wake of COVID-19, many organizations have furloughed or laid off staff, cut programming, and shuttered their doors. As many as one-third of museums said they might close permanently in the next year according to a survey conducted by the American Alliance of Museums in June.¹

The Legacy Amendment provides critical support to help history organizations continue their work of documenting history today for future generations. Since the legislation passed in 2008, more than 850 organizations across the state have preserved and shared Minnesota's rich history through grants, partnerships, and more. I invite you to explore some of these projects from the past year in this report.

Highlights include:

Legacy grants supported history projects across Minnesota. In 2019 the Lyon County Historical Society used Legacy funds to fabricate and install a new permanent exhibit called *Making Lyon County Home*. The exhibit will showcase the diversity of voices who have contributed to Lyon County's story since World War II. Previously the society used Legacy funds to conduct an interpretive plan, research historic themes, and develop the exhibit.

Legacy-funded partnerships provided critical support when the COVID-19 pandemic hit, helping communities to weather unprecedented hardships. The **Minnesota Main Street Program** responded to the needs of 60 historic downtowns across the state by offering digital resources and physical upgrades necessary to meet mandated guidelines for operating during the pandemic.

MNHS, with the support of Legacy funds, helped more Minnesotans see themselves in the stories of our shared past. On Dec. 7, 2019, MNHS opened *Our Home: Native Minnesota*, the first permanent exhibit devoted exclusively to Native American history at the Minnesota History Center. By sharing Native stories of enduring presence and deep connection to the land, visitors developed cultural empathy, increased their knowledge of contemporary Native stories, and as a result took pride and inspiration from what they learned.

The importance of what we do in the history field cannot be overstated right now. So many of us have been searching for meaning and human connection amid all of the upheaval. And that is precisely what history provides. Thanks to Legacy funds the work we do now can help future generations learn how this historic time affected the lives of Minnesotans so that we can all create a better future.

We are grateful to the people of Minnesota, the Legislature, and Governor, for their continued support of history through the Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund.

Thank you,

Kent Whitworth, director and CEO

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On the cover: Legacy funding has supported a wide range of projects, including (clockwise from top) Our Home: Native Minnesota exhibit at the Minnesota History Center, Lyon County's Making Lyon County Home exhibit, downtown Faribault, a Minnesota Main Street program city, as well as archaeology projects across the state, and work to catalogue artifacts recovered from the Lower Sioux Agency in 1968-1976.

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 grants awarded, and projects and programs funded, through MNHS for FY20. This is a change in the reporting structure which previously included a combination of calendar year reporting and fiscal year projections. For this report we are including 18 months of grants so that we can capture the fall 2020 grant cycle. Next year we will return to 12 months of reporting based on the previous fiscal year to ensure consistency across Legacy expenditures.

ACHF history projects are benefiting 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 2019, the legislature appropriated \$32.96 million from the ACHF to MNHS for the two-year period July 2019-June 2021. That appropriation breaks down to \$15.572 million for fiscal year 2020 and \$17.383 million for fiscal year 2021. The legislature divided the fiscal years 2020 and 2021 appropriations to MNHS into the following six categories:

Category	FY20 Appropriation	FY21 Appropriation*
Statewide Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants	\$5,846,000	\$7,004,000
Statewide History Programs	\$5,846,000	\$7,004,000
Statewide History Partnerships	\$2,500,000	\$2,500,000
Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites	\$500,000	\$500,000
Minnesota Digital Library	\$375,000	\$375,000
Additional Projects	\$505,000	0
Total	\$15,572,000	\$17,383,000

^{*}With current economic uncertainties these amounts may be reduced due to lower sales tax revenues.

AT A GLANCE

FOR EVERY \$1 OF **LEGACY HISTORY FUNDS INVESTED,**

Minnesota receives a return on investment of \$2, which directly benefits state and local economies1

INVESTMENT

PER PERSON **PER YEAR**

LESS THAN A SMALL MOCHA AT YOUR FAVORITE COFFEE **PLACE—**that's how much each Minnesotan pays annually for the programs, partnerships, grants, and other statewide initiatives detailed in this report²

Since July 1, 2009, Legacy history funds have supported grants in all 87 counties.

COUNTIES #100,000 OR HAVE RECEIVED \$100,000 MORE

GRANTS SINCE PROGRAM STARTED TOTALLING MORE THAN **58 MILLION**

DEMAND FOR HISTORICAL & CULTURAL HERITAGE GRANTS OUTWEIGHED AVAILABLE RESOURCES³

27,000 STUDENTS GRADES 6-12

PARTICIPATED IN NATIONAL HISTORY DAY IN MINNESOTA IN FY20

59 STUDENTS COMPETED IN THE FIRST **EVER VIRTUAL NATIONAL COMPETITION**

10 STUDENTS EARNED GOLD, SILVER, OR BRONZE MEDALS IN THEIR CATEGORIES

^{1. &}quot;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.

^{2.} Based on the Minnesota State Demographic Center's 2018 population estimate of 5,629,416 and the FY20 appropriation of \$15,572,000

^{3.} Based on \$11,265,573 in overall requests in calendar year 2020 and \$4,770,028 in actual grant awards

HISTORIC RESOURCES ADVISORY COMMITTEE (HRAC)

Legislation specifies that the HRAC, a volunteer citizen panel that guides decisions for the Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program, has balanced statewide membership and includes 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 HRAC consists of 13 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 2020 is:

Jonathan Palmer, St. Paul (Chair)

- Executive director, Hallie Q. Brown Community Center
- BA in psychology, Morehouse College
- Currently completing MA in public affairs, Humphrey School of Public Affairs at the University of Minnesota
- Qualified in community outreach, nonprofit administration, grant writing, grant management, program administration, and governance

Annette Atkins, Minneapolis

- PhD in American history/American studies, Indiana University
- Professor emerita of history, St. John's University
- Former interim executive director, Stearns History Museum
- Qualified in local history, research, governance

Tamara Edevold, Bagley (Deputy Chair)

- Executive director, Clearwater Historical Society
- BA in history, Moorhead State University
- Qualified in local history, archives, exhibits, and collections management

Simiyha Garrison, Minneapolis

- Currently completing MA in Heritage Studies and Public History at the University of Minnesota
- BA in history and Africana studies, Winston-Salem State University
- Qualified in oral history, exhibit curation, collections, museum standards and best practices

Kristy Jeffcoat, Minneapolis

- Senior paintings conservator, Midwest Art Conservation Center
- MA in conservation, paintings specialization, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario
- Qualified in conservation

Ginny Lackovic, Minneapolis

- Associate vice president at HGA
- Licensed architect in Minnesota and meets the Secretary of the Interior's qualifications for historical architect
- Qualified in historic preservation

Robert Mack, Minneapolis

- 45 years of practicing preservation architecture, teaching preservation, service with preservation organizations, and technical writing on preservation subjects
- Author of the National Park Service's Preservation Briefs #1 and 2
- Adjunct professor in architecture and landscape architecture at University of Minnesota
- Qualified in historic preservation

Lindsay Marshall, Baudette

- Executive director and curator, Lake of the Woods County Historical Society
- MS in cultural resource management, St. Cloud State University.
- Qualified in inventory, collections, grantwriting, nonprofit administration

Richard Nash, New Prague

- Member of the MNHS Executive Council
- Lt. general (retired), Army National Guard
- 30th Adjutant General of the Minnesota National Guard (2010-2017)

Matthew Piscitelli, Chaska

- Project archaeologist and digital media manager, SEARCH Inc.
- Research associate at the Field Museum
- Qualified in archaeology, grant administration, community outreach, education, and museum services

Marika Reese, St. Paul

- Director of family and community engagement, Ramsey County Children's Mental Health Collaborative
- Owner/executive director, Ubuntu Care Services
- MA in Education, Augsburg College
- Qualified in governance, nonprofit administration, community engagement

Benjamin Vander Kooi, Jr., Luverne

- Member of the MNHS Executive Council
- Attorney practicing at Vander Kooi Law Offices
- Past chair of Minnesota State Arts Board
- Adviser, National Trust for Historic Preservation
- Qualified in historic preservation, nonprofit and grants administration

Jill Wohnoutka, Bird Island (Deputy Chair)

- Director, Kandiyohi County Historical Society
- Former director, Renville County Historical Society
- BA in history, Gustavus Adolphus College
- Qualified in local history, grant writing, archives, exhibits, and collections management

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:

David Hakensen, president of the MNHS Executive Council

Daniel J. Schmechel, treasurer of the MNHS **Executive Council**

THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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

Below is the list of members who served in FY20:

OFFICERS:

Eric D. Ahlness

Ford W. Bell

David Hakensen, President Phyllis Goff, Immediate Past President Kent Whitworth, Secretary Daniel J. Schmechel, Treasurer

MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL:

Kurt V. BlueDog (deceased) Barbara E. Burwell **Grant W. Davis** M. Mitchell Davis Michael J. Davis Richard E. Engebretson Michael B. Farnell Stephanie L. Fehr Thomas M. Forsythe Steven R. Gibson Phyllis R. Goff David R. Hakensen MayKao Y. Hang Dennis L. Lamkin Jean M. Larson **Monica Little** Richard C. Nash Joseph S. Nayquonabe Krista E. O'Malley Peter M. Reyes, Jr. Daniel J. Schmechel Anton S. Treuer Ben Vander Kooi **Kent Whitworth** Warren J. Zaccaro

EX OFFICIO MEMBERS:

Tim Walz, Governor Peggy Flanagan, Lieutenant Governor Steve Simon, Secretary of State **Keith Ellison,** Attorney General Julie Blaha, State Auditor

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 FY20-21 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 Historic Preservation Office Minnesota State Historical Records Advisory Board **Minnesota's Historic Northwest Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps Rethos** (previously 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 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 FY20-21, 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 a website explained below.

TRANSPARENCY

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

To meet this goal, MNHS has assisted in the building of a website that informs the public about all ACHF initiatives funded through MNHS.

Minnesota's Legacy, www.legacy.mn.gov, was created by the Legislative Coordinating Commission and contains information on all Legacy-funded projects.

Through the end of the biennium, MNHS will continue to post the most current information about historyrelated ACHF initiatives ensuring transparency and responsible stewardship of the funds.

ARTS AND CULTURAL HERITAGE FUND HISTORY **APPROPRIATIONS LANGUAGE**

Session Law Reference: Laws of Minnesota, 2019, First Special Session, Chapter 2, Article 4, Section 2, Subdivisions 4(a)-(b)(6)

Subd. 4. Minnesota Historical Society, FY2020: \$15,572,000, FY2021: \$17,383,000

(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 must 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, 2023. 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 Historic Preservation 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

\$5,846,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$7,004,000 in fiscal year 2021 are for statewide historic and cultural grants to local, county, regional, or other historical or cultural organizations or for activities to preserve significant historic and cultural resources. Money must be distributed through a competitive grant process. The Minnesota Historical Society must administer the money 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) Statewide History Programs

\$5,846,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$7,004,000 in fiscal year 2021 are for historic and cultural programs and purposes related to the heritage of the state. Of this amount, \$250,000 each year must be used by the Minnesota Historical Society to either produce or purchase and to distribute a book to engage and educate elementary school students on Minnesota's natural resources, legacy, culture, and history. The book should be made available for free to educators and libraries and through state historical society sites to provide to a targeted grade of elementary school students.

(3) History Partnerships

\$2,500,000 each year is for history 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**

\$500,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2021 are for one or more contracts to be competitively awarded to conduct statewide surveys or investigations of Minnesota's sites of historical, archaeological, and cultural significance. Results of the surveys or investigations 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, the Indian Affairs Council, and the State Historic Preservation Office must each appoint a representative to an oversight board to select contractors and direct the conduct of the surveys or investigations. The oversight board must consult with the Department of Transportation and Department of Natural Resources.

(5) Digital Library

\$375,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$375,000 in fiscal year 2021 are for a digital library project to preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota images, documents, and historical materials. The Minnesota Historical Society must cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan system and must jointly share this appropriation for these purposes.

(6) Grants

\$200,000 the first year is for a grant to the Minnesota Military Museum to create and conduct a statewide story-sharing program to honor the distinct service of post-9/11 veterans in anticipation of the 2021 anniversary.

\$115,000 the first year is for a grant to the Minnesota Military Museum to care for, catalog, and display the recently acquired collection of the personal and professional effects belonging to General John W. Vessey, Minnesota's most decorated veteran.

\$40,000 the first year is for a grant to the Isanti County Historical Society to relocate, update, and preserve the Moody School and the Grandy Union Church.

\$150,000 the first year is for a grant to the commissioner of natural resources to maintain the history of the Grindstone River Dam at Hinckley.

Any unencumbered balance remaining under this subdivision the first year does not cancel but is available the second year.

REPORT OF MINNESOTA HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL GRANTS



The ACHF-supported Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage Grants Program provides a valuable opportunity for nonprofit and educational organizations, government units, and federally recognized tribes 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, 2,801 grants totaling more than \$58 million have been awarded to 873 organizations in every county in Minnesota since the Legacy Amendment was passed in 2008. This year's report reflects 18-months of grants awarded from July 1, 2019 to Dec. 31, 2020. In this time frame 310 grants totaling more than \$9.6 million have been awarded in 68 counties to 232 organizations across Minnesota.

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

- Small or Structured Grants of \$10,000 or less
- Large Grants of more than \$10,000

Ten 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, assist applicants with technical information critical to submitting a successful grant application, and support recipients throughout the life of their project.

To assure transparency and measurable outcomes of projects, grants staff members conduct monitoring visits required by the Minnesota Office of Grants Management and, throughout the grant life cycle, monitor the progress of all awarded grants.

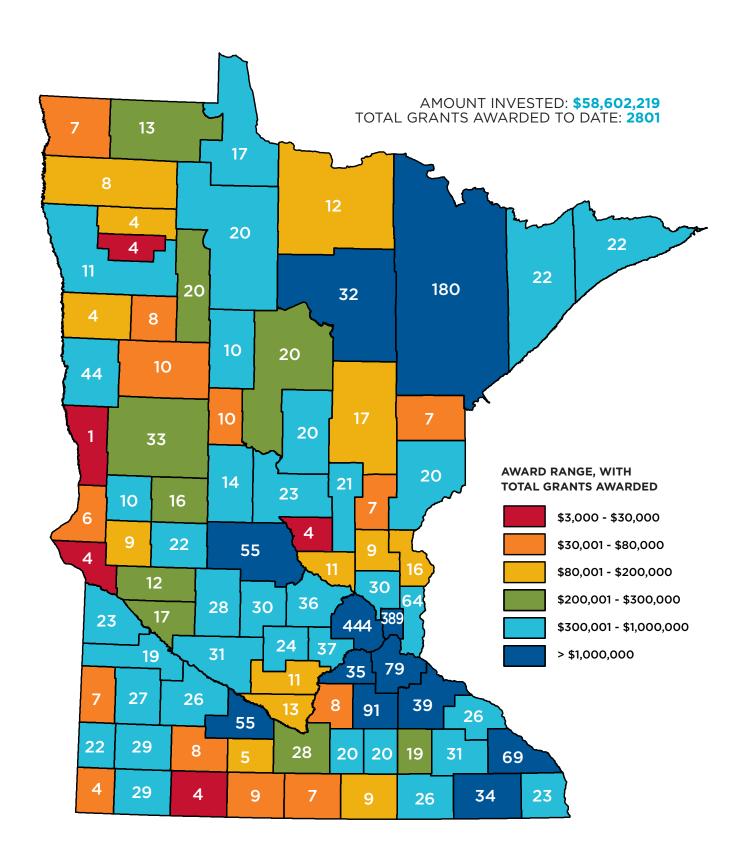
All grants awarded between July 1, 2019 and Dec. 31, 2020 are listed on pages 12-36. Information on projects funded through future grant rounds will be available at www.legacy.mn.gov.

