



OFFICE of MUSEUM SERVICES

Helping museums serve communities

- Aquariums • Arboretums and Botanical Gardens • Art Museums
- Children's Museums • Historic Sites • History Museums
- Natural History and Anthropology Museums • Nature Centers
- Science/Technology Museums • Zoos

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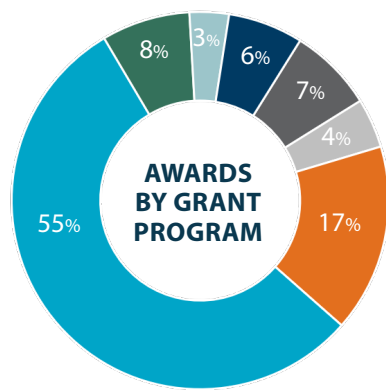
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The Institute of Museum and Library Services is the primary source of federal funding for America's museums and libraries.

The Office of Museum Services makes grants to museums of every discipline and of every budget size. Special initiatives focus attention on exemplary service, emerging practices, and critical needs in the museum field.

FUNDING AT A GLANCE

The Office of Museum Services invested **\$34,715,000** in museums and related organizations serving millions of Americans. Grants promote lifelong learning, build capacity of professional staff, and increase public access.



- Museums for America
- Museums Empowered
- Inspire! Grants for Small Museums
- Museum Grants for African American History and Culture
- Special Initiatives
- Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services
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- National Leadership Grants for Museums



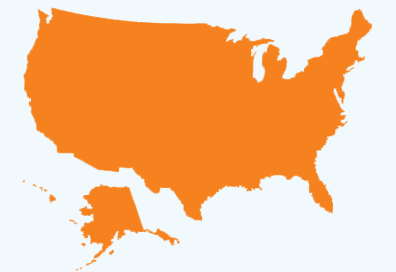
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applications received

219

awards granted

6 new regional workshops held across America to help **SMALL** museums and those serving **RURAL** communities apply for IMLS funding.



AWARDED GRANTS + MATCHING FUNDS

Program	Awarded grants	Matching funds
National Leadership Grants for Museums	\$5.6M	\$6.2M
Museum Grants for African American History and Culture	\$2.2M	\$2.5M
Native American/Native Hawaiian Museum Services	\$1.4M	\$461K
Inspire! Grants for Small Museums	\$1.1M	\$588K
Museums for America	\$19.1M	\$23.3M
Museums Empowered	\$2.6M	\$4.1M

■ Awarded grants ■ Matching funds



GRANT PROGRAMS

MUSEUMS FOR AMERICA

\$5,000–\$250,000

Supports activities that strengthen museums as active resources for lifelong learning, vital components of livable communities, and exemplary stewards of the nation's collections.

MUSEUMS EMPOWERED

\$5,000–\$250,000

Supports professional development opportunities for museum staff.

INSPIRE! GRANTS FOR SMALL MUSEUMS

\$5,000–\$50,000

Supports projects that strengthen the abilities of small museums to serve their communities.

NATIONAL LEADERSHIP GRANTS FOR MUSEUMS

\$5,000–\$1,000,000

Supports projects that address critical needs of the museum field and that have the potential to advance practice in the profession.

MUSEUM GRANTS FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE

\$5,000–\$250,000

Supports professional development, institutional capacity building, and increasing access to collections at African American museums and HBCUs.

NATIVE AMERICAN/NATIVE HAWAIIAN MUSEUM SERVICES

\$5,000–\$100,000

Enhances museum services to sustain heritage, culture, and knowledge among federally recognized tribes and organizations that primarily serve and represent Native Hawaiians.



Image: Gold bowl c. 700, Cypriot.

Deadline for all FY 2021 applications: **November 16, 2020**

All grant programs are subject to the availability of funds and IMLS discretion. Deadlines are tentative. Additional funding opportunities may become available throughout the year.

PARTNERSHIPS & INITIATIVES

COLLECTIONS ASSESSMENT FOR PRESERVATION (CAP)

Helps small and medium sized museums assess their collections, buildings, and related policies. Managed by the Foundation for Advancement in Conservation.

MUSEUM ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (MAP)

Helps small and mid-sized museums become more sustainable, build capacity, meet professional standards, and collaborate with their communities. Managed by the American Alliance of Museums.

SAVE AMERICA'S TREASURES

Helps preserve nationally significant historic properties and collections. Administered by the National Park Service in partnership with IMLS, NEA, and NEH.

MUSEUMS FOR ALL

Encourages low-income families to visit museums and build lifelong museum habits through free or greatly reduced admissions fees. Managed by the Association of Children's Museums.

MUSEUMS FOR DIGITAL LEARNING

Strengthens adoption and use of digital museum collections in K-12 schools. Managed by Newfields, in partnership with the Field Museum, and History Colorado.

MUSEUMS AND LIBRARIES FOR SCHOOL READINESS

Builds a national network to addresses school readiness for young children and their families. Managed by the Boston Children's Museum and the BUILD Initiative.

EVALUATION

MUSEUM GRANTS FOR AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY AND CULTURE

A retrospective evaluation conducted by the Urban Institute.

MARKET ANALYSIS OF MUSEUM CAPACITY BUILDING PROGRAMS

An opportunity assessment conducted by Partnership for Public Good.

AWARDED GRANT DATA ANALYSIS

A synthesis of multi-year museum grants conducted by 2M Research.

MAKING A DIFFERENCE

500+ museums provided more than **2.5 MILLION VISITORS** with free or reduced admission through Museums for All.

2 CONVENINGS provided an opportunity for **92 GRANTEES** to share successes, challenges and learnings with peers.

431 PEER REVIEWERS shared their expertise in reviewing IMLS museum grant applications.

1,000 underserved youth are being engaged through **STEM LEARNING** thanks to a partnership with the U.S. Department of Education and the New York Hall of Science.

Awarded **5 NATIONAL MEDALS** to museums across the nation for excellence in service to their communities.



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