



WEST VIRGINIA HUMANITIES COUNCIL ANNOUNCES "A MORE PERFECT UNION" GRANT AWARDS

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Charleston – The West Virginia Humanities Council, the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities, serves West Virginia through grants and direct programs in the humanities. The Humanities Council budgets over \$800,000 for grants and programs each year. A variety of grants are offered to nonprofit organizations that support educational programming.

The Council has recently awarded nearly \$25,000 for its special grant initiative, "A More Perfect Union: Democracy and Civic Engagement." With support from the National Endowment for the Humanities, these grants will fund projects that discuss, promote, and educate the public on the necessity of informed civic engagement to a functioning and sustainable constitutional republic. The grantees and their projects are as follows:

Brooke County Library Foundation, *Through the Eyes of Those Who Lived Through It*, lecture, reading, and discussion program

Summers County Historic Landmark Commission, *Civic Engagement on the Revolutionary Frontier*, booklet and discussions

Supreme Court of Appeals of West Virginia, *West Virginia Courts Learning Center*, interactive learning exhibit

Thanks! Plain and Simple, *West Virginia Children Prepare*, presentations and in-school activities

West Virginia University Research Corporation, *Validating your Voice*, presentations and discussions

For more information about the West Virginia Humanities Council grants program contact Humanities Council grants administrator Erin Riebe at (304) 346-8500 or via email at riebe@wvhumanities.org. Grant guidelines and applications are available on the Humanities Council website, www.wvhumanities.org.

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