FY20-21 Appropriations Language—Statewide Historic and Cultural Grants: \$5,846,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$7,004,000 in fiscal year 2021 are for statewide historic and cultural grants to local, county, regional, or other historical or cultural organizations or for activities to preserve significant historic and cultural resources. Money must be distributed through a competitive grant process. The Minnesota Historical Society must administer the money 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).

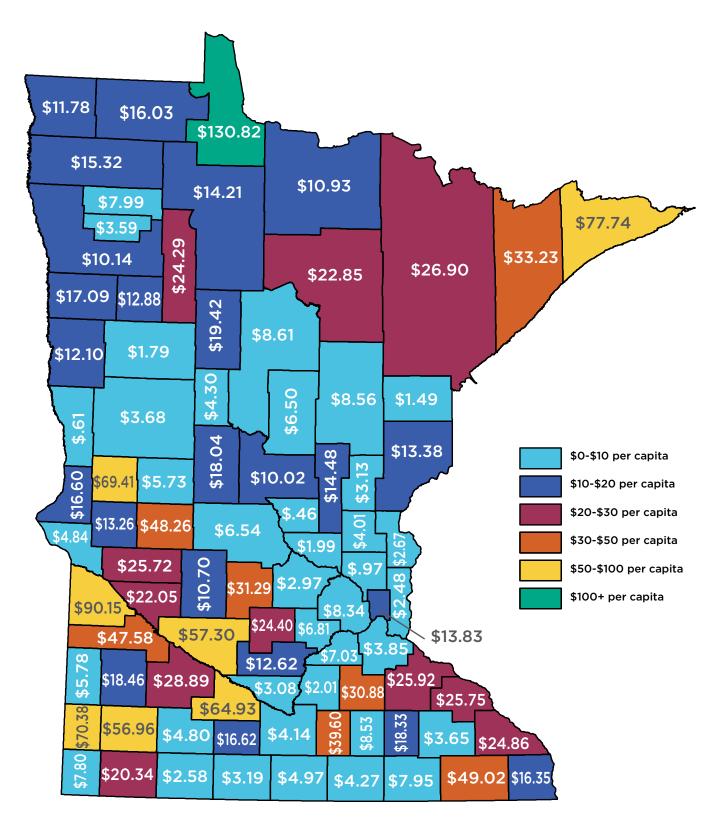
Note: With current economic uncertainties these amounts may be reduced due to lower sales tax revenues.

Above: Historic Resources Advisory Committee virtual meeting, Sept. 24 and 25, 2020.

MINNESOTA HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL HERITAGE GRANTS



TOTAL GRANT AWARD DOLLARS PER PERSON BY COUNTY*



^{*}County population data from the Minnesota State Demographic Center

Senate District 01, House District 01A

Township of Teien

Teien Central Schoolhouse National Register Evaluation, \$9,595

To hire a qualified historian to complete an evaluation to determine eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for the 1904 Teien Central Schoolhouse in Kittson County.

Drayton, Kittson County

Marshall County

Marshall County Courthouse National Register Evaluation, \$6,000

To hire a qualified historian to complete an evaluation to determine eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for the 1900 Marshall County Courthouse.

Warren, Marshall County

Roseau County Historical Society Lighting Restructure Project, \$146,099

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade Roseau County Historical Society's lighting system. Roseau, Roseau County

Roseau County Historical Society Collection Inventory Phase 2, \$9,990

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Roseau, Roseau County

Warroad Heritage Center Acquire Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner, \$9,879

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer/scanner to make microfilmed records more accessible to the public.

Warroad, Roseau County

Senate District 01, House District 01B

East Polk Heritage Center Collections Data Transfer to CollectiveAccess, \$8,410

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Fosston, Polk County

Red Lake County Old Crossing Treaty Park Historical Marker, \$4,990

To design, produce, and install a historical marker in the Old Crossing Treaty Park. Red Lake Falls, Red Lake County

Senate District 02, House District 02A

Clearwater County

Levorsen Mill Site Marker, \$1,009

To design, produce, and install a historical marker for the Levorsen Mill Site in Clearwater County. Bagley, Clearwater County

Helga Township

Repair and Replacement of Nary School Windows, \$363,945

To hire qualified professionals to repair and replace windows at the Nary School (Consolidated School District No. 22), Bemidji, MN, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Bemidji, Hubbard County

Lake of the Woods County Historical Society Exhibit Plan for Lake of the Woods County Historical Society, \$43,260

To hire a qualified consultant to write an exhibit plan for Lake of the Woods County Historical Society. Baudette, Lake of the Woods County

Lake of the Woods County Historical Society Security System Installation, \$9,800

To hire qualified technicians to install a security system to protect the collections from theft and fire. Baudette, Lake of the Woods County

Senate District 02, House District 02B

City of Frazee

Phase I Survey: Frazee's Wannigan Park, \$10,000

To hire a qualified archaeologist to conduct a Phase I survey of Wannigan Park in the City of Frazee. Frazee, Becker County

Mahnomen County Historical Society Acquire Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner, \$9,879

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer/scanner to make microfilmed records more accessible to the

Mahnomen, Mahnomen County

Senate District 03, House District 03A

North House Folk School Jim Scott Fish House Historic Structure Report,

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report that will help preserve the 1907 Jim Scott Fish House in Grand Marais, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Grand Marais, Cook County

City of Ely

Ely Pioneer Mine Retaining Wall Construction Drawings, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for the retaining wall at the Ely Pioneer Mine site, listed in the National Register of Historic

Ely, St. Louis County

Tower-Soudan Historical Society Revision of Architectural Drawings - Tower Fire Hall, \$9,850

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for reuse of Tower Fire Hall, built in 1895 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Tower, St. Louis County

Tower-Soudan Historical Society Construction Documents for Roof and Addition: Tower Fire Hall, \$10,000

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the preservation of the roof and addition on the Tower Fire Hall, built in 1895 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Tower, St. Louis County

Senate District 03, House District 03B

Proctor Area Historical Society DM&N Car Shop Superintendent's Office Building National Register Evaluation, \$9,500

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the DM&N Car Shop Superintendent's Office Building, Proctor, MN, for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Proctor, St. Louis County

Proctor Area Historical Society Proctor Museum ADA Compliance, \$82,813

To improve public accessibility at the Proctor Area Historical Society and better comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Proctor, St. Louis County

St. Scholastica Monastery St. Scholastica Monastery Archives Digital Project, \$10,000

To digitize a collection of archival audio/video recordings, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource.

Duluth, St. Louis County

Senate District 04, House District 04A

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County Increasing Our Preservation Capabilities: Phase 1, \$4,212

To monitor, assess, and make necessary changes to environmental controls in the museum's storage and exhibit spaces.

Moorhead, Clay County

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County Connecting with Native American Scholars, \$7,527

To consult with American Indian scholars regarding research and writing about the Dakota, Ojibwe, and Metis history in Clay County for an upcoming exhibit. Moorhead, Clay County

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County CollectiveAccess Conversion, \$5,660

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Moorhead, Clay County

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County Installation of New Museum Lighting, \$89,446

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade the lighting system at the Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County.

Moorhead, Clay County

Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County Rollag Schoolhouse National Register Evaluation, \$7,920

To hire a qualified historian to complete an evaluation to determine eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for the 1895 Rollag Schoolhouse.

Moorhead, Clay County

Moorhead Legacy Education Foundation Celebrating 150 Years of the Moorhead Area Public Schools: Research, \$8,790

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of Moorhead Area Public Schools.

Moorhead, Clay County

Probstfield Farm Living History Foundation, Inc. **Probstfield Home Exterior Construction Drawings,** \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop exterior architectural drawings for reuse of the R.M. Probstfield House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Moorhead, Clay County

Senate District 04, House District 04B

City of Barnesville Old City Hall Opera House Architectural Plans, \$30,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for the historic Barnesville City Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Barnesville, Clay County*

Senate District 05, House District 05A

Beltrami County Historical Society "A Brief History of Beltrami County" - Revised & Republished, \$3,755

To hire qualified professionals to publish a book on the history of Beltrami County. Bemidji, Beltrami County

Cass County

Munroe Turntable-Roundhouse Survey, \$9,740

To hire a qualified archaeologist to conduct a survey of late nineteenth-century logging activity around the former Brainerd and Northern Minnesota Railway, specifically the Munroe turntable.

Walker, Cass County

Senate District 05, House District 05B

Heritage Group North, Inc. Pine River Backus High School Yearbook Digitization, \$8,485

To digitize a collection of high school yearbooks from 1936-2019, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource.

Pine River, Cass County

City of Bovey

Bovey Village Hall Conditions Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Bovey Village Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Bovey, Itasca County

City of Coleraine Coleraine City Hall Masonry & Roof Repairs, \$122,096

To hire qualified professionals to repair the roof and masonry on the 1910 Coleraine City Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Coleraine, Itasca County

Coleraine Public Library Coleraine Carnegie Library Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Coleraine Public Library, built in 1910 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Coleraine, Itasca County

Senate District 06, House District 06A

Minnesota Discovery Center 2018-2019 Field Collection Inventory, \$10,000

To provide better organization and analysis of archaeological collections, allowing for greater public access to historic resources.

Chisholm, St. Louis County

Senate District 06, House District 06B

Sisu Heritage Inc.

Finnish Apostolic Lutheran Church National Register Evaluation, \$9,000

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the 1906 Finnish Apostolic Lutheran Church in Embarrass, MN, for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Embarrass, St. Louis County

Senate District 07, House District 07A

Armory Arts and Music Center Duluth Armory - Architectural Plans and Specifications for Reroofing, \$20,000

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the preservation of the Armory Arts and Music Center, listed in the National Register of Historic Places

Duluth, St. Louis County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (Duluth -Kathryn A. Martin Library) UMD Library Annex Mechanical Systems Evaluation, \$9.900

To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate how well the current system controls the museum environment.

Duluth, St. Louis County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (Glensheen) **Glensheen Stained Glass Conservation: Main** Staircase Landing - West Window Set, \$10,000

To hire a qualified conservator to restore a significant object in the museum's collections.

Duluth, St. Louis County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (Glensheen) Glensheen Carriage House Exterior Preservation, \$250,000

To hire qualified professionals to make exterior repairs to the Chester and Clara Congdon Estate (Glensheen), listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Duluth, St. Louis County

Senate District 07, House District 07B

St. Louis County Historical Society **Collections Accessibility Initiative- Catalog** Inventory, \$149,942

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources.

Duluth, St. Louis County

Senate District 08, House District 08A

Otter Tail County

Phelps Store Conditions Assessment, \$8,500

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Phelps Mill, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and located in the Phelps Mill Historic District.

Fergus Falls, Otter Tail County

Prospect House Museum

Development of Curriculum: 'Industrialization and Minnesota', \$10,000

To develop curriculum on industrialization in Minnesota for use in Minnesota classrooms. Battle Lake, Otter Tail County

Prospect House Museum

General Conservation Assessment and Development of Long-Range Preservation Plan, \$4,800

To hire a qualified museum consultant to conduct a general preservation needs assessment survey and long range collections preservation plan. Battle Lake, Otter Tail County

Senate District 08, House District 08B

Douglas County Historical Society Knute Nelson House Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Knute Nelson House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Alexandria, Douglas County

Minnesota Lakes Maritime Society Alexandria Boat Works Exhibit Research, \$9,745

To hire qualified consultants to conduct research for an exhibit on Alexandria Boat Works in Douglas County.

Alexandria, Douglas County

Minnesota Lakes Maritime Society Museum Collections Inventory, \$8,773

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Alexandria, Douglas County

City of Henning

Lewis House and Medical Office National Register Nomination, \$9,375

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Lewis House and Medical Office in Henning, MN.

Henning, Otter Tail County

City of Henning

Trinity Lutheran Church Construction Documents, \$10,000

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the preservation of Trinity Lutheran Church (circa 1898), listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Henning, Otter Tail County

Senate District 09, House District 09A

Sylvan Township

Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape Comprehensive Literature Assessment, \$129,980

To write an archaeological and historical literature review of Camp Ripley Sentinel Landscape. Pillager, Cass County

Senate District 09, House District 09B

Bellevue Township

Bellevue Pioneer Cemetery Survey and Location of Remains in Morrison County, \$7,800

To hire a qualified archaeologist to conduct a survey of the Bellevue Township Cemetery in Morrison County, MN.

Royalton, Morrison County

Friends of Linden Hill, Inc. Linden Hill Barn/Carriage House Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the barn/carriage house at Linden Hill, Little Falls, MN, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Little Falls, Morrison County

Todd County

Rock Wall Construction Documents, \$76,000

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the preservation of a rock retaining wall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places as part of the Todd County Historic Courthouse. Long Prairie, Todd County

Senate District 10, House District 10A

City of Brainerd

Preservation Plans and Specifications to Restore and Preserve the Brainerd Historic Concrete Water Tower, \$23,700

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for the City of Brainerd Historic Water Tower, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Brainerd, Crow Wing County*

Senate District 10, House District 10B

Aitkin County Historical Society ACHS Collections Inventory, \$49,940

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources.

Aitkin, Aitkin County

Aitkin County Historical Society Northern Pacific Depot Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Northern Pacific Depot in Aitkin, built in 1916 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Aitkin, Aitkin County

Jaques Art Center

Building Conditions Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Aitkin Carnegie Library, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and used by the Jaques Art Center.

Aitkin, Aitkin County

City of Cuyuna

Cuyuna City Hall Property Evaluation, \$9,999

To hire a qualified historian to complete an evaluation to determine eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for the 1909 Cuyuna City Hall.

Deerwood, Crow Wing County

Senate District 11, House District 11B

City of Sandstone

Robinson Park Cultural Landscape Report, \$80,100

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare a Cultural Landscape Report for the Kettle River Sandstone Company Quarry, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and now known as Robinson Park.

Sandstone, Pine County

Pine County Historical Society Phase 6 - Inventory of Collections, \$7,737

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources.

Askov, Pine County

Pine County Historical Society Lighting Redesign-Installation Phase, \$139,035

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade Pine County Historical Society's lighting system. Askov, Pine County

Senate District 12, House District 12A

Regents of the University of Minnesota (Morris Campus) Digitizing the Oral History Collection at the University of Minnesota Morris, \$10,000

To digitize a collection of oral history recordings, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource. Morris, Stevens County

Stevens County Historical Society Lighting Assessment and Re-design for Stevens County History Museum, \$9,277

To hire a qualified museum lighting professional to develop a museum lighting plan.

Morris, Stevens County

Stevens County Historical Society Digital Conversion of Photograph Negatives, \$6,930

To digitize a collection of photo negatives, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource. Morris, Stevens County

City of Browns Valley **Carnegie Library Condition Assessment with Focus** on the Structural System, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Browns Valley Carnegie Library, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Browns Valley, Traverse County

Senate District 12, House District 12B

Pope County Historical Society News Photo Cataloging and Digitization, \$10,000

To digitize a collection of photo negatives, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource. Glenwood, Pope County

Pope County Historical Society News Photo Catalog and Digitize, \$10,000

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Glenwood, Pope County

The Nature Conservancy Ordway Prairie Historical Interpretation, \$9,500

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of Ordway Prairie and the Fort Lake Johanna Historical Site in Pope County. Brooten, Pope County

Sinclair Lewis Foundation Sinclair Lewis Boyhood Home and Carriage House Construction Grant, \$160,442

To hire qualified professionals to repair areas of the Sinclair Lewis Boyhood Home and Carriage House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and a National Historic Landmark. Sauk Centre, Stearns County

Sinclair Lewis Foundation In Celebration of the 100th Anniversary of "Main Street": A Centennial Presentation Based on Sinclair Lewis's Life and Works, \$90,000

To hire qualified professionals to produce a historical play on Sinclair Lewis in honor of the 100th anniversary of his novel "Main Street." Sauk Centre, Stearns County

Sinclair Lewis Foundation Implementation of Historical Manuscript: Becoming Sinclair Lewis, \$6,200

To hire qualified professionals to publish a book on the history of Sinclair Lewis. Sauk Centre, Stearns County

Senate District 13, House District 13A

Cold Spring Area Historical Society Evaluation of Building Mechanical System (HVAC), \$7,200

To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate how well the current system controls the museum environment.

