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2021 Florida Humanities “American Rescue Plan” Grants Impact Report

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ABOUT FLORIDA HUMANITIES “AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN” GRANTS

When the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act was passed by Congress on March 11, 2021, the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) received \$135 million to assist humanities organizations across the country affected by the coronavirus pandemic. The state humanities councils, including Florida Humanities, each received a portion of the NEH award to provide short term general operating support in their respective states to museums, archives, historic sites, and other humanities-focused nonprofits.

In Fall 2021, **Florida Humanities awarded 129 organizations with a total of \$1,878,000** — the largest single grants initiative Florida Humanities has ever managed as well as the most funding ever distributed at one time.

From retaining jobs to supporting utility costs, the ARP funds will help the state’s cultural and historic organizations recover from the pandemic’s economic impact as well as maintain delivery of public humanities programming and resources in their communities.

\$1.88M

General operating support awarded to 129 organizations, which includes:

- \$1,365,000: staffing
- \$220,000: utilities
- \$115,000: technology
- \$90,000: rent/mortgage
- \$90,000: insurance

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON FLORIDA HUMANITIES “AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN” GRANTS, CONTACT LASHONDA CURRY AT LCURRY@FLAHUM.ORG.

AWARDED CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

ALACHUA

- Cotton Club Museum & Cultural Center (Gainesville) \$6,000
- Historic Haile Homestead Inc. (Gainesville) \$6,000
- Matheson History Museum, Inc. (Gainesville) \$22,500
- Neighborhoods United for a Better Alachua, Inc. (Alachua) \$1,000
- The Actors' Warehouse, Inc. (Gainesville) \$7,000

BAY

- Friends of the Governor Stone, Inc. (Panama City) \$5,000
- Historic St. Andrews Waterfront Partnership, Inc. (Panama City) \$10,500

BREVARD

- US Space Walk of Fame Foundation (Titusville) \$18,500

BROWARD

- Coral Springs Museum of Art (Coral Springs) \$25,000
- Davie School Foundation (Davie) \$23,500
- Deerfield Beach Historical Society, Inc. (Deerfield Beach) \$10,500
- Fort Lauderdale Historical Society, Inc. (Fort Lauderdale) \$25,000

- Island Society for the Promotion of Artistic and Cultural Education (Plantation) \$2,500
- Old Dillard Foundation (Fort Lauderdale) \$10,000
- Pompano Beach Historical Society (Pompano Beach) \$6,000
- Sample-McDougald Preservation Society, Inc. (Pompano Beach) \$21,000
- Stranahan House, Inc. (Fort Lauderdale) \$25,000
- The Empowerment Network Global, Inc. (Davie) \$3,000
- Yiddishkayt Initiative, Inc. (Coral Springs) \$11,500

CHARLOTTE

- Military Heritage Museum, Inc. (Punta Gorda) \$25,000

CITRUS

- Citrus County Historical Society, Inc. (Inverness) \$25,000

COLLIER

- Holocaust Museum and Education Center of SWFL (Naples) \$25,000
- Marco Island Historical Society (Marco Island) \$25,000

DESOTO

- DeSoto County Historical Society, Inc. (Arcadia) \$3,500

DUVAL

- Beaches Area Historical Society (Jacksonville Beach) \$25,000
- Friends of James Weldon Johnson Park (Jacksonville) \$22,000
- Mandarin Museum & Historical Society (Jacksonville) \$4,000

ESCAMBIA

- Pensacola Historic Preservation Society Inc. (Pensacola) \$2,000
- Pensacola Lighthouse Association, Inc. (Pensacola) \$25,000
- West Florida Historic Preservation, Inc. (Pensacola) \$25,000

FLAGLER

- African American Cultural Society, Inc. (Palm Coast) \$9,000
- Florida Agricultural Museum, Inc. (Palm Coast) \$24,000

446



Number of jobs retained
with Florida Humanities
funding



AWARDED CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

FRANKLIN

- Apalachicola Main Street, Inc. (Apalachicola) \$8,500
- City of Apalachicola - Apalachicola Center for History, Culture and Art (Apalachicola) \$7,000
- Dixie Theatre Foundation, Inc. (Apalachicola) \$6,000

GADSDEN

- Gadsden Arts Inc. (Quincy) \$25,000
- Havana History & Heritage Society, Inc. (Havana) \$6,000
- Quincy Main Street, Inc. (Quincy) \$6,000

HERNANDO

- Brooksville Vision Foundation (Brooksville) \$19,500
- Friends of Weeki Wachee Springs State Park Inc. (Weeki Wachee) \$14,500

