America250MI History Grant Program – Round 1 Recipients June 2025

Here are the awarded projects for Round 1. In all, 50-plus grant recipients will share nearly \$1 million in funding. The award information is grouped into three tiers of individual grant amounts:

- Tier 1 grantees (\$2,500-\$5,000)
- Tier 2 grantees (\$5,001-\$25,000)
- Tier 3 grantees (\$25,001-\$50,000)

Tier 1 Grantees

Organization	County	Amount awarded	Project
Allegan County Historical Society	Allegan	\$5,000	Artifact Storage and Preservation
Ionia County Historical Society	Ionia	\$5,000	Anishinaabe Mobile Exhibit
Neebish Island Historical Society	Chippewa	\$5,000	Inland Look-out Restoration
Charter Township of Oakland	Oakland	\$4,995	Revolutionary War Veteran Grave
			Markers, Cemetery Tours and
			Exhibition
Tuscola County	Tuscola	\$5,000	Outdoor Interpretive Signage and
			Kiosk
Vicksburg Historical Society	Kalamazoo	\$5,000	Digital Archive and Public Access
			Initiative
Algonac-Clay Township Historical	St. Clair	\$4,425	Digital Archiving – Preserving the
Society			Maritime History Along the St.
			Clair River
Edwardsburg Museum Group	Cass	\$2,975	Museum Handicap Access and
			Renovation
Historical Society of Clinton	Lenawee	\$4,641	Digitization Hardware, Software
			and Photo Book
Jackson Civil War Society	Jackson	\$5,000	Jackson Civil War Muster
Genealogical Society of Monroe	Monroe	\$3,640	Preserving WWII Newspapers
County			through Digitization

Pentwater Historical Society	Oceana	\$5,000	Journeys to Pentwater – Immigration Exhibit
Niles History Center	Berrien	\$4,750	Kinfe Blade and Balde Fragment
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Marquette Maritime Museum	Marquette	\$3,926	3-Dimensional Exhibit Kiosks
Askeladden Lodge Sons of	Kalamazoo	\$2,640	One Act Play Celebrating
Norway Lucinda Hinsdale Stone			Norwegian Immigration
Chapter			
Brownstown Historical Society	Wayne	\$2,500	Brownstown Bicentennial
			Interpretive Digital Signage
Friends of the White Pine Trail	Kent	\$5,000	Multi-sensory Trail Markers
Berlin Charter Township Historical	Monroe	\$3,250	South Rockwood United
Society			Methodist Church Historical
			Marker and Exhibition
Mackinaw Area Public Library	Emmet	\$3,811.13	Archives Digitization and Oral
			History Project
Tecumseh Area Historical Society and Museum	Lenawee	\$4,987.99	Mobile Oral History Project
Flat River Historical Society	Montcalm	\$4,911	Factories, Families and Farewells
			Exhibition
Michigan Firehouse Museum	Washtenaw	\$4,897	Statewide Fireman Line of Duty
			Death Registry, Database and
			Exhibit
Webster Township Historical	Washtenaw	\$4,965.86	Digitizing and Sharing the Archival
Society			History of Webster Township
Macomb County Historical	Macomb	\$3,000	Speaker Series, Walking Tours and
Society			Exhibition
Salem Area Historical Society	Washtenaw	\$4,890	American Founding Documents Exhibition

Tier 2 Grantees

Organization	County	Amount awarded	Project
Pickford Area Historical Society	Chippewa/Mackinac	\$18,692	Museum Capital Improvements -
			New Well and Bathrooms
Wayne Historical Society	Wayne	\$15,000	Museum Capital Improvement -
			Fire Truck Exhibit
City of St. Ignace	Mackinac	\$25,000	Museum of Ojibwa - Longhouse
			Renovations and Repairs
City of Rochester	Oakland	\$9,486	Revolutionary Hero Cemetery
			Preservation and Awareness
Sanilac County Historical Society	Sanilac	\$25,000	Outdoor Interpretive Signage and
			Traveling Exhibition with
			Interactive Digital Content
Michigan Institute for	Ingham	\$25,000	Old Town Lansing Documentary,
Contemporary Art			Photo Book, Public Presentations
			and Interactive Signage
Great Lakes Children's Museum	Grand Traverse	\$25,000	Hands-on, Interactive Exhibit –
			History of Shipping and
			Shipwrecks in Michigan
Friends of Theodore Roethke	Saginaw	\$25,000	Stone House Museum - Capital
Foundation			Improvements
Westphalia Historical Society	Clinton	\$16,200	Capital Improvements and
			Genealogy Research Station
Wright Township Historical	Ottawa	\$22,000	Old Wright Township Hall –
Society			Capital Improvements and
			Improved Handicap Access
Zeeland Historical Society	Ottawa	\$25,000	We the People – Exhibition and
			Oral History Project
R.E. Olds Transportation Museum	Ingham	\$24,300	Labor History of Lansing Exhibit
Oshtemo Historical Society	Kalamazoo	\$6,620	Drake House Flooring Restoration

Gospel Army Black History Group	Genesee	\$20,000	Youth-led Historical Education
			Program
Jackson County Historical Society	Jackson	\$24,000	Pathways of Patriotism -
			Educational Exhibit
Port Austin Reef Light Association	Huron	\$22,549.46	Interpretive Interactive Signage
			and Exhibit Upgrades
Troy Historical Society	Oakland	\$12,513	Oral History – Underrepresented
			Communities

Tier 3 Grantees

Organization	County	Amount Awarded	Project
Marshall National Society of the	Calhoun	\$36,324.66	Governor's Mansion Museum –
Daughters of the American			Exterior Capital Improvements
Revolution			
IXL Museum	Menominee	\$50,000	IXL Museum – Exterior
			Renovation and Painting
Grand Rapids African American	Kent	\$45,000	Third Ward Legacy Tour –
Museum and Archives			Interactive Signage and Maps,
			Multimedia Content and Digital
			Archive
Muskegon County Museum	Muskegon	\$50,000	Hackley and Hume Museum -
			Historic Window and Exterior
			Restoration
Grosse Point War Memorial	Wayne	\$50,000	Stabilizing Collection, Museum
Association			Infrastructure and Interpretive
			Framework
The Henry Ford	Wayne	\$50,000	Jackson House Restoration and
			Immersive Exhibition
Gratiot County Historical and	Gratiot	\$49,989.54	Ammi Wright - Permanent Exhibit
Genealogical Society			and Public Programming

Keweenaw Community	Houghton	\$50,000	"Big Annie" Statue Project
Foundation			
Mount Clemens Historical	Macomb	\$36,000	Public Art Restoration
Commission			
Michigan Society Sons of the	Allegan	\$50,000	Frontier to Freedom – Research
American Revolution			and Documentary on Early
			History of Michigan
Gerald R. Ford Presidential	Kent	\$50,000	Democracy Café Mobile
Foundation			Community Access Exhibition –
			Grand Rapids 250