Cold Spring, Stearns County

Senate District 14, House District 14B

St. Cloud State University (Department of Anthropology)

Archiving and Curating the Douglas A. Birk **Collection, \$71,392**

To provide better organization of the Douglas A. Birk archaeological materials, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. St. Cloud, Stearns County

Senate District 15, House District 15A

Milaca Area Historical Society Collections Software Purchase and Data Migration, \$10,000

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Milaca, Mille Lacs County

Senate District 16, House District 16A

City of Dawson

Dawson Armory Roof Replacement, Site Grading and Water Damage Repairs, \$184,000

To hire qualified professionals to repair the roof on the historic Dawson Armory and Community Building, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Dawson, Lac qui Parle County

Dawson Historical Properties

First National Bank Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the First National Bank in Dawson, MN, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Dawson, Lac qui Parle County

Lyon County Historical Society CollectiveAccess Data Conversion, \$9,500

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Marshall, Lyon County

Lyon County Historical Society General Conservation Assessment and Long-Range Preservation Plan, \$5,300

To hire a qualified museum consultant to conduct a general preservation needs assessment survey and long range collections preservation plan. Marshall, Lyon County

City of Canby

Historic Canby Theatre Construction Improvements, \$39,000

To hire qualified professionals to repair the Historic Canby Theatre, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Canby, Yellow Medicine County

Senate District 16, House District 16B

Brown County

East Attic Level Masonry, Terracotta, and Window Restoration, \$178,773

To hire qualified professionals to repair masonry, terracotta, and windows in the New Ulm Post Office. listed in the National Register of Historic Places and home of the Brown County Historical Society. New Ulm, Brown County

Brown County Historical Society Acquire New Archives and Textiles Storage Shelving, \$9,989

To improve collections care and management through proper storage. New Ulm, Brown County

Brown County Historical Society BCHS Comprehensive Inventory Phase 1, \$9,973

To hire a qualified professional to assess the collections held by Brown County Historical Society. New Ulm, Brown County

Brown County Historical Society BCHS Comprehensive Inventory Phase 2, \$8,982

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. New Ulm, Brown County

Sleepy Eye Area Historical Society Acquire Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner, \$9,879

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer/scanner to make microfilmed records more accessible to the public.

Sleepy Eye, Brown County

Sleepy Eye Area Historical Society Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm, \$10,000

To add 159 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to make primary records more accessible to the public. Sleepy Eye, Brown County

City of Belview

Historic Odeon Theatre Roof Repairs, \$217,000

To hire qualified professionals to replace the roof on the Odeon Theatre, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Belview, Redwood County

City of Clements

State Bank of Clements Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the State Bank of Clements, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and currently housing City of Clements offices.

Clements, Redwood County

Senate District 17, House District 17A

Chippewa County Historical Society Swensson Farm Museum House Condition Assessment, \$20,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Swensson Farm House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Montevideo, Chippewa County

Chippewa County Historical Society Chippewa County Historical Society Security Survey, \$10,000

To hire a qualified and experienced security firm to evaluate the current level of museum security. Montevideo, Chippewa County

City of Maynard **Maynard State Bank Roof Replacement** Construction Documents, \$10,000

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the preservation of the roof of the 1915 Maynard State Bank, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and used as the Maynard History Museum.

Maynard, Chippewa County

City of Lake Lillian Acquire Lake Lillian Newspapers on Microfilm, \$2,895

To add 32 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to make primary records more accessible to the public. Lake Lillian, Kandiyohi County

Lake Lillian Public Library Acquire Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner, \$10,000

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer/scanner to make microfilmed records more accessible to the public.

Lake Lillian, Kandiyohi County

Bird Island Cultural Centre

Tinnes-Baker House Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Tinnes-Baker House, eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Bird Island, Renville County

Bird Island Cultural Centre Tinnes-Baker House National Register Nomination Project, \$4,750

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Tinnes-Baker House in Bird Island, MN. Bird Island, Renville County

Sacred Heart Area Historical Society Hotel Sacred Heart Construction Documents: Phases 2 & 3, \$183,923

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for reuse of the Hotel Sacred Heart, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Sacred Heart, Renville County

Senate District 17, House District 17B

Kandiyohi County Historical Society Sperry House Conditions Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a conditions assessment of the Albert H. & Jennie C. Sperry House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Willmar, Kandiyohi County

Senate District 18, House District 18A

City of Litchfield

GAR Hall National Register Nomination Update, \$6,000

To hire a qualified historian to complete an updated nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Litchfield GAR Hall. Litchfield, Meeker County

Greater Litchfield Opera House Association, Inc. Litchfield Opera House Construction Documents, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for reuse of the 1900 Litchfield Opera House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Litchfield, Meeker County

Meeker County Historical Society Conservation Assessment & Long Range Preservation Plan, \$5,700

To hire a qualified museum consultant to conduct a general preservation needs assessment survey and long range collections preservation plan. Litchfield, Meeker County

Meeker County Historical Society Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm, \$9,947

To add 110 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to make primary records more accessible to the public. Litchfield, Meeker County

City of Cokato **Gust Akerlund Photography Studio Condition** Assessment, \$9,500

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Gust Akerlund Photography Studio, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Cokato, Wright County

City of Cokato

Evaluation of Building Mechanical System (HVAC), \$1.050

To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate how well the current system controls the museum environment.

Cokato, Wright County

Senate District 18, House District 18B

Arlington Historical Society, Inc. Lighting Design Implementation, \$24,724

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade Arlington Historical Society's lighting system. *Arlington, Sibley County*

Senate District 19, House District 19B

Blue Earth County (Library System) Acquire Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner, \$9,995

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer/scanner to make microfilmed records more accessible to the public.

Mankato, Blue Earth County

Blue Earth County Historical Society Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm, \$9,990

To add 111 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to make primary records more accessible to the public. Mankato, Blue Earth County

Minnesota State University, Mankato (Library Services)

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm, \$7,893

To add 97 rolls of microfilmed local newspapers to the library's holdings, making primary records more accessible to the public.

Mankato, Blue Earth County

Senate District 20, House District 20A

Le Sueur County Historical Society Construction Drawings for the Elysian School Roof, \$10.000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for the roof of the Elysian School, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *Elysian, Le Sueur County*

Senate District 20, House District 20B

Montgomery Area Historical Society Level II Property Evaluation Survey, \$10,000

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the historic buildings in Montgomery, MN for possible inclusion as a historic district in the National Register of Historic Places.

Montgomery, Le Sueur County

Carleton College

Seeking "A Better Chance"--African American Students in Northfield, MN 1968-1973, \$9.666

To document in oral history interviews the experiences of African American students in Northfield from 1968 to 1973 through the "A Better Chance" program.

Northfield, Rice County

Northfield Arts Guild Northfield Arts Guild 60-Year History Publication, \$10,000

To hire qualified professionals to publish a book on the history of the Northfield Arts Guild. Northfield, Rice County

Northfield Historical Society Scriver Block Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the First National Bank of Northfield/ Scriver Block, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and home of the Northfield Historical Society. Northfield, Rice County

Norwegian-American Historical Association Digitization of O. E. Rølvaag Papers, \$87,169

To digitize a collection of O.E. Rølvaag's archival documents, allowing for greater public access to these historic resources.

Northfield, Rice County

St. Olaf College

Discovering Musical and Broadcast Stories in the St. Olaf College Archives, \$107,452

To hire qualified professionals to process three archival collections held by St. Olaf College. *Northfield, Rice County*

St. Olaf College

Chronicling the History of Japanese American College Students in Minnesota During WWII (1941-1946), \$10,000

To hire a qualified professional to produce a manuscript on the history of Japanese American college students in Minnesota from 1941-1946. Northfield, Rice County

St. Olaf College

Cataloging Minnesota Treasures in the St. Olaf Archives, \$97,344

To provide better organization of St. Olaf College's archival materials, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Northfield, Rice County

Senate District 21, House District 21A

Cannon Falls Area Historical Society History of the Mineral Springs Sanatorium: Research, \$10,000

To hire a qualified historian to conduct research on the history of the Mineral Spring Sanatorium. Cannon Falls, Goodhue County

The Anderson Center for Interdisciplinary Studies **Tower View Historic Structures Report, \$100,000**

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report that will help preserve Tower View, built between 1915-1922 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Red Wing, Goodhue County

The Artist Sanctuary The Artist Sanctuary Condition Assessment, \$17,800

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Mission Church, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and now used by The Artist Sanctuary.

Red Wing, Goodhue County

Senate District 21, House District 21B

West Concord Historical Society West Concord High School National Register Nomination, \$4,500

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the West Concord High School. West Concord, Dodge County

Friends of St. Rose, Inc. St. Rose of Lima ADA Accessibility Plan, \$13,625

To hire qualified consultants to develop construction documents, including ADA planning, for the historic Church of St. Rose of Lima, Kenyon, MN, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Kenyon, Goodhue County

Plainview Area History Center

Acquire Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner, \$9,879

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer/scanner to make microfilmed records more accessible to the public.

Plainview, Wabasha County

Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Maintaining the Marnach House: Preserving Our Luxembourger Heritage, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the 1857-1860 Marnach House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Altura, Winona County

Rollingstone Luxembourg Heritage Museum Rollingstone Village Hall National Register Nomination, \$4,500

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Rollingstone Village Hall. Rollingstone, Winona County

Senate District 22, House District 22A

Danebod Folk School Danebod Folk School Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the 1917 Danebod Folk School, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Tyler, Lincoln County

Science Museum of Minnesota 10,000 Years on Minnesota's Prairies: Opening New Windows into the Pedersen Archaeological Site, \$193,013

To hire qualified archaeologists to conduct field work and collection processing of the Pedersen Archaeological Site in Lincoln County, MN. Lake Benton, Lincoln County

City of Tracy City of Tracy Phase I Reconnaissance Survey, \$15,000

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate historic buildings in the City of Tracy for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Tracy, Lyon County

Murray County

Dinehart Holt House Phase 1 Construction Repair Project, \$114,766

To hire qualified professionals to repair masonry and stairs at the 1891 Dinehart Holt House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Slayton, Murray County

Murray County

Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Omaha **Turntable Construction Documents, \$23,700**

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the preservation of the Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis, and Omaha Turntable, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Slayton, Murray County

Murray County

End-O-Line Railroad Park and Museum History Research, \$5,893

To hire a qualified consultant to research the history of the End-O-Line Railroad Park and Museum in preparation for a future publication. Slayton, Murray County

Murray County

Phase II: Publication Text Writing on the History of End-O-Line Railroad Park and Museum, \$9,930

To hire qualified professionals to produce a manuscript on the history of the End-O-Line Railroad Park and Museum Slayton, Murray County

Murray County Historical Society The 1920s: A Decade of Change in Murray County (Phase II, Exhibit Implementation), \$9,104

To develop and install an exhibit on the 1920s in Murray County.

Slayton, Murray County

City of Pipestone

Historic Water Tower Plans and Specifications, \$91,400

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for the historic Pipestone Water Tower, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Pipestone, Pipestone County

Jasper Area Historical Society Poorbaugh Building National Register Evaluation,

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the 1889 Poorbaugh Building for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Jasper, Pipestone County

Pipestone County Historical Society Construction Drawings for the Ferris Grand Block, \$56,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for the Ferris Grand Block/Masonic Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Pipestone, Pipestone County

Reclaim Community

Bauman Hall Working Drawings/Architectural Plans and Specifications, \$51,300

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for reuse of Bauman Hall, built in 1908 and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Jasper, Pipestone County

Reclaim Community

Historic Structure Report Jasper School, \$75,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report that will help preserve the Jasper School, listed in the National Register of Historic Places

Jasper, Pipestone County

Senate District 22, House District 22B

Cottonwood County Historical Society Exhibit Research Regarding Lifestyles and Recreation, \$9,900

To hire a qualified professional to research lifestyles and recreation in Cottonwood County in preparation for an upcoming exhibit.

Windom, Cottonwood County

County of Nobles

Worthington Armory HVAC System, \$198,301

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade the Worthington Armory's heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system to bring it into compliance with museum standards. Worthington, Nobles County

Nobles County Historical Society Nobles County History Interpretive Plan, \$29,151

To hire a qualified consultant to write an interpretive plan for Nobles County Historical Society. Worthington, Nobles County

Nobles County Historical Society Acquisition of Nobles County Newspapers on Microfilm, \$9,201

To add 113 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to make primary records more accessible to the public. Worthington, Nobles County

Nobles County Historical Society The Minnesota National Guard in Worthington Oral History Project, \$9,950

To document in 10-12 oral history interviews the history of the Minnesota National Guard in Worthington. Worthington, Nobles County

Nobles County Historical Society Digital Conversion of Photographic Negatives 1940-1947, \$9,668

To digitize a collection of photo negatives, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource. Worthington, Nobles County

Nobles County Historical Society Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm, \$9,689

To add 119 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to make primary records more accessible to the public. Worthington, Nobles County

Nobles County Historical Society Development of a Collections Storage Plan, \$10,000

To hire a consultant to write a plan for improved collections storage. Worthington, Nobles County

Senate District 24, House District 24A

Steele County Historical Society Photo Collection Phase Two, \$61,696

To provide better organization of a large digital photograph collection, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Owatonna, Steele County

Senate District 24, House District 24B

Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour The Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour's Sanctuary **Roof Rehabilitation Project, \$257,565**

To hire qualified professionals to replace the sanctuary roof on the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, located in Faribault, MN and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Faribault, Rice County

Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour Guild House Four Chimneys Construction Documents, \$9,500

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the preservation of the Cathedral of Our Merciful Saviour, Faribault, MN, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Faribault, Rice County

Rice County Historical Society Environmental Monitoring System for RCHS, \$3,245

To monitor and assess environmental controls at the historical society.

Faribault, Rice County

Valley Grove Preservation Society History of the Valley Grove Churches and **Preservation Society, \$9,850**

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of Valley Grove Lutheran Church in Rice County. Nerstrand, Rice County

Senate District 25, House District 25A

Dodge County

Wasioja Seminary Ruins Stabilization: Construction **Documents, \$49,800**

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the preservation of the Wasioja Seminary Ruins, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Mantorville, Dodge County

Dodge County Historical Society Bourdon House Phase III: Construction, \$74,800

To hire qualified professionals to repair various areas of the Bourdon House, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Mantorville, Dodge County

Dodge County Historical Society Wasioja School Condition Assessment, \$9,998

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

Dodge County Historical Society Collections Management System Conversion, \$7,900

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Mantorville, Dodge County

Senate District 25, House District 25B

Hiawatha Homes Foundation Conservation Assessment and Long-Range Preservation Plan of Hiawatha Homes' 45 Year History, \$3,200

To hire a qualified museum consultant to conduct a general preservation needs assessment survey and long range collections preservation plan. *Rochester, Olmsted County*

Senate District 26, House District 26A

City of Rochester Silver Lake Power Plant National Register Evaluation, \$9,550

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the 1947 Silver Lake Power Plant in Rochester, MN for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. *Rochester, Olmsted County*

SELCO Southeastern Libraries Cooperating Research for a History of Southeastern Libraries Cooperating (SELCO), \$10,000

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of Southeastern Libraries Cooperating (SELCO), one of Minnesota's twelve regional public library systems. *Rochester, Olmsted County*

Senate District 26, House District 26B

Olmsted County Historical Society HCOC Lighting Project, \$159,164

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade the History Center of Olmsted County's lighting system. Rochester, Olmsted County

Olmsted County Historical Society Research for Women's Rights Exhibit, \$7,500

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of women's rights in Olmsted County.