- GFWC Historic Brooksville Woman's Club (Brooksville) \$2,500

HIGHLANDS

- Highway Park Neighborhood Preservation & Enhancement District Council (Lake Placid) \$6,000
- Sebring Historical Society, Inc. (Sebring) \$5,500

HILLSBOROUGH

- East Hillsborough Historical Society, Inc. (Plant City) \$7,500
- Florida Museum of Photographic Arts (Tampa) \$25,000
- Plant City Photo Archives (Plant City) \$12,000
- Sulphur Springs Museum and Heritage Center (Tampa) \$6,500
- Ybor City Museum Society, Inc. (Tampa) \$24,500

INDIAN RIVER

- Laura (Riding) Jackson Foundation (Vero Beach) \$16,000
- Vero Heritage, Inc. (Vero Beach) \$18,000

JEFFERSON

- Jefferson County Historical Association (Monticello) \$2,500
- Monticello Opera House (Monticello) \$25,000

LAKE

- Trout Lake Nature Center, Inc. (Eustis) \$14,000

LEE

- Barrier Island Parks Society, Inc. (Boca Grande) \$25,000
- Boca Grande Historical Society, Inc. (Boca Grande) \$14,000
- Cape Coral Historical Society Inc. (Cape Coral) \$11,500
- Sanibel Historical Museum & Village (Sanibel) \$23,000


LEON

- Council on Culture & Arts (Tallahassee) \$25,000
- Florida Association of Museums Foundation (Tallahassee) \$13,000
- Goodwood Museum and Gardens, Inc. (Tallahassee) \$25,000
- John G. Riley Center & Museum Inc. (Tallahassee) \$22,500
- Southern Shakespeare Company (Tallahassee) \$23,500
- Theater with a Mission, Inc. (Tallahassee) \$5,500
- To The Village Square, Inc. (Tallahassee) \$24,000

LEVY

- Cedar Key Historical Society, Inc. (Cedar Key) \$6,500



6.7M 

Number of people
annually served
statewide by grant
recipients

AWARDED CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

MANATEE

- Reflections of Manatee (Bradenton) \$12,500

MIAMI-DADE

- Bakehouse Art Complex, Inc. (Miami) \$25,000
- Fire Haus Projects, Inc. (Miami) \$7,000
- Gold Coast Railroad Museum (Miami) \$25,000
- Haitian Heritage Museum (Miami) \$5,500
- Historic Hampton House Community Trust (Miami) \$25,000
- Sephardi Voices USA, Inc. (Miami) \$6,000
- Virginia Key Beach Park Trust (Key Biscayne) \$25,000

MONROE

- Florida Keys History and Discovery Foundation (Islamorada) \$8,500
- Historic Markers, Inc. (Key West) \$3,000
- Mel Fisher Maritime Heritage Society, Inc. (Key West) \$25,000

NASSAU

- Amelia Island Museum of History (Fernandina Beach) \$25,000

OKALOOSA

- Heritage Museum of Northwest Florida (Valparaiso) \$8,000
- North Okaloosa Historical Association (Baker) \$4,500

ORANGE

- Albin Polasek Museum and Sculpture Gardens (Winter Park) \$25,000
- Association to Preserve African American Society, History and Tradition, Inc. (Orlando) \$9,500
- Association to Preserve the Eatonville Community, Inc. (Eatonville) \$25,000
- Friends of Casa Feliz, Inc. (Winter Park) \$24,500
- Historical Society of Central Florida (Orlando) \$25,000
- Winter Garden Heritage Foundation, Inc. (Winter Garden) \$25,000

OSCEOLA

- Museum of Military History, Inc. (Kissimmee) \$25,000
- Osceola County Historical Society, Inc. (Kissimmee) \$25,000

PALM BEACH

- Boca Raton Historical Society Inc. (Boca Raton) \$24,500
- Loxahatchee River Historical Society (Jupiter) \$25,000

