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The Montana History Foundation Announces $160,000 in Grants Available in 2022

The Montana History Foundation will award $160,000 in preservation grants throughout the state during its upcoming 2022 grant cycle, which is now accepting applications. This year, the Foundation looks to reach a goal of funding projects in every Montana county. Since 2012, MHF has funded projects in all but seven counties.

“Our mission is to support community-based history projects in every corner of Montana,” says Foundation President/CEO Charlene Porsild. “In our first ten years of grant making we placed over $1 million into projects in 49 counties. Our goal is to continue that support and extend our reach to all 56 counties in the state.”

To reach that goal, The Montana History Foundation is encouraging preservation and heritage grant proposals from Toole, Pondera, Garfield, McCone, Roosevelt, Powder River, and Treasure counties, though applications from anywhere in Montana are welcome.

Grants range in size from $500 to $10,000 for projects that help preserve and protect Montana’s history. Tax exempt organizations can apply for funds in the following categories: historic buildings and structures, historic cemeteries and sacred sites, collections and artifacts, oral histories, and outreach and project development.

“This fall we held grant writing workshops in some of our rural communities, including Jordan in Garfield County, in hopes of creating more connections with residents looking to fund historic preservation,” says Heritage Projects and Grants Manager Kate McCourt. “We are excited to see what projects are seeking funding in 2022 from across Montana.”

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Further funding details and the application link can be found at mthistory.org/criteria. The grant cycle opened on November 1st and applications are due by 5:00 pm on Friday, January 14, 2022. The Montana History Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit charity raising money to provide funding for history and preservation projects across Montana. Our grant program is made possible by generous donors and funders from across Montana and the United States.

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