Rochester, Olmsted County

Olmsted County Historical Society Gate Visitor Survey, \$5,151

To hire a qualified consultant to conduct an audience analysis for the History Center of Olmsted County. *Rochester, Olmsted County*

Senate District 27, House District 27A

Wells Historical Society Depot and Lunchroom Architectural Drawings and Specifications, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul & Pacific Depot & Lunchroom in Wells, MN, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Wells, Faribault County

Freeborn County Historical Society Cataloging Collections, \$8,409

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources.

Albert Lea, Freeborn County

Senate District 27, House District 27B

City of Adams First National Bank of Adams Condition

Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the First National Bank of Adams, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and used as the Adams Area History Center.

Adams, Mower County

Hormel Historic Home HHH Collections Inventory, \$14,611

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources.

Austin, Mower County

Mower County Historical Society Grand Meadow Chert Quarry Cultural Landscape Report, \$59,738

To hire a qualified consultant to conduct a cultural landscape study of the Grand Meadow Chert Quarry. Austin, Mower County

Mower County Historical Society CollectiveAccess Conversion & Upgrade, \$3,360

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Austin, Mower County

Senate District 28, House District 28A

City of Winona

Winona Athletic Club National Register Nomination, \$6.500

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the Winona Athletic Club. Winona, Winona County

City of Winona

Winona Lake Park Bandshell National Register Evaluation, \$6,000

To hire a qualified historian to complete an evaluation to determine eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for the 1923 Winona Lake Park Bandshell.

Winona, Winona County

Polish Cultural Institute

Phase 2: Development of Exhibit Schematic Design, Related Content and Style Manual, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to write a schematic exhibit design, related content development, and style manual for the upcoming exhibit "They Built Winona."

Winona, Winona County

Polish Cultural Institute Transfer of Database to New Collections Management Software, \$4,515

To hire qualified technicians to transfer collections data to a new collections database. Winona, Winona County

Winona County Historical Society WCHS Image Digitization and Rehousing, \$105,215

To catalog and digitize vulnerable, essential, and less accessible images in the WCHS photograph and negative collection and to rehouse a significant amount of the material, allowing for greater public access to this historic research.

Winona, Winona County

Winona County Historical Society Exhibit Strategic Plan for Reimagining the Permanent Exhibits, \$9,647

To hire a qualified consultant to write an exhibit plan for Winona County History Center. Winona, Winona County

Winona County Historical Society Detailed Processing of Winona's Urban Renewal Collection, \$4,754

To hire a qualified professional to assess the Urban Renewal archival collection held by Winona County Historical Society.

Winona, Winona County

Winona County Historical Society HVAC Evaluation for the Winona County History Center, \$9,900

To hire a qualified and experienced HVAC engineer to evaluate how well the current system controls the museum environment.

Winona, Winona County

Senate District 28, House District 28B

Canton Historical Society 1879 Canton Depot Construction Documents, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for reuse of the Canton Depot, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Canton, Fillmore County

City of Lanesboro Restoring Historic Heimbygda Lodge Exterior, \$66,320

To hire qualified professionals to repair the exterior of Bethlehem Lutheran Church Hall, now operated by the Sons of Norway as Heimbygda Lodge, and listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Lanesboro, Fillmore County

City of Wykoff

Mitchell Saloon Renovation & Stabilization, \$48,750

To hire qualified professionals to repair the Mitchell Saloon, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Wykoff, Fillmore County

Fillmore County Historical Society Collections Management Conversion & Upgrade, \$9,910

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Fountain, Fillmore County

Harmony Area Historical Society Prepare and Submit National Register Nomination for the McMichael Grain Elevator, \$5,000

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the 1879 McMichael Grain Elevator. Harmony, Fillmore County

Lanesboro Historical Preservation Association Organizing the Bounty: Estate Donation Inventory, \$9,900

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources.

Lanesboro, Fillmore County

Giants of the Earth Heritage Center Ola and Per: Phase 2: Exhibit Plan, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to write an exhibit plan for an upcoming exhibit on local author Peter Rosendahl (1878-1942).

Spring Grove, Houston County

Giants of the Earth Heritage Center Norwegian Ridge Farmers Documentary: Script Development, \$10,000

To hire qualified professionals to produce a documentary script on the history of Spring Grove's Norwegian Ridge in southeastern Minnesota. Spring Grove, Houston County

Houston County

Houston County Courthouse: Phase I Rehabilitative Construction, \$71,510

To hire qualified professionals to repair the main entry steps on the Houston County Courthouse, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Caledonia, Houston County

Houston County

Houston County Historic Jail Construction Planning Study, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for the Houston County historic jail, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Caledonia, Houston County

Senate District 29, House District 29A

Delano Franklin Township Area Historical Society Interpretive Plan, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to write an interpretive plan for the Delano Franklin Township Area Historical Society.

Delano, Wright County

Senate District 29, House District 29B

Wright County Historical Society CollectiveAccess Conversion, \$7,300

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Buffalo, Wright County

Senate District 30, House District 30A

City of Elk River

Jackson Street Water Tower Restoration, \$136,367

To hire qualified professionals to restore the historic Elk River Water Tower, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Elk River, Sherburne County

Senate District 31, House District 31B

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Church Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Swedish Evangelical Lutheran Church, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. East Bethel, Anoka County

Senate District 32, House District 32A

North Chisago Historical Society NCHS Collections Inventory Planning, \$6,240

To hire a qualified consultant to prepare a collections management policies and procedures document. Rush City, Chisago County

Senate District 32, House District 32B

City of Taylors Falls

Angel Hill Historic District Residential Design Guidelines Update, \$8,000

To hire a qualified consultant to update design guidelines that will help preserve the Angel Hill Historic District, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Taylors Falls, Chisago County

Minnesota Supreme Court Historical Society Minnesota Supreme Court Historical Society Oral History Transcribing Project 2, \$2,787

To transcribe 9 oral history interviews about the history of the Minnesota Supreme Court to make them more publicly accessible.

Chisago City, Chisago County

Senate District 33, House District 33B

City of Excelsion

Downtown Excelsior National Register Nomination, \$7,000

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for downtown Excelsior. Excelsior, Hennepin County

Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Historical Society Research for ELMHS Exhibits, \$6,470

To conduct research on the Excelsior and Lake Minnetonka areas in preparation for future exhibits. Excelsior, Hennepin County

Island Park Village Hall Preservation Society Island Park Village Hall Condition Assessment, \$9,550

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the 1936 Island Park Village Hall, eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Mound, Hennepin County

Westonka Historical Society Inventory of Museum Collection: Phase 2, \$9,525

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Mound, Hennepin County

Westonka Historical Society Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm, \$7,492

To add 92 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to make primary records more accessible to the public. Mound, Hennepin County

Senate District 34, House District 34A

City of Dayton

Stephens Farm National Register Evaluation, \$9,437

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the Stephens Farm Park, Dayton, MN, for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Dayton, Hennepin County

Senate District 35, House District 35A

Anoka County Historical Society Oral History of Multi-generational Families Working at Federal Cartridge, \$7,788

To document in 18 oral history interviews the history of multiple generations of the same families working for the same Anoka County company. Anoka, Anoka County

Senate District 38, House District 38B

White Bear Lake Area Historical Society White Bear Town Hall Exhibit Research, \$4,300

To hire a qualified consultant to write a Research Report and draft text for a planned exhibit. White Bear Lake, Ramsey County

White Bear Lake Area Historical Society **Oral History Collection Video to Digital Transfer** Project, \$1,005

To digitize a collection of archival oral history recordings, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource.

White Bear Lake, Ramsey County

City of Hugo

Hopkins Schoolhouse Conditions Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a conditions assessment of the Hopkins Schoolhouse, eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. Hugo, Washington County

Senate District 39, House District 39A

Franconia Township

History of Franconia Township Scholarly Research Project, \$9,999

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of the Franconia Township area.

Shafer, Chisago County

Gammelgarden Museum

Prast Hus National Register Evaluation, \$9,750

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the 1868 Prast Hus for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places. Scandia, Washington County

Scandia Heritage Alliance Research the History of Scandia and Its Important Sites, \$10,000

To hire qualified consultants to research the history of Scandia for a future outdoor heritage trail. Scandia, Washington County

Senate District 39, House District 39B

Minnesota Special Education Leaders Foundation (MNSELF)

Edit and Publish "PERCEPTIONS: Educating Minnesota's Children with Disabilities in 2035", \$9,992

To hire qualified professionals to publish a book on the current historical thinking concerning special education in Minnesota.

Lake Elmo, Washington County

City of Stillwater

Acquire Primary Resources on Microfilm, \$3,085

To add 34 rolls of microfilmed property assessment and tax records to make primary records more accessible to the public.

Stillwater, Washington County

City of Stillwater

Lowell Park Pavilion and Levee Historic Structure Report, \$9,375

To hire a qualified consultant to develop a Historic Structure Report that will help preserve Lowell Park Pavilion and Lowell Park Levee, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Stillwater, Washington County

Senate District 41, House District 41B

City of Columbia Heights City of Columbia Heights Historical Context Study, \$9,750

To hire a qualified consultant to write a context study for the City of Columbia Heights. Columbia Heights, Anoka County

New Brighton Area Historical Society Security System for the New Brighton Area History Center, \$10,000

To hire qualified technicians to install a security system to protect the collections from theft or fire. New Brighton, Ramsey County

Senate District 43, House District 43A

Greater White Bear Lake Community Foundation The Many Faces of the White Bear Lake Area: Publication, \$4,141

To hire qualified professionals to produce a manuscript on the history of the White Bear Lake area

White Bear Lake, Ramsey County

City of Birchwood Village Birchwood Village Hall National Register Evaluation, \$9,900

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the Birchwood Village Hall in Washington County for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Birchwood, Washington County

Senate District 44, House District 44A

City of Plymouth

Collection Storage Plan, \$3,750

To hire professionals to assess and write a collections plan for a historically significant collection, which will allow greater public access to this resource.

Plymouth, Hennepin County

Senate District 44, House District 44B

Minnetonka Historical Society Minnetonka Historical Society Collections Management System Conversion, \$9,325

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Minnetonka, Hennepin County

Senate District 45, House District 45B

Golden Valley Historical Society Historic Context Study for Golden Valley, \$9,650

To hire a qualified consultant to write a historic context study for the City of Golden Valley. Golden Valley, Hennepin County

Golden Valley Historical Society Disaster Plan Development, \$5,400

To hire a qualified museum consultant to develop a disaster plan for the Golden Valley Historical Society. *Golden Valley, Hennepin County*

Senate District 46, House District 46B

City of St. Louis Park

Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, St. Louis Park Station Depot Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad, St. Louis Park Station Depot, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. St. Louis Park, Hennepin County

Senate District 47, House District 47A

Carver County Historical Society Construction Documents for Three Buildings at the Peterson Farmstead, \$111,400

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for reuse of three buildings at the historic Peterson Farmstead, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Waconia, Carver County

City of Chaska City Square Park/21CR2 Geophysical Archaeological Survey, \$10,000

To hire a qualified archaeologist to conduct a survey of City Square Park for future city planning. Chaska, Carver County

Senate District 49, House District 49A

Afton Historical Society Press Artist Hazel Belvo Publication: Research/Writing/ Editing, \$10,000

To hire qualified professionals to edit a manuscript on the life and work of Minnesota artist Hazel Belvo. Edina, Hennepin County

Afton Historical Society Press Research and Writing of The History of Ballet in Minnesota, \$10,000

To hire qualified professionals to produce a manuscript on the history of ballet in Minnesota. Edina, Hennepin County

Afton Historical Society Press Design and Printing of Hazel Belvo: A Matriarch of Art, \$10,000

To hire qualified professionals to publish a book on the history of the life of artist Hazel Belvo. Edina, Hennepin County

Edina Morningside Community Church Inventory of Archive Photographs, \$9,052

To provide better organization of archival materials, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources.

Edina, Hennepin County

Edina Morningside Community Church Inventory Slides, Sound and Moving Images, \$10,000

To provide better organization of the church's slide and image collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Edina, Hennepin County

Senate District 49, House District 49B

Edina Historical Society Phase II Inventory Project, \$40,800

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Edina, Hennepin County

Senate District 50, House District 50B

Minnesota Masonic Historical Society and Museum Partial Collections Inventory - Phase II, \$73,549

To provide better organization of the museum collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Bloomington, Hennepin County

Senate District 51, House District 51B

Caponi Art Park

Conservation Treatment for "Pompeii," a Sculpture by Anthony Caponi, \$42,380

To hire a qualified conservator to restore a significant object in the museum's collections. Eagan, Dakota County

Caponi Art Park

Research Phase of Exhibition Development, \$9,775

To hire a qualified consultant to write a research plan for upcoming exhibits. Eagan, Dakota County

Caponi Art Park

Caponi Home National Register Evaluation, \$10,000

To hire qualified consultants to evaluate the home at Caponi Art Park for possible inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Eagan, Dakota County

Caponi Art Park

Establish Collections Management System: CollectiveAccess, \$9,995

To improve collections care and management through an updated collections management system. Eagan, Dakota County

Or Emet, Minnesota Congregation for Humanistic **Judaism**

Humanistic Judaism in Minnesota: An Oral History of Or Emet, \$10,000

To document in 10 oral history interviews the Minnesota history of Or Emet, Humanistic Judaism. Eagan, Ramsey County

Senate District 54, House District 54A

Commemorative Air Force, Minnesota Wing CAF General Conservation Assessment & Long-Range Preservation Plan, \$3,700

To hire a qualified museum consultant to conduct a general preservation needs assessment survey and long range collections preservation plan. South St. Paul, Dakota County

Dakota County Historical Society George Daniels Exhibit Design, \$33,600

To hire a qualified consultant to write an exhibit design plan for Dakota County Historical Society's George Daniels exhibit, which will include an expansion on racial history in the county. South St. Paul, Dakota County

Senate District 54, House District 54B

Dakota County

Mississippi River Greenway South St. Paul Stockyards Interpretive Node Fabrication and Installation, \$125,000

To hire qualified consultants to fabricate 30 interpretive panels that tell the story of the stockyards of South St. Paul. Hastings, Dakota County

Afton Historical Society and Museum Install LED Linear Lighting, \$9,778

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade Afton Historical Society and Museum's lighting in their collections storage area. Afton, Washington County

Afton Historical Society and Museum HVAC Renovation - Add Zoning, \$9,135

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade Afton Historical Society and Museum's heating, ventilating, and air conditioning (HVAC) system. Afton, Washington County

City of Afton

First Congregational Church Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of the First Congregational Church in Afton (1868), now home of the Afton Historical Society and Museum.

