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ARP Webinar on RECOVER and RENEW Grants Agenda

1. Intro to Delaware Humanities
2. Defining the humanities fields and public humanities work
3. General Info on American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Grants
4. RECOVER Grant General Info: Who, What, How, When
5. RENEW Grant General Info: Who, What, How, When
6. Important Dates for RECOVER and RENEW Grants



Who/What is Delaware Humanities?

Delaware Humanities is Delaware's independent, nonprofit affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Founded in 1973, our mission is:

Delaware Humanities strengthens our communities by encouraging all Delawareans to be inspired, informed, and engaged through exploring the diversity of the human experience.



How we define **humanities**: we use these fields/disciplines



...to do public humanities work/practice

- How?
- You use the **humanities** on a daily basis when you: explore human histories, values, cultures, and beliefs to analyze, discuss, and process
- Examples: Exhibits, workshops, documentaries, symposiums, book festivals, and discussions



American Rescue Plan Act

- Approved by U.S. Congress and signed into law on March 2021
- \$1.9 trillion total
- NEH received \$135 million in supplemental funding, 40% designated for state humanities councils
- Our branch, Delaware Humanities will receive just over \$620,000, and the majority of that is for organizations doing humanities work
- We divided that funding into two funnels: RECOVER and RENEW Grants
- More questions about ARPA? Here's a [link](#) to the NEH's page about it



RECOVER and RENEW Grants for 2021/2022

- Through the American Rescue Plan and the National Endowment for the Humanities from July 9th – November 19th, 2021, we are offering two (2) types of Support:
- ***RECOVER Grants: General Operating Support for humanities-based organizations – up to \$20,000 may be requested**
- **RENEW Grants: Humanities programming/activity Support for organizations that do humanities programming- up to \$20,000 can be requested**
- **(Opportunity Grants are continuing to be awarded in FY21! They are processed on a rolling basis.)**



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RECOVER Grant Support

- RECOVER Grants provide General Operating Support (GOS) to help DE organizations with a humanities-based mission to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and/or recover from the coronavirus (Covid-19)



RECOVER information

- **WHO** should apply for RECOVER support: DE 501(c)(3) organizations that have the humanities as **core** to their mission.
 - Museums
 - Historical societies and heritage organizations
 - Cultural and community organizations with a mission in the humanities
- **WHAT** will it cover? RECOVER support invests in your organization's mission, rather than specific programs and activities. It can cover:
 - a. All general operating costs EXCEPT facilities related costs like construction, repair, or replacement of systems or structure
- **HOW** much can I apply for?
Up to \$20,000 maximum. There is no matching requirement. You will upload your organization's general operating budget, and your request for support will be based on that.
- **WHEN** will my organization get the funds? We will process RECOVER Grants on a rolling basis, reviewing applications every three weeks. RECOVER funds will be available soon after the review and decision.
- More details on each grant type are in our ARP GUIDELINES document, accessible for download on our website [here](#)



RENEW Humanities Programming/Activity Support

- RENEW Grants provide funding for specific humanities programming or activities that help the organization to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and/or recover from the coronavirus (Covid-19)



RENEW information

- **WHO should apply for RENEW support:**
 - Delaware 501(c)(3) organizations,
 - Delaware public institutions of higher education
 - Libraries
 - Delaware state and local government agencies
 - Delaware performing arts and visual arts-based organizations that do humanities programming but do not have a mission in the humanities
- **HOW much can I apply for?** A maximum of \$20,000 can be requested, no matching requirement.
- **WHEN will my organization get the funds?** RENEW applications will be processed on a rolling basis, with decisions made every month.



Additional RENEW details

- **WHAT** costs will it cover? RENEW support is for specific humanities programming or activities, like:
- **Staff and operational costs directly associated with humanities programming**
- **Technical or consulting needs**
- **Expansion of outdoor and/or virtual activities**
- **Capacity building efforts: strategic or business planning, program development, governance or marketing plans**
- **Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Accessibility (DEIA) assessments and planning related to Covid-19 and social justice awareness**
- **Audience diversification and expansion efforts to underserved populations in DE**
- **Ideas that are not listed are welcome; reach out to our Grants Officer if you are unsure if it would qualify. (esamarasinghe@dehumanities.org)**



Ineligible Costs for RECOVER & RENEW Grants

- Work outside of the humanities
- Overlapping costs with other federal grants (including DE Humanities grants)
- Collections acquisitions
- Re-grants, prizes, awards, or scholarships
- Travel
- Purchase of land, construction, renovation
- Lobbying; legislative support; advocacy of political action



Important Dates

- November 19th, 2021 – application will CLOSE for RECOVER and RENEW Grants; the date may change based on funds dispersed. We encourage organizations to apply early for this reason.
- December 1st, 2021- all RENEW activities/programming must begin on or before this date



Questions?

Specific ARP application questions should be directed to:
Erin Samarasinghe, Grant Officer

Email: esmarasinghe@dehumanities.org

FAQ and Grant Guidelines can (and should!) be downloaded [here](#)
(302)-657-0650 ext. 114