- Spady Cultural Heritage Museum, Inc. (Delray Beach) \$25,000

PASCO

- Pioneer Florida Museum Association, Inc. (Dade City) \$15,000

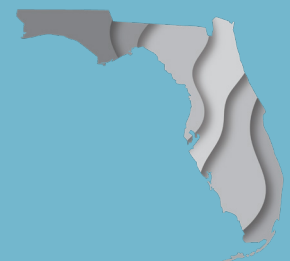
PINELLAS

- Dr. Carter G. Woodson African American Museum (St. Petersburg) \$24,000
- Dunedin Historical Museum, Inc. (Dunedin) \$25,000
- Friends of the Gulf Beaches Historical Museum (St. Pete Beach) \$3,000
- Gulfport Historical Society (Gulfport) \$2,500
- Keep St. Pete Lit (St. Petersburg) \$8,500
- Palm Harbor Historical Society (Palm Harbor) \$5,000
- Pinellas County African American History Museum (Clearwater) \$3,500
- St. Petersburg Preservation (St. Petersburg) \$21,000
- St. Petersburg Museum of History (St. Petersburg) \$25,000
- Studio@620, Inc. (St. Petersburg) \$25,000
- Your Real Stories, Inc. (St. Petersburg) \$11,000

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Number of Florida counties represented in Florida Humanities funding

Grantees included 13 organizations in seven Rural Areas of Opportunity (DeSoto, Franklin, Gadsden, Highlands, Jefferson, Levy, Putman counties)



AWARDED CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS

POLK

- Kathleen Area Historical Society (Kathleen) \$5,000
- Lake Wales History Museum (Lake Wales) \$23,500

PUTNAM

- Bartram Trail Society of Florida (Palatka) \$3,000

SAINT JOHNS

- Fort Mose Historical Society (St. Augustine) \$3,000
- Friends of Lincolnville, Inc. (St. Augustine) \$22,000
- St. Augustine Film Society (St. Augustine) \$1,000
- St. Augustine Historical Society (St. Augustine) \$25,000
- St. Johns County Cultural Council Inc. (St. Augustine) \$25,000
- The Ximenez-Fatio House Museum (St. Augustine) \$25,000

SAINT LUCIE

- A.E. Backus Museum & Gallery (Fort Pierce) \$25,000
- Lincoln Park Main Street (Fort Pierce) \$8,000
- St. Lucie County Oxbow Eco-Center (Port St. Lucie) \$25,000

SARASOTA

- Englewood Museum (Englewood) \$1,000
- Lemon Bay Historical Society Inc. (Englewood) \$2,500

- Vickie O! Heritage Productions, Inc. (Sarasota) \$6,000

SEMINOLE

- Goldsboro West Side Community Historical Association, Inc. (Sanford) \$6,000

SUMTER

- Young Performing Artists Inc. (Wildwood) \$3,500

VOLUSIA

- African American Museum of the Arts, Inc. (DeLand) \$3,500
- Community Healing Project Inc. (Daytona Beach) \$1,000
- DeLand Naval Air Station Museum, Inc. (DeLand) \$3,000
- Enterprise Preservation Society, Inc. (Enterprise) \$4,500
- Halifax Historical Society & Museum (Daytona Beach) \$10,000
- Holly Hill Historic Preservation Society (Holly Hill) \$1,000
- Ormond Beach Historical Society (Ormond Beach) \$18,500
- Pioneer Settlement for the Creative Arts, Inc. (Barberville) \$23,500
- Southeast Volusia Historical Society (New Smyrna Beach) \$11,500
- West Volusia Historical Society, Inc. (DeLand) \$5,000

80%

Total funding awarded to organizations with budgets of less than \$500,000

Of the 129 organizations, the average annual operating budget was **\$286,000.**

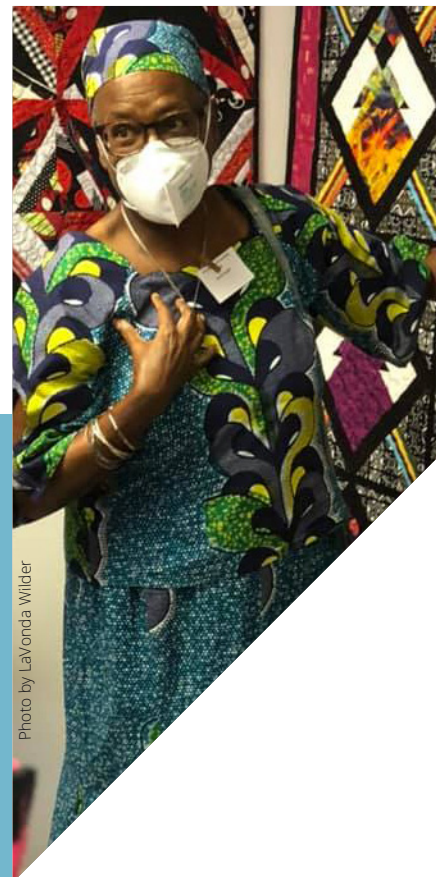


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