Afton, Washington County

City of Afton

First Congregational Church National Register Nomination, \$10,000

To hire a qualified historian to write the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for the first Congregational Church in Afton (1868), now home of the Afton Historical Society and Museum. *Afton, Washington County*

Senate District 55, House District 55A

Scott County Historical Society HVAC System Upgrade, \$163,000

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

Scott County Historical Society Upgrade Collections Management Software from PastPerfect 5 to CollectiveAccess, \$8,873

To hire qualified technicians to upgrade to a new collections database.

Shakopee, Scott County

Senate District 55, House District 55B

Jordan Area Historical Society Acquire Historical Jordan Area Newspapers on Microfilm, \$9,608

To add 118 rolls of microfilmed newspapers to make primary records more accessible to the public. Jordan. Scott County

Senate District 58, House District 58B

Waterford Township Waterford Bridge Rehabilitation, \$342,818

To hire qualified professionals to repair the Waterford Bridge (Bridge L3275), listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Northfield, Dakota County

Senate District 59, House District 59B

First Church of God in Christ First Church of God in Christ National Register Evaluation, \$8,100

To hire a qualified historian to complete an evaluation to determine eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for First Church of God in Christ/Tifereth B'nai Jacob synagogue, built in 1926. Eden Prairie, Hennepin County

Minnesota Opera

Minnesota Opera Records Management Program, \$7,700

To provide better organization of the Minnesota Opera's corporate records, allowing for greater public access to these historic resources. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Minnesota Orchestra Association Preserving the Minnesota Orchestra's Concert Broadcast History, \$130,250

To digitize a large collection of archival audio recordings, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Raymond W. Cannon Foundation Alpha Archives and Collections Project, \$8,650

To document in 10 oral history interviews the history of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity in Minnesota. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Redeemer Center For Life Role of Leadership and Institutions in Community Crisis Response: Manuscript, \$10,000

To hire qualified professionals to produce a manuscript on the history of community crisis response to street and institutional violence in Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Senate District 60, House District 60A

St. Michael's and St. George's Ukrainian Orthodox Church

Script Development: Holodomor Impact on Minnesota's Ukrainian Community, \$9,130

To hire qualified professionals to produce a documentary script on the history of Minnesota's Ukrainian community.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Senate District 60, House District 60B

Farmer-Labor Education Committee Complete Documentary of The Farmer-Labor Movement: A Minnesota Story, \$78,772

To hire qualified professionals to produce a documentary on the history of the Farmer-Labor movement in Minnesota.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Farmer-Labor Education Committee Farmer-Labor Video: Post-Production I, \$10,000

To produce a rough edit of the documentary about the history of the Farmer-Labor Movement. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

First Congregational Church of Minnesota - United **Church of Christ**

First Congregational Church Gothic Windows Restoration, \$63,157

To hire qualified professionals to repair windows on the First Congregational Church of Minnesota - United Church of Christ, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (Institute on **Community Integration)**

Write Special Education Teachers and Related Services Staff: How the Professions Evolved in Minnesota, \$9,997

To hire qualified professionals to produce a manuscript on the history of special education teachers in Minnesota.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (The Goldstein)

Preserving Design and Retail Innovation: The Design Guys, Michael Graves, and Target - Phase 2, \$10,000

To provide better storage conditions, allowing for greater public access to objects in the collection. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (U of M

Minnesota's Landscapes: Documenting Environmental History through Archival Sources, \$108,278

To hire a qualified professional to process part of the archival collections held by the University of Minnesota Archives.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (U of M Libraries)

Public Health in Minnesota: Digitizing Recordings of "A Public Health Journal" TV Program, \$10,000

To digitize a collection of video recordings, allowing for greater public access to these historic resources. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (University of Minnesota Press)

UMN Press Files Transfer, \$10,000

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

Senate District 61, House District 61A

Twin Cities Tracks

Ask Al: Oral Histories with Albert "Al" Milgrom, \$10,000

To document in 10 oral history interviews the life and work of Albert (Al) Milgrom, Minnesota filmmaker. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Wiccan Church of Minnesota **Development of the Minnesota Pagan Oral History** Methodology and Template, \$10,000

To document in 12 oral history interviews the history of the Wiccan Church of Minnesota. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Senate District 61, House District 61B

Minneapolis Pops Orchestra Association Minneapolis Pops Orchestra History: Publication, \$7,403

To hire qualified professionals to publish a book on the history of the Minneapolis Pops Orchestra for their 70th anniversary.

Minneapoilis, Hennepin County

Portal Research

COVID-19 Healthcare Oral History Project, \$9.650

To document in 10 oral history interviews the contemporary history of healthcare workers during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

The Museum of Russian Art Collections Storage Renovation at TMORA, \$74,386

To improve collections care and management through proper storage.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

The Museum of Russian Art Creating a Disaster Plan for TMORA, \$3,779

To develop a disaster plan for The Museum of Russian Art, Minneapolis, MN. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Senate District 62, House District 62A

Alano Society of Minneapolis Minneapolis Alano Society National Register Evaluation, \$9,750

To hire a qualified historian to complete an evaluation to determine eligibility for listing in the National Register of Historic Places for the Minneapolis Alano Society, housed in the former home of John Washburn. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

American Swedish Institute Critical Restoration of the Turnblad Mansion Veranda, \$150,000

To hire qualified professionals to repair the veranda of the Turnblad Mansion, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

American Swedish Institute Assessment of the Visby Window in the Turnblad Mansion, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to conduct a condition assessment of the Visby Window in the Turnblad Mansion, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Calvary Baptist Church Calvary Baptist Church National Register Nomination, \$7,650

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for Calvary Baptist Church, Minneapolis, MN. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Hennepin History Museum Archival Collection Arrangement and Description, \$54,947

To provide better organization of the museum's archival collections, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Minnesota Council of Churches Research for B'dote: A Sacred Site, \$10,000

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of B'dote and create a script from the research. Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Senate District 62, House District 62B

African American Registry Preserving Voices That Guide Us: Digitization, \$8,793

To digitize a collection of oral history recordings, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

The African American Interpretive Center of **Minnesota**

Outer Experiences: Black Life in Rural and Suburban Minnesota, \$8,354

To document in 15-20 oral history interviews the history of black rural and suburban experiences in Minnesota.

Minneapolis, Hennepin County

Senate District 63, House District 63B

Crossroads Panorama

Lest We Forget - The Contributions of Minneapolis' African American Baby Boomers, \$9,975

To hire a qualified historian to conduct primary source research on the history of African American Baby Boomers in Minneapolis. Richfield, Hennepin County

Richfield Historical Society Acquire Microfilm Reader/Printer/Scanner, \$9,989

To purchase a microfilm reader/printer/scanner to make microfilmed records more accessible to the public.

Richfield, Hennepin County

Minnesota Air National Guard Historical Foundation A History of the 109th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron: Publication, \$8,217

To hire qualified professionals to publish a book on the history of the 109th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron, Minnesota Air National Guard. St. Paul, Hennepin County

Minnesota Air National Guard Historical Foundation Minnesota Air National Guard Centennial Scanning/ Digitization Project, \$9,954

To digitize a collection of archival video recordings and slides, allowing for greater public access to these historic resources.

St. Paul, Hennepin County

Senate District 64, House District 64A

Cass Gilbert Society, Inc.

Digitization of Cass Gilbert Society Lectures 1999-2017, \$9,900

To digitize a collection of archival video recordings, allowing for greater public access to these historic resources.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Celtic Junction Arts Center Eoin McKiernan Television Program Digital Conversion, \$5,230

To digitize a collection of mid-1960s video recordings of Minnesota TV programs on Irish culture, allowing for greater public access to these historic resources. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Charles Thompson Memorial Hall Construction Documents for Thompson Hall, \$116,000

To hire a qualified consultant to develop architectural drawings for Charles Thompson Memorial Hall, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and one of the few remaining Deaf clubs in the United States. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Jewish Community Action Preserving the Founding Years of Jewish Community Action: Organizing for Racial and Economic Justice, \$9,940

To provide better organization of the archival materials, allowing for greater public access to the community's historic resources.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Minnesota Media Arts **Digital Conversion of Cable Arts Consortium Video** Collection 1983-1991, \$9,925

To digitize a collection of archival audio recordings, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Park Baptist, UNITY Baptist & Anointed Faith **Missionary Church**

Woodland Park Baptist Church National Register Nomination, \$5,525

To hire a qualified historian to complete the nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for Woodland Park Baptist Church, built in 1907.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

St. Clement's Episcopal Church Saint Clement's Episcopal Church Condition Assessment, \$10,000

To hire a qualified architect to conduct a condition assessment of St. Clement's Episcopal Church, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Twin City Model Railroad Museum TCMRM Interpretive Plan Update, \$10,000

To hire a qualified consultant to revise and update the interpretive plan for the Twin City Model Railroad Museum.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Senate District 64, House District 64B

Friends of Highland Arts Highland Heritage Research Project, \$10,000

To hire qualified historians to research the history of Highland Park in St. Paul, in preparation for a future book.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Maritime Heritage Minnesota MN Suburban Lakes Maritime Archaeology: Survey & Anomaly Assessment Project, \$9,947

To conduct marine archaeology investigations of anomalies found in Lakes Minnewashta, Lotus, & Crystal, & underwater archaeological reconnaissance on wrecks & anomalies in Forest Lake.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Maritime Heritage Minnesota Minnesota Suburban Lakes Underwater Archaeology Project: Anomaly Assessment, \$9,999

To conduct marine archaeology investigation of additional anomalies found in Prior Lake, Medicine Lake, and Lake Johanna.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Maritime Heritage Minnesota Minnesota Historic Outboard Runabouts Project: Analysis & 3D Scanning, \$9,915

To conduct primary source research on the history of outboard runabout boats in Minnesota.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Maritime Heritage Minnesota Minnesota Wooden Watercraft Analysis Project: Documentation & 3D Scanning, \$9,903

To conduct primary source research on the history of wooden watercraft in Minnesota.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Regents of the University of Minnesota (School of Medicine)

Minnesota Neurology Oral History Project, \$7,950

To document in 10 oral history interviews the history of neurology in the State of Minnesota. St. Paul, Ramsey County

St. Catherine University

Welcoming the Dear Neighbor? A History of Housing Inequality in Ramsey County, \$9,202

To hire a qualified historian to research the history of housing inequality in Ramsey County. St. Paul, Ramsey County

St. Catherine University

General Conservation Assessment and Long-Range Preservation Plan, \$6,045

To hire a qualified museum consultant to conduct a general preservation needs assessment survey and long range collections preservation plan. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Senate District 65, House District 65A

Friends of Historic Virginia Street Church Historic Virginia Street Church: Construction, \$150,500

To hire qualified professionals to make ADA improvements to the Cass Gilbert-designed Virginia Street Church, listed in the National Register of Historic Places.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Hallie Q. Brown Community Center Hallie Q. Brown Conservation Assessment and Long-Range Preservation Plan, \$9,450

To hire professional conservators to assess historically significant collections and write a long range preservation plan.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Senate District 65, House District 65B

Central Presbyterian Church/Presbyterian Church (USA)

Rehabilitation of West Front of Central Presbyterian Church, \$200,000

To hire qualified professionals to repair the west facade of the Central Presbyterian Church in St. Paul, MN, listed in the National Register of Historic Places. *St. Paul, Ramsey County*

Christ Lutheran Church on Capitol Hill Construction Document Preparation, \$61,000

To contract with qualified professionals to prepare construction documents for the preservation of the Norwegian Evangelical Lutheran Church, listed in the National Register of Historic Places and now known as Christ Lutheran Church on Capitol Hill. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Hispanic Advocacy and Community Empowerment through Research (HACER)

Our History: Oral History, \$35,200

To document in 15 oral history interviews the history of Latino businesses in Minneapolis, MN. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Historic Saint Paul Phase Two Public Archaeology Program Using 412 Goodrich Artifacts, \$10,000

To organize and catalog an archaeological collection, allowing for greater public access to historic resources.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Minnesota Boychoir Sixty Years of the Minnesota Boychoir: Oral History, \$9,970

To document in 8-12 oral history interviews the history of the Minnesota Boychoir. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Minnesota Legislative Reference Library **Legislative Coordinating Commission (LCC) Tape** Conversion Project, \$10,000

To digitize part of a large collection of archival audio recordings, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Minnesota Museum of American Art **How Immigrant Artists Shaped Minnesota History Through Visual Art and Creative Exchange:** Research, \$57,248

To hire qualified professionals to research the museum's collections in preparation for an upcoming exhibit on immigrant artists in Minnesota. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Ramsey County Historical Society Saint Paul Building Permit and Ledger Digitization,

To digitize a large collection of building permits and ledgers, allowing for greater public access to these historic resources.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Ramsey County Historical Society Digitize Everett Kroeger Photographic Collection, \$7,194

To digitize a St. Paul photographer's collection of photographs and negatives, allowing for greater public access to this historic resource. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Ramsey County Historical Society Conservation Treatment for Great Northern Railway Textile Samples, \$10,000

To hire a qualified conservator to restore significant textile objects in the museum's collections. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Ramsey County Historical Society Planning the Links' 50th Anniversary Exhibition, \$9,875

To hire a qualified consultant to write a research report in preparation for an exhibit on the 50th anniversary of the Links, an African American women's organization.

St. Paul, Ramsey County

St. Paul Public Schools (ISD #625) **Cultural Resources for American Indian Students at** Harding High School, \$862

To add books on American Indian history and culture to Harding High School's holdings to make this information more accessible to the public. St Paul, Ramsey County

St. Paul Public Schools (ISD #625) **Books for the American Indian Education Program** Resource Center, \$3,091

To add books on American Indian history and culture to St. Paul Public Schools' holdings to make this information more accessible to the public. St Paul, Ramsey County

St. Paul Public Schools (ISD #625) **Supplemental Teaching Kits for American Indian Education Program Resource Center, \$5,740**

To create Minnesota-based educational kits for the St. Paul Public Schools' American Indian Education Program.

St Paul, Ramsey County

The Council for Minnesotans of African Heritage **Oral History of The Council for Minnesotans of** African Heritage, \$10,000

To document in 10 oral history interviews the history of The Council for Minnesotans of African Heritage. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Grants awarded July 1, 2019 - Dec. 31, 2020. Project locations reflect where grant work is being accomplished.

Senate District 66, House District 66A

Polish American Medical Society of Minnesota Kalejdoskop: Spotlight on Polish Americans in Minnesota, \$10,000

To document in 10 oral history interviews the history of Polish American political refugees in Minnesota. Roseville, Ramsey County

Senate District 67, House District 67A

East Side Freedom Library Documenting Dances: Presentations on Immigrant and Refugee Dance Artists in the Twin Cities, \$9,999

To document a series of cultural heritage presentations by immigrant and refugee dance

St. Paul, Ramsey County

Senate District 67, House District 67B

Lower Phalen Creek Project Boys Totem Town Land Historic Research, \$9,980

To hire a qualified consultant to conduct research on the land formerly known as Boys Totem Town. St. Paul, Ramsey County

Metropolitan State University Foundation Our First 50 Years - Metropolitan State University Oral History Project, \$9,350

To document in approximately eight oral history interviews the history of the first 50 years of Metropolitan State University. St. Paul, Ramsey County

REPORT OF STATEWIDE HISTORY PROGRAMS



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, the people of Minnesota are investing \$12.85 million this biennium in history programs that will bring the power of history to Minnesotans of all ages in all corners of the state.

This Legacy report presents a look back on how funds were used for Statewide Programs rather than a look forward on projected future uses.

FY20-21 Appropriations Language—Statewide History Programs: \$5,846,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$7,004,000 in fiscal year 2021 are for historic and cultural programs and purposes related to the heritage of the state. Of this amount, \$250,000 each year must be used by the Minnesota Historical Society to either produce or purchase and to distribute a book to engage and educate elementary school students on Minnesota's natural resources, legacy, culture, and history. The book should be made available for free to educators and libraries and through state historical society sites to provide to a targeted grade of elementary school students.

Above: A graphic from the online exhibit Votes for Women shared at mnhs.org.

ARCHAEOLOGY

Archaeology Collections Management, \$78,219

This project focuses on creating detailed digital catalog records for archaeological collections that were acquired before digital documentation was possible. This work will increase the accessibility and research value of the MNHS archaeological collections. It will also bring curation of these collections up to current standards and increase the number of archaeological objects available to view on the MNHS website. Lab staff worked with 13 undergraduate interns and volunteers from the University of Minnesota and Hamline University to provide the students with hands-on artifact identification and cataloging experience. The staff completed an inventory of artifacts discovered during 1968-1976 archaeological research at Lower Sioux Agency from eight collections. This process resulted in the creation and completion of over 39,500 new electronic catalog records from 113 boxes that were inventoried.

Historic Fort Snelling and Historic Forestville Excavation Research and Geodatabase Project, \$80,621

The project collected spatial data, field notes, research records, and photographs from decades of archaeological excavation and research at Historic Fort Snelling and Historic Forestville. A geodatabase was created for each site and in use as a management tool to better understand the history and development of those locations to inform future research directions. Its implementation has been a critical tool to navigate the below-surface history during construction at Historic Fort Snelling. In addition, the collection of this data has developed a pathway to use this data for public presentation and educational resources for the future.

EDUCATION AND PROGRAMMING

Votes for Women Program Theme (Formerly 2020 Program Theme), \$26,902

This project included developing a series of programs about voting rights and the 100th anniversary of women's suffrage in 2020 that were shared across the state at various MNHS historic sites and museums. Programs were offered in conjunction with the new online exhibit *Votes for Women* which launched Aug 26, 2020.

Adventure-Based Programming - Paddle Through History, \$6,570

This project is supporting the development of a kayak and canoe-based tour program of the Mississippi River at Forest History Center in Grand Rapids. Two tours will center on landscape history and the natural environment and explore the role the river plays in the area's history. Staff are also exploring a model where the program could travel to other MNHS historic sites and museums for special events.

This past year, funding supported the purchase of kayaks, paddles, and personal flotation devices, and staff time to develop and pilot the program. Forest History Center plans to launch prototype tours in 2021.

Curriculum & Teacher Professional Development, \$140,540

This project focused on creating primary source-based curricular materials and teacher professional development opportunities. In the past year, staff worked with the team that developed the new exhibit *Our Home: Native Minnesota* (which opened December 2019) to create primary source-based curricular resources on Native American history in Minnesota. Funds also supported a special Voting Rights History Teacher Cohort and a full-day of workshops for sixth-grade teachers.

Teacher professional development offerings vary year by year but include training for K-12 social studies and English teachers, college-level preservice teachers in teacher preparation programs, and college-level social studies methods instructors and professors.

Elementary School Book

The legislature appropriated funding for the "Minnesota Historical Society to either produce or purchase and to distribute a book to engage and educate elementary school students on Minnesota's natural resources, legacy, culture, and history. The book should be made available for free to educators and libraries and through state historical society sites."

MNHS staff prepared a project proposal to create a resource for upper elementary students. A timeline and creation process was approved and an author was selected to begin drafting content.

Interpreter Training, \$149,950

This project involved researching, planning, and piloting a framework for training interpreters across the Minnesota Historical Society's historic sites and museums. Frontline staff, especially interpreters, are key to engaging MNHS visitors. This new framework is being used to train new staff as well as assess and improve training for veteran interpreters. This effort is greatly improving program delivery and visitor experience across MNHS sites. A roll out of this new training initiative began in winter 2020.

Legacy Field Trip Support Fund, \$43,223

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 MNHS historic sites and museums. Eligible schools (those with 25% or more students enrolled in the Federal Free and Reduced Lunch Program) are reimbursed \$4 per student, allowing more students access to field trips.

In FY20, this fund helped 7,329 Minnesota students from 82 schools take field trips to MNHS historic sites and museums. Field trips were suspended in March 2020 due to COVID-19.

History Center Public Programs, \$55,858

This funding supported a program specialist position to develop programs for the Minnesota History Center's core audiences, including adult learners and intergenerational/ family groups. Content was tied to core and changing exhibit themes and broad history topics.

History Center Museum Programs, \$26,128

This funding created a program assistant position to work under the direction of the Minnesota History Center site manager to develop and implement programs to serve the museum's core audiences, including adult learners and intergenerational/family groups, and field trips. Content was tied to core and changing exhibit themes and broad history topics.

Play the Past: The Field Trip for the 21st Century Learner, \$20,835

Play the Past empowers students to use technology to create self-directed, personalized, responsive field trip experiences that deepen their connection to history while honing their critical thinking and problem-solving skills. Students use handheld devices installed with the mobile application in the Then Now Wow and Minnesota's Greatest Generation exhibits at the Minnesota History Center. Through the application students are encouraged to answer

questions, solve problems, and collect digital artifacts. Students and teachers access their "digital backpack" in the classroom, further expanding on the field trip experience. FY20 money was largely used to maintain the technology side of the program.

Program Evaluation, \$162,592

Evaluation staff provided technical assistance and support to staff to evaluate Legacy-funded projects and programs. In addition, Wilder Research consulted on strategy and direction for evaluation capacity-building efforts.

In FY20, prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, MNHS conducted pilot studies at Mille Lacs Indian Museum, Mill City Museum, Historic Fort Snelling, Oliver Kelley Farm and the History Center to further understand visitor motivations, using John Falk's framework. After the pandemic hit, evaluation efforts refocused on understanding the needs of the general public and teachers, as well as staff needs to be able to return to work.

In the past year, staff have:

- Facilitated 18 team-based inquiry processes with 62 participants, to more systematically engage in data-informed decision-making.
- Supported community engagement efforts with a statewide survey and six community listening sessions.
- Participated in a national survey of arts and culture participation during a pandemic.
- Offered three webinars on evaluation topics to the national museum community through the American Alliance of Museums.

Statewide Program Support, \$170,301

This initiative supported the development, testing, implementation, and evaluation of interpretive programs and experiences across the statewide network of MNHS historic sites and museums. Staff worked on project-based program development, including researching historical content, interpretive planning, testing new programs, and integrating new historical perspectives and stories into MNHS program offerings.

Projects were selected from proposals submitted quarterly by site staff. Those submissions were evaluated and selected based on available resources, goals of the project, alignment with MNHS strategic priorities, potential impact, and project duration. Several sites completed a framework outlining its interpretation and themes, which will serve as "road maps" to assist staff in long-term planning.

Lifelong Learning / House of Memories \$2,402

MNHS wrapped up the program development of House of Memories, formerly called Together in Time, which met the needs of a diverse, aging population by empowering them as lifelong learners, encouraging them to tell stories, and supporting their caregivers in carrying out their essential roles. Core elements of the program included leading programs in multiple locations for those with memory loss and their caregivers and working on tools, such as the My House of Memories mobile app, to show objects from the MNHS collection in order to spark conversations. In developing the US version of the My House of Memories mobile app, MNHS worked closely with the African American and Latino communities to incorporate object selection.

EXHIBITS

Exhibits to Go, \$5,645

This funding allowed MNHS staff to manage its statewide traveling exhibits program. In FY20, three exhibits traveled to seven locations:

- Coming of Age: The 1968 Generation was hosted at Olmsted County Historical Society and Becker County Historical Society.
- Electrifying Minnesota was hosted at Becker County Historical Society and the Minnesota Public Utilities Commission in St. Paul.
- Fur Trade in Minnesota was hosted at Dassel History Center and Ergot Museum, Winsted Arts Council, and Runestone Museum.

The number of locations taking exhibits declined in FY20 due to COVID-19 related closures at a number of venues.

First Avenue Exhibit, \$220,118

The new History Center exhibit *First Avenue: Stories of Minnesota's Mainroom*, which opened May 4, 2019, had its run extended to Jan. 3, 2021. Since 1970, First Avenue has been at the heart of the Minnesota music scene. The First Avenue exhibit takes you inside the sights, sounds, and stories of this landmark venue that put Minnesota music on the map. Through music, interviews, images, artifacts, and hands-on interactive elements visitors can relive the club's nearly 50-year history.

This funding supported public communications and ongoing technical support of the exhibit during its run.

Main Street at 100 Exhibit, \$70,050

MNHS exhibit developers researched an exhibit to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the publication of Sinclair Lewis's *Main Street: The Story of Carol Kennicott*. Postponed to Spring 2021, the 1,500 square foot exhibit at the History Center will reexamine Lewis's legacy and draw parallels between social concerns of his time and our own. The best-selling novel was based on Lewis's hometown of Sauk Centre and his social critiques of American society in the 1920s continue to resonate today.

History is Now (Formerly History Core exhibit), \$38,438

MNHS exhibit developers began work on an exhibit that will highlight stories, objects and art documenting the events of 2020 and beyond: the COVID-19 pandemic, the murder of George Floyd and protests against police violence and racism, and more. Based on MNHS's History is Now collecting initiatives, the exhibit will give visitors an opportunity to reflect on and go deeper into the events of the present. The exhibit is slated to open in Spring 2021.

Our Home: Native Minnesota Exhibit, \$317,185

Funding supported exhibit development, hiring of members of Dakota and Ojibwe communities to welcome guests in the gallery, public programs including an exhibit theatre performance, and the creation of a number of multimedia pieces.

MNHS opened *Our Home: Native Minnesota* on Dec. 7, 2019, at the History Center. Native Americans—Dakota, Ojibwe, as well as people from other tribal nations—have dwelled in this area for thousands of years and still live here today. This exhibit shares their stories, enduring presence, and deep connection to the land. Visitors can view historic and contemporary photographs, maps, and artifacts—and learn how Native people have retained cultural practices, teachings and values, and an essential connection to home.

This exhibit is a new core exhibit at the Minnesota History Center and has no closing date.

Other History Center Exhibits, \$20,935

This funding supported promoting and engaging Minnesotans across the state with additional exhibits at the History Center, including *Then Now Wow*, with the goal of using history to develop a more informed citizenry.

Prince: Before the Rain Exhibit, \$48,890

The History Center exhibit Prince: Before the Rain, which opened Sept. 21, 2019, had its run extended to Jan. 3, 2021. Minnesota photographer Allen Beaulieu helped shape the icon we know today as Prince. As Prince's personal photographer and friend from the late 1970s into the early 1980s, he charted the musician's progression from rising star to superstar. Through it all, he had access to Prince that few photographers have had, before or since. The exhibit features 50 digital prints of Prince, The Revolution, Morris Day and The Time, and other artists as well as a handful of artifacts that speak to Prince's image.

Votes for Women (Formerly She Voted: Her Fight, Our Right) Exhibit, \$372,098

When MNHS historic sites and museums closed in March staff quickly pivoted to developing an online version of the Votes for Women exhibit which launched on Aug. 26, 2020, exactly 100 years after lawmakers signed the 19th Amendment into law. The anniversary, which falls during a presidential election year, provides an opportunity to present an exhibit on the history and present state of voting rights in Minnesota.

Developed in partnership with the League of Women Voters Minnesota, the exhibit focuses on stories of activist women throughout the state. Their commitment to civic responsibility can inspire visitors to participate more fully in our democratic process.

A smaller in-person exhibit that continues the celebration of women's civic achievements will open in Spring 2021.

FINANCE

Administrative Costs, \$461,879

Administrative costs reflect a portion of the "shared services" costs, such as human resources, payroll, financial accounting, reporting and payment processing, and the technology infrastructure and space-related costs for those services. These services are necessary to support the day-to-day operation of the entire organization as well as Legacy-funded programs and partnerships. MNHS works to provide these services at a reasonable cost while adhering to the statutory mandate that costs be "directly related to and necessary for a specific appropriation."

HERITAGE PRESERVATION

We Are Water MN, \$19,000

This project featured multiple statewide organizations and state agencies (MNHS, Minnesota Humanities Center, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency, and Minnesota departments of Agriculture, Health, and Natural Resources) working with other organizations to host the traveling exhibit We Are Water MN and engage their communities. This exhibit explores the future of water in the state through the lenses of history, science, and the humanities.

In FY20, six host organizations were selected from across the state. However due to the COVID-19 pandemic the tour dates for the exhibit have been rescheduled, with the first opening in August 2020 in Morris. Other host communities are Mankato, St. Paul, Rochester, Chisholm, and Pipestone.

INCLUSION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community Programs, \$100,212

Minnesota Historical Society's Community Programs team seeks to build deep, collaborative partnerships with communities of color. The long-term goal is to increase visibility of under represented histories that have shaped Minnesota through partnership initiatives.

During FY20, Community Programs staff continued to build upon programming with local African American community organizations, many of whom were new MNHS partners. The goal is to co-create meaningful programs in order to build trust and deepen collaborative community partnerships, so MNHS can better serve the African American community.

Over the past year, Community Programs staff has partnered with the Capri Theater and Film Society of Minneapolis St. Paul on the First Thursdays @ The Capri film series in North Minneapolis, which includes movie screenings and follow-up conversations with community leaders. Staff also partnered with Hallie Q. Brown Community Center with an interactive pop up installation allowing for community voices to shape the installation, along with an opening day movie screening by New Dawn Theater. With the impact of COVID-19, other community initiatives have moved to virtual programming and include collaborating with other MNHS departments to create virtual programming such as the Duluth Lynching series and other partnership programming.

Veteran Relations, \$55,896

This funding supported a new staff position tasked with assessing and developing sustained engagement between MNHS and the veteran community. This position also provided support for veteran and military-related programs and exhibits and served as a resource for other MNHS staff.

Highlights from the past year included:

- Military-focused outreach program for veterans and lifelong learner audiences that included in-person and virtual offerings
- Support for the World War II Round Table program series at the Minnesota History
- Tours for active military and veterans groups and facilitation of military Change of Command ceremonies
- Attendance at Military Action Group and United Veterans Legislative Council monthly meetings and the VFW annual convention
- Coordinated donations of military-related program material to MNHS
- Gathering veteran and military perspectives for the new Historic Fort Snelling visitor center exhibit being developed as part of the site's revitalization

Diversity Programs, \$77,606

This funding supported new initiatives designed to build engagement between MNHS and Minnesota's diverse communities. Through the work of an external task force of 10 community leaders and an internal workgroup of MNHS staff members, this project sought to identify barriers to sustained engagement with African American communities and to develop infrastructure that supports ongoing, meaningful relationships. MNHS aims to use this model in relationship-building with Minnesota's other diverse communities.

Native American Initiatives, \$286,757

The Native American Initiatives team is an advocate for Native communities at MNHS, serving as a bridge between community needs and MNHS resources, engaging with Native communities throughout the state, and ensuring Native voices, stories, and concerns are addressed in MNHS work. The NAI team conducted research, provided content, and created programming and engagement opportunities across the state. NAI continues to help support and empower colleagues across departments at MNHS to better serve Native communities in Minnesota.

LIBRARY & ARCHIVES

Collections Projects, \$305,544

Staff conducted research, identified potential objects and collections that are significant to Minnesota history, and fulfilled the MNHS mission of using the power of history to transform lives. They cultivated relationships with existing and potential donors, negotiated acquisitions, performed initial assessments and condition evaluations, contributed to object documentation, provided for care and storage of collections, and met with the public as needed to provide access to materials in the MNHS collection.

In the past year, staff have added 3,295 object records and 6,335 multimedia files to our online collections. New acquisitions included the donation of 124 items from Green Giant in Le Sueur County, a depression era Christmas pyramid purchased from a Swedish carpenter's union in Minneapolis and used by a local family, 400 pairs of women's shoes, and more than 700 buttons related to political movements and causes.

In addition, collections staff working in collaboration with the department of Inclusion and Community engagement have been cataloging items in the collection that have been labeled as racist and culturally insensitive.

Digitization of Archival Collections, \$227,608

This project supported digitization of MNHS collections in three streams: mass digitization, fulfillment of patron requests to digitize material, and digitization of select new collections.

In FY20, more than 200 cubic feet from 230 archival collections were digitized, including manuscript collections, government records, photos, film and sound recordings. Highlights include digitization of the Andrew Volstead Papers to mark the 100th anniversary of prohibition.

Digitization of Minnesota's Newspapers, \$235,679

MNHS continues to digitize hard copy and microfilm newspapers from across the state for preservation and access. All digitized pages are then made available online via the Minnesota Digital Newspaper Hub on the MNHS website. In FY20 staff digitized 653,269 pages resulting in 3.7million pages available via the Hub.

Legacy Research Fellowship Program, \$21,967

This funding supports Minnesota scholars and their work to delve deeper into our state's history. The fellows use resources from MNHS collections and the Gale Family Library to explore a wide range of topics to add to public knowledge of Minnesota's history and cultural heritage.

In FY20, eight researchers were awarded fellowships:

- Ariel Butler, Northfield: 'A Great Wrong': The August Ruther Case and Anti-German Sentiment During World War I
- Ying Diao, Minneapolis: delayed due to the library closing as a result of COVID-19
- Katie Himanga, Lake City: Anna B Underwood's 1871-1929 Involvement with the Federation of Women's Clubs in Minnesota
- Katya Oicherman, Minneapolis: Bed Linen in Minnesota: From the Private Armoire to the Department Store
- Steve Parliament, St. Paul: Competing Utopias: Visions and Conflict in the Redevelopment of Cedar Riverside Area of Minneapolis, 1950-2000.
- Sebastian Renfield, Minneapolis: The People's Highways: Minnesotans' Experiences of the State Trunk Highway System, 1921-1940
- Emily Shepard, St. Paul: Inmate Labor in the Stillwater Prison Industries, 1891-1914
- Katie Thornton, Minneapolis: The Vote or the Bottle? Suffrage, Temperance, and the Balancing Act of Womanhood in Early 20th Century Minnesota

Oral History Projects, \$46,921

Everyone has a story. Collecting oral histories is one of the most proactive ways MNHS can fill gaps in its collection and preserve the history of all Minnesotans. In FY20, staff launched three new oral history projects:

- Baseball in Minnesota: Staff collected 41 interviews from people connected to all levels of baseball, including amateur teams, which Minnesota has more of than any other state in the country.
- Korean War and Cold War: Staff collected 17 interviews, greatly expanding the MNHS collection of narrators who served in every conflict from the Civil War to the second Iraq War.
- Women and Voting Rights in Minnesota: Staff collected 11 interviews to tell the story of what came after the 19th Amendment and to bring the story into the 21st century. The interviews helped inform the online exhibit Votes for Women, which launched Aug. 26, 2020.

Research & Content Development, \$123,393

This project funded one research director and one senior historian position, charged with coordinating research efforts across MNHS and helping determine content priorities across historic sites and museums.

Over the past year projects included implementing research and content development processes to augment interpretive planning and exhibit development at MNHS historic sites and museums; creating research questionnaires and historical framing templates to support research projects across the sites network; researching and content support for the MNHS Institutional Acknowledgment project, the Duluth Lynching centennial, the Votes for Women exhibit, the Our Home: Native Minnesota exhibit, the four-part Shared Spaces and Public Places Facebook Live program, and new interpretive programs at Mill City Museum and Oliver Kelley Farm.

Other projects included researching and publishing MNopedia entries for the Victory Memorial Highway, the Knute Nelson statute at the Minnesota State Capitol, and Duluth's Clayton Jackson McGhie Memorial, and contributing to an entry on the Capitol's Christopher Columbus statue.

PUBLICATIONS

MNopedia - Digital Encyclopedia of Minnesota History, \$206,361

MNopedia is a free, online platform offering core content and resources related to Minnesota history presented in quick and concise articles that connect to current events.

MNopedia draws on and enhances MNHS collections, interpretive programs, staff expertise, and institutionwide content initiatives. Externally, MNopedia works with outside experts and scholarly institutions and forms partnerships with county and local history organizations throughout the state in order to engage communities statewide and provide a platform for sharing local stories and collections.

In FY20, MNopedia published 105 new articles. It focused on adding content representing communities of color, Greater Minnesota, and women's suffrage (in connection with the online exhibit Votes for Women). MNopedia's readership rose by 19% in FY20 over the previous year.

Urban Biographies Series, \$21,698

MNHS Press launched a new series of histories on major municipalities in Minnesota. The Urban Biographies series presents key stories and profiles of communities from around the state, offering insights into the unique histories of Minnesota's varied regions. Written by local experts, the books provide clear, concise, historical overviews based on solid research and scholarship. Stories are both familiar and surprising to readers who know a city's streets but not the stories behind them.

The first four books in the series are focused on Minneapolis, Duluth, St. Paul, and Rochester. *Minneapolis: An Urban Biography* by Tom Weber and *Duluth: An Urban Biography* by Tony Dierckins were published in the spring of 2020. The *St. Paul* installment, by Bill Lindeke, is slated for publication in spring 2021, and *Rochester*, by Virginia Wright-Peterson, will be published in 2022.

Women's Suffrage & Voting Rights Content, \$27,526

On the 100th anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment in 2020, MNHS Press published books and articles celebrating the contributions of women to Minnesota history and the struggle for voting rights. Based on solid, documented research by experts in the field, the publications inform Minnesotans about this important area of state history and help connect that history to the state of affairs today, including the high rate of participation by women in the political process.

During FY20, MNHS Press acquired, edited, and prepared for publication the book Turnout: Making Minnesota the State that Votes by longtime Minnesota Secretary of State Joan Growe and retired Star Tribune reporter Lori Sturdevant, chronicling Growe's life and her work as a leading advocate for voting rights; the book was released in August 2020. The Minnesota History magazine editor planned and developed a special double issue focused on women's rights and suffrage in Minnesota, with articles commissioned from top writers and scholars; the magazine was delivered to members and subscribers in October 2020. MNopedia commissioned and edited eight new articles on topics related to suffrage and women's history during FY20, with the articles published on the website in conjunction with the launch of the Votes for Women online exhibit on August 26, 2020.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Multimedia Unit, \$15,351

Legacy funds supported non-exhibit work to produce video, audio, and other multimedia content for educational, interpretive, and promotional programs across MNHS.

Public Awareness & Communication, \$195,495

MNHS staff created communication strategies and promotional materials for Legacy projects, programs, grants, and exhibits using media relations, social media, and various marketing tools. This work is aimed at providing access to history to the state's students, teachers, and the general public.

VOLUNTEER SERVICES AND INTERNS

College Internship Program, \$97,002

This program offers interns the opportunity to work alongside experts in the field and gain professional experience. During three cycles each year, college student interns are placed in various departments and sites across MNHS. These placements give MNHS staff new perspectives on our existing programs, provide interns valuable support and work experience, and also help students develop as future leaders.

The internship program places special emphasis on recruiting students from communities of color with Legacy funds used to provide stipends.

In FY20, 54 students contributed nearly 9,000 work hours with 24% of interns coming from diverse communities

REPORT OF HISTORY PARTNERSHIPS



Support from the Legacy Amendment's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund has resulted in partnerships between the Minnesota Historical Society and more than 20 organizations.

It also supports the Heritage Partnership Program that works to build the capacity of two or more independent organizations to preserve and enhance access to Minnesota's history and cultural resources, by supporting the creation and development of sustainable, history-based partnerships throughout the state.

This Legacy report presents a look back on how funds were used for History Partnerships rather than a look forward on projected future uses.

FY20-21 Appropriations Language—History Partnerships: \$2,500,000 each year is for history 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.

Above: Elsa Carlson of Open World Learning Community School in St. Paul earned first place at the virtual Minnesota State History Day contest and went on to compete in nationals.

EDUCATION AND PROGRAMMING

Educational Achievement, \$28,641

Partners: Washington Technology Magnet School (Saint Paul Public Schools), Northland Community Schools (Remer)

The Educational Achievement initiative allowed MNHS to create partnerships with two school districts—one rural and one urban—to encourage use of MNHS products and evaluate programs on a deeper level through interviews, student feedback, and surveys.

This increased and deeper use of MNHS materials, such as teacher professional development and field trips, helps ensure quality social studies instruction within these districts for teachers and helps prepare teachers to teach a more complete story of Minnesota and US history.

In FY20 Washington Tech students took field trips to Split Rock Lighthouse and Forest History Center, and a Northland secondary student interned at Forest History Center.

History Day Partnerships, \$234,493

Partners: Minnesota State Colleges & Universities, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis Public Schools, Saint Paul Public Schools, Associated Colleges of the Twin Cities

These funds enabled MNHS staff to coordinate the National History Day in Minnesota program which reaches approximately 27,000 students in grades 6-12 annually. The program emphasizes engaging students from diverse backgrounds, expanding statewide reach, building college readiness skills, and strengthening the mentoring skills of college students.

Through partnerships with public and academic libraries, school districts, and higher education institutions, MNHS staff were able to develop curriculum, host teacher workshops, deliver inclassroom presentations, coordinate a statewide network of mentors, host research open houses, coordinate a progressive contest cycle, and offer summer enrichment programs for middle and high school students.

In FY20, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, MNHS and its partners quickly pivoted to hosting the remaining regional competitions as well as the state competition online. From there, 59 Minnesota students participated in the first-ever virtual national competition, with 10 students being awarded medals including three gold medals, three silver medals, one bronze medal, and several top finishers.

State Fair Programming, \$27,455

Partner: Minnesota State Fair Foundation

MNHS and the Minnesota State Fair Foundation partner annually to share the history of the Great Minnesota Get-Together. The Minnesota State Fair Walking Tour allows visitors to pick up a brochure and explore fair history at 12 stops, including two new stops at the 2019 fair.

History-on-a-Schtick—an original, vaudevillian romp through Minnesota's past with sing-alongs, trivia, and prizes-entertained and educated nearly 5,000 guests over 24 performances.

FINANCE

Administrative Costs, \$96,073

MNHS works to minimize administrative costs 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 partnership programs.

HERITAGE PRESERVATION

Building Capacity of History Professionals, \$54,000 Partner: Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums (MALHM)

MALHM and MNHS collaborated to develop the capacity of history professionals across the state to better serve local communities and the 500+ organizations in Minnesota's history community. Through this partnership, MALHM provides best practices training opportunities, resources, and networking opportunities for local history practitioners. MALHM is also working to create a reliable collections management system for local organizations to replace the aging PastPerfect software.

Another key component of this partnership is the annual conference. This year, due to the COVID-19 pandemic the Alliance pivoted to conducting conference sessions online and they have been helping the state's history organizations respond to the pressures of the pandemic in other ways.

Historic Preservation Corps, \$438,000

Partner: Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps

This program provides training for young adults in historic preservation techniques while addressing the preservation needs of the state's historic structures and landscapes. The partnership between Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps and MNHS increases the viability of a historic preservation activity by building on a conservation corps model.

During the 2020 field season, Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps completed 8,181 hours on service projects helping to maintain and repair 20 historic structures (and a tugboat!) and cleaned and reset more than 300 gravestones in cemeteries across Minnesota. Project locations included Duluth, St. Cloud, Ely, Red Wing, and more.

Legacy Strategic Agenda Collaborative, \$62,795

Partner: Minnesota Alliance of Local History Museums (MALHM)

The LSA Collaborative was made up of 15 volunteer members who hail from diverse disciplines, cultures, and areas of the state that are part of the Minnesota history community. The Collaborative produced the Legacy Strategic Agenda's 2016-2020 vision, goals and strategies, and in FY20 oversaw action teams charged with creative solutions to implementing strategies around three areas of focus: history education, Legacy grants, and unfamiliar stories.

Minnesota Main Street Partnership, \$217,209

Partner: Rethos (Formerly Preservation Alliance of Minnesota)

As of the end of FY20, Minnesota had 11 Designated Main Street Communities: Albert Lea, Faribault, Mankato, Northfield, Olivia, Owatonna, Red Wing, Shakopee, Wabasha, Willmar, and Winona. Olivia and Albert Lea were the most recent additions.

Through the program each of these unique historic towns has seen social and economic vitality return to their downtowns while showcasing outstanding historic structures.

The partnership provides ongoing technical assistance, packaged in-house preservation design training and services as requested, counsel for potential Main Street programs, promotion for Minnesota Main Street statewide, peer-learning and networking opportunities for designated Main Street programs, training for new local directors and volunteers, and quarterly data collection.

With the onset of COVID-19, the Main Street program pivoted to addressing new challenges in keeping downtown businesses functional. The Main Street Support Fund was initiated to provide new digital resources or physical upgrades necessary to meet mandated guidelines for operating during the pandemic. At year end, 60 downtown businesses within Main Street communities have benefited from this funding. Design assistance created two toolkits for design of Safe Space. Scheduled trainings and Annual Partnership Visits continued virtually. In addition, seven Main Street communities participated in Artists on Main Street, six communities participated in facade/signage design assistance, and each community received technical assistance for downtown improvements and events.

Preservation Education, \$84,348

Partner: Rethos (formerly Preservation Alliance of Minnesota)

This program provides education for homeowners, realtors, community members, and professionals in the care and history of historic buildings. In FY20, 37 classes were held online and in-person with more than 600 people attending from across the state and beyond. The curriculum continues to expand with new classes on architecture styles and neighborhood development of the Twin Cities and racism in real estate. The latter class had a record 66 participants in the summer of 2020. Of these, Rethos held three home maintenance classes which covered problems occurring in older homes such as drafty windows and upgrading mechanical systems. Classes are taught by industry and academic professionals.

INCLUSION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Diversity Outreach, \$98,331

Partners: various

This allocation supports the work of the Department of Inclusion and Community Engagement (DICE) to develop new constituents for MNHS and for the department's internal learning and development work including an annual conference and ongoing programming on diversity and inclusion for staff.

Heritage Studies & Public History Graduate Program, \$159,160

Partner: University of Minnesota

Launched in fall 2017, the Heritage Studies and Public History graduate program takes advantage of the deep scholarly expertise at the University of Minnesota as well as the Minnesota Historical Society's extensive resources and expertise to offer unparalleled training in the theory and methods of heritage and public history studies at the graduate level. This two-year program offers a master's degree in one of three cultural heritage tracks: historical archaeology, historic preservation, and public history.

Students in the program gain technical knowledge about the field while also learning how to address issues of inclusion and equity within the practice. Through a number of field experiences, students also learn to work collaboratively with community agencies and organizations to enhance historical narratives or develop cultural resources that ensure more equitable practices.

In May 2020, the program conferred degrees on 23 students marking the second class of students to graduate with a masters degree.

Museum Access, \$69,167

Partners: Minnesota Access Alliance, VSA Minnesota, and Minnesota Council on Disabilities

The Minnesota Historical Society has been committed to providing access for all visitors, staff, and volunteers by removing barriers that prevent people from engaging with our sites, collections, website, social media channels, programs, and employment.

In FY20, MNHS launched an accessibility foundations training for all new interpreters across its network of historic sites and museums, and continued to evaluate sites' accessibility and visitors' preferred accommodation options. MNHS also continued to offer free access workshops for cultural access professionals in partnership with the Minnesota Access Alliance.

Museum Fellows Program, \$52,940

Partners: University of Minnesota, Augsburg University

The Museum Fellows Program encourages Twin Cities undergraduates from diverse communities to explore the challenges within museums, historical organizations, and cultural institutions as they relate to inclusion, representation, narrative, and the workforce. The program is designed to encourage more students to consider working in the museum field, and consists of three major phases: a three-credit college course to introduce students to the museum field and examine challenge of inclusion in the field; paid summer internships; and a museum study trip to Washington, DC, or Chicago to observe practical application of the concepts and theory learned throughout the program.

In FY20, 22 students successfully completed the Museum Fellows Program.

Neighborhood Leadership Program, \$75,696

Partner: Amherst H. Wilder Foundation

MNHS and the Wilder Foundation work together to provide greater access and awareness of MNHS resources to St. Paul neighborhoods through the Wilder Foundation's Neighborhood Leadership Program (NLP). NLP is a six-month training program for existing and emerging leaders to amplify their role in the community as leaders and to take action to improve their community. NLP also offers six weeks of leadership training delivered in Spanish for the Latino community as an extension of the traditional program.

Each year the program accepts 25-30 participants and has nearly 800 alumni from a diverse range of ages, cultures, experiences, languages, locations, and socioeconomic backgrounds. The history components of NLP, including the resources of the History Center's Gale Family Library, help participants understand how the past has contributed to current issues that St. Paul communities face.

Youth Partnerships, \$51,415

Partners: University of Minnesota's Department of African American & African Studies, Hallie Q. Brown Center, Minneapolis Community & Technical College, Saint Paul Public Schools

MNHS partners with diverse organizations to create in-depth, meaningful learning experiences for high school students that help to foster a sense of belonging, explore career opportunities, network with professionals, and tackle issues within the community.

The Teen Action Group (TAG) is a school-year-long program that helps introduce high school students to museums, what they do, and how communities are represented. Together students research underrepresented histories, organize events, and present their findings in new ways. This program uses historical knowledge and resources to learn about current events and issues affecting Minnesota's diverse communities.

In FY20, eight TAG students supported the opening of the Our Home: Native Minnesota exhibit through collections research and learning from various internal and external stakeholders about the histories of Indigenous peoples in Minnesota.

HERITAGE PRESERVATION PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM GRANTS

Itineraries and Project Development for the Minnesota River Valley National Scenic Byway, \$64,000

Partners: City of Appleton, Lower Sioux Agency Tribal Historic Preservation Office, Chippewa County Historical Society, Nicollet County Historical Society, Blue Earth County Historical Society, Renville County Historical Society

The Minnesota River Valley National Scenic Byway (Byway) is a partnership formed from grass-roots efforts by the people and agencies working and living along the Minnesota River. It was designated in 1996 by the Minnesota State Scenic Byway Commission and in 2002 as a National Scenic Byway. The Byway Alliance has more than 45 members representing cities, counties, historical societies, tourism entities, DNR, MnDOT, tribal communities, and interested citizens along the Minnesota River's 287-mile stretch. The Byway plays a vital role in linking and promoting historical sites and stories to tell the Minnesota River Valley history through programs, a website, roadside signs, a calendar, brochures, and other marketing materials.

This grant will strengthen the relationships between Byway partners, including relationships between county historical societies and the Upper Sioux Community Tribal Historic Preservation Office (USC THPO) and the Lower Sioux Indian Community Tribal Historic Preservation Office (LSIC THPO). Note, though the USC THPO did not sign on as a partner, they will provide input to review content. Also, many of the USC elders participate in the review process with the LSIC THPO. Byway Alliance members share a common desire to improve the quality and type of content available about the Dakota people's significance in the Minnesota River Valley, and they will ensure that Dakota voices are included in projects.

The partners will collaborate to develop three itineraries and explore additional opportunities to create local Heritage Tourism. The Byway partners, including Dakota communities, will strengthen the collaborations and provide better public access to high-quality Minnesota history through united historic resources.

Lake Minnetonka Historical Society: Viability Study and Strategic Plan, \$52,000

Partners: Wayzata Historical Society, Deephaven Historical Society, Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Historical Society, Minnetonka Historical Society, The Museum of Lake Minnetonka, Wayzata Historical Society, Westonka Historical Society

Six historical organizations connected to Lake Minnetonka are partnering to hire a consultant to conduct a viability study of a possible consolidation or strategic alliance. The partners are Deephaven Historical Society, founded in 2000; Excelsior-Lake Minnetonka Historical Society, founded in 1972; Minnetonka Historical Society, founded in 1995; The Museum of Lake Minnetonka, founded in 2004; Wayzata Historical Society, founded in 1982; and Westonka Historical Society, founded in 1966. These historical societies serve the communities of Deephaven, Excelsior, Greenwood, Minnetonka, Minnetonka Beach, Minnetrista, Mound, Orono, Shorewood, Spring Park, Tonka Bay, Victoria, Wayzata, Woodland, and parts of neighboring communities.

All partners have a common mission to collect, preserve, and publicly share the history of Lake Minnetonka. The redundancy of the partners' collecting practices has put them in competition for resources such as artifacts, volunteers, donors, members, and visitors. It also means that Lake Minnetonka's interpretation is fragmented, making research more tedious and time-consuming. Consolidating or sharing resources will benefit not only the partner organizations but the communities that they serve.

The grant will fund the gathering of information pertinent to the feasibility of consolidation and a strategic plan for consolidating or working as an alliance. This grant will address administration, governance, communications, membership, archives, museums, and public programs. The partner organizations will determine the best course of action to preserve, interpret, and improve access to Lake Minnetonka history.

Partnership Development to Explore Collaboration or Merger, \$53,448

Partners: Conservation Corps Minnesota & Iowa, Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps

As a conservation corps, the missions, work, and public service models of Northern Bedrock Historic Preservation Corps (NBHPC) and Conservation Corps MN & IA (CCMI) share a tradition of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC).

This grant will fund the exploration of a partnership between NBHPC and CCMI to better live up to the CCC's ideals by more fully preserving and protecting Minnesota's natural and cultural resources. The purpose is to explore the long-term benefits of strategic alignment. An alignment may create and deliver more sustainable programming with the scale and capacity to comprehensively address MN's historic, cultural, and natural resource protection needs while recruiting and developing the next generation of preservationists and public land managers.

This grant's scope centers on a strategic planning process to assess the viability of an organizational integration and facilitate governance planning moving forward. Additional evaluation components include a project needs survey, a community assets/needs assessment, a financial feasibility analysis, and a participant recruitment study. Additionally, both organizations require a more suitable space in Duluth. This strategic alignment planning process provides an opportunity to envision a collaborative space that supports innovative community connections and stewardship.

Rondo Roundtable - Historic Rondo Preservation Project, \$100,000

Partners: Reconnect Rondo, Center for Diverse Expression - Rondo Commemorative Plaza, Hallie Q Brown, Aurora St. Anthony Neighborhood Development Corporation

This grant will fund an initiative, called Rondo Roundtable, with the long-range goal of establishing "Historic Rondo" St. Paul's African American Arts, Cultural Heritage, and Business District. Select Roundtable members will combine resources and grow a collective capacity to support the ongoing research, identification, protection, development, and eventual designation of historic resources.

Working with Rondoites, students, scholars, and consultants, partners will: 1) align the stories identified in the African American Historic and Cultural Context Study and the Archival Project to the proper locations within the footprint of Historic Rondo and; 2) develop a mapped database of historically significant sites. The mapped database will advance the secondary goals of a) informing the restoration efforts that could take shape along a proposed land bridge and throughout the Historic Rondo Neighborhood; b) calculating the lost wealth experienced by the families inadequately compensated at the time by the I-94 construction; c) identifying original Rondoites and their descendants to collect artifacts and target future wealth-building opportunities; d) prioritizing historically significant sites to inform resource allocation better; e) recognizing what should be preserved, restored, replicated or historically marked; and f) investigating and enabling the design of tours, placemaking, digital interpretative tools or historically inspired business models.

From the recent Green Line light rail installation to the State Department of Transportation ReThinking of the I-94 corridor, the Rondo community has at its feet a catalytic moment to harness the revitalizing energy currently taking shape within the area. By leveraging the benefits of heritage preservation, members of the Roundtable are working to advance social and economic opportunities into the future, including addressing Rondo's legacy.

Scott County Cultural Commission, \$99,000

Partners: Scott County Historical Society, Three Rivers Park District, Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community, Scott County, City of Shakopee

This grant will create a visitor experience plan for a public walking trail along the Minnesota River in downtown Shakopee from Huber Park to The Landing. Funding will provide an experiential road map into the look and feel of the riverfront corridor. It will encompass the entire visit, from wayfinding to thematic messages, clearly outlining visitors' vision and the key takeaways for the whole experience. The secondary goal is to create a lasting partnership between five organizations to expand the narratives to other parks across the county, interpretation within our organizations, and collaborative programming partnerships.

The trail stretches across downtown Shakopee from Huber Park through Memorial Park, both currently characterized by typical park amenities and still-visible, extant, and artifact-positive burial mounds that date back thousands of years. As around Minnesota, post-contact development and infrastructure have decimated these culturally significant burial sites. The entire area is also the site of Chief Sakpe's village, Tinta Otunwe, of historical significance for Dakota peoples. The trail ends at The Landing, a historic interpretive site that tells the area's post-European story using a living timeline with historic structures preserved from the Shakopee area. The Landing is opening their property to the public, connecting the riverfront trail to the State Trail on the east.

Township Record Digitization and Manual Creation,

Partners: Steele County Historical Society, Aurora Township

As the center for area history preservation, the Steele County Historical Society (SCHS) seeks to advance Steele County history through partnership with Aurora Township (AT). There is a huge amount of Township records in the state and answering what to do about their preservation and access can be confounding. Township governments generally lack funding and technical knowledge to protect the history they record, yet their records are among the most factually rich primary sources. This partnership will prototype a process to digitize local government records and compile a how-to manual. The manual will be a statewide guide for other historical societies and townships interested in engaging this type of work.

REPORT OF OTHER STATEWIDE INITIATIVES



In addition to grants, programs, and partnerships, the Minnesota Legislature has appropriated funding from the Legacy Amendment's Arts and Cultural Heritage Fund to support initiatives for history, including the Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites, Minnesota Digital Library, and Additional Projects. These initiatives support statewide efforts to preserve and share history for future generations.

Above: Pottery from the Science Museum of Minnesota collection as featured in the A Handbook of Minnesota Prehistoric Ceramics.

STATEWIDE SURVEY OF HISTORICAL AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL SITES



The Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites provides opportunities to expand our understanding of these sites statewide. Projects are defined by an oversight board and are conducted through competitive-bid contracts. So far three major topics have been addressed by the survey: identification and protection of sensitive historic and archaeological resources; geographic surveys of poorly known areas of Minnesota; and thematic studies of poorly understood historic contexts.

To date more than 30 projects have been conducted, which have expanded the number of documented historic and archaeological sites in Minnesota, increased our understanding of where such sites are likely to be located, and illuminated cultural traditions, lifeways, and technologies dating to the earliest human occupations of the state.

FY20-21 Appropriations Language—Statewide Survey of Historical and Archaeological Sites: \$500,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$500,000 in fiscal year 2021 are for one or more contracts to be competitively awarded to conduct statewide surveys or investigations of Minnesota's sites of historical, archaeological, and cultural significance. Results of the surveys or investigations 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, the Indian Affairs Council, and the State Historic Preservation Office must each appoint a representative to an oversight board to select contractors and direct the conduct of the surveys or investigations. The oversight board must consult with the Department of Transportation and Department of Natural Resources.

Above: Pottery sherds from the Science Museum of Minnesota collection as featured in the A Handbook of Minnesota Prehistoric Ceramics.

Assembling a Handbook of Minnesota Precontact Ceramics: Phase I

In the 1970s, a publication titled "A Handbook of Minnesota Prehistoric Ceramics" was compiled, edited and included introductory chapters, ware descriptions and illustrations. Since that time, individual guides and reports have been created and have advised that with our increase of knowledge, many of the typologies in the original Handbook are now inadequate and outdated. This project conducted a review of relevant literature and collections, assembled a comprehensive view of past ceramic studies in the region, and produced a new classification scheme for Minnesota precontact ceramics for a new Ceramic Handbook.

An Archaeological Survey of Todd County, Minnesota

The primary objective of this study was to expand our knowledge concerning the location and character of pre-contact and early historic archaeological sites in Todd County. Todd County has a relatively low number of known pre-contact archaeological sites and we have a poor understanding of what pre-contact and early historic groups occupied the county. Almost no large-scale excavations have taken place in the county, and most sites are known only from reconnaissance surveys. A survey of Todd County complements a previous survey of Wadena County, which adjoins it to the north.

Assessing the Archaeological Potential of Two **Southeastern Minnesota Coulee Sites**

In 1987, two deeply buried, pre-contact archaeological sites were identified near King Creek and Dutchman's Creek adjacent to Lake Pepin in the Mississippi River Valley, the King Coulee (21WB0056) and Dutchman's Coulee (21WB0055) sites. During initial investigations, over 25,000 artifacts and ecofacts were recovered from both sites and the limited archaeological testing revealed rich deposits of lithics, ceramic, faunal and botanical remains. Two radiocarbon dates for King Coulee documented the use of squash (Curcurbita pepo) in the Late Archaic (2530 +/60 B.P.) and Late Woodland (1170 +/40 B.P.) temporal periods, suggesting a long history of agriculture in the area and early use of domesticated squash in the region. Using interdisciplinary methods through archaeology, geology and ecology, the results of this current survey assessed the archaeological potential at both sites, determined the vertical and horizontal extent of the King Coulee site and the absolute ages of the cultural horizons at both sites. The processing of the plant remains recovered in the initial investigations are providing a comprehensive window into early agriculture in southeastern Minnesota.

MINNESOTA DIGITAL LIBRARY



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.

MDL partnered with:

- 187 organizations through Minnesota Reflections, a premier searchable, online collection of primary source materials of more than 52,000 photos, maps, journals, letters, works of art, and more
- In FY20, MDL continued to digitize and make accessible material from across the state both on its own website, as well as through the website of the Digital Public Library of America

FY20-21 Appropriations Language—Minnesota Digital Library: \$375,000 in fiscal year 2020 and \$375,000 in fiscal year 2021 are for a digital library project to preserve, digitize, and share Minnesota images, documents, and historical materials. The Minnesota Historical Society must cooperate with the Minitex interlibrary loan system and must jointly share this appropriation for these purposes.

Map: Duluth Street Railway Company. 1911. "Map of Duluth (Minnesota) and Superior (Wisconsin) showing lines of The Duluth Street Railway Company, Duluth, Minnesota." University of Minnesota Duluth, Kathryn A. Martin Library, Northeast Minnesota Historical Collections.

ADDITIONAL PROJECTS

The Minnesota Legislature appropriated Legacy funding for these additional projects in the FY20-21 biennium:

\$200,000 the first year is for a grant to the Minnesota Military Museum to create and conduct a statewide story-sharing program to honor the distinct service of post-9/11 veterans in anticipation of the 2021 anniversary.

\$115,000 the first year is for a grant to the Minnesota Military Museum to care for, catalog, and display the recently acquired collection of the personal and professional effects belonging to General John W. Vessey, Minnesota's most decorated veteran.

\$40,000 the first year is for a grant to the Isanti County Historical Society to relocate, update, and preserve the Moody School and the Grandy Union Church.

\$150,000 the first year is for a grant to the commissioner of natural resources to maintain the history of the Grindstone River Dam at Hinckley.



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