

## **Grant Funding Opportunities in the Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area**

This is a select list of grant funding opportunities that may be used to match Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area grants. This is not an exhaustive list of grant funders and matching funds will be accepted from other organizations. Note that all information is subject to change, especially deadlines and total available funding. Please contact each organization for additional information.

### **Ausherman Family Foundation: General Grants**

- Award amount(s): \$2,500+ | Total available: Variable
- Deadline: Rolling basis; organizations can only be awarded one General Grant in a 12 month period.
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofit organizations located/working in Frederick County
- Matching requirement: Not required but preferred
- Focus: Education, Arts & Culture, Public/Society Benefit (among others)
- More info: <http://www.aushermanfamilyfoundation.org/grant-opportunities/general>
- Contact: Leigh Adams, Director, [ladams@aushermanfamilyfoundation.org](mailto:ladams@aushermanfamilyfoundation.org), (301) 620-4443

### **Ausherman Family Foundation: Capacity Building Grants**

- Award amount(s): \$2,500-\$25,000 | Total available: Variable
- Deadline: Letters of Inquiry are due January 15 and July 15.
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofit organizations located/working in Frederick County. Organizations can only be awarded one Capacity Grant in a 12 month period.
- Matching requirement: Not required but preferred
- Focus: Education, Arts & Culture, Public/Society Benefit (among others)
- More info: <http://www.aushermanfamilyfoundation.org/grant-opportunities/capacity-building>
- Contact: Leigh Adams, Director, [ladams@aushermanfamilyfoundation.org](mailto:ladams@aushermanfamilyfoundation.org), (301) 620-4443

### **Community Foundation of Frederick County: Impact Grants**

- Award amount(s): Variable | Minimum request: \$500
- Deadline: September 15, 2018
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofits, government agencies, religious organizations, or civic groups for programs in Frederick County
- Matching requirement: Not required but preferred
- Focus: Programs that impact historic preservation, the arts, agriculture, civic causes, education, youth programs, in Frederick County
- More info: <http://www.cffredco.org/receive/grants>
- Contact: Diana Fulchiron, Director of Community Impact, [d.fulchiron@FrederickCountyGives.org](mailto:d.fulchiron@FrederickCountyGives.org), (301) 695-7660

### **Community Foundation of Washington County: Mary K. Bowman Fine Arts Fund**

- Approximate award amount(s): Max (2018): \$16,635 | Total available: approx. \$66,000
- Grant cycle opens in January, closes near the end of February.
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofit organizations based in or impacting Washington County
- Matching requirement: Not required but preferred
- Focus: financial support for current charitable and educational initiatives that preserve and maintain historical and cultural properties in Washington County. It also promotes the fine arts, remembrances in history, and historic preservation.

- More info: <http://www.cfwcmd.org/grants/mary-k-bowman-fine-arts-fund/>
- Contact: Sarah Burge, Director of Grants and Donor Relations, (301) 745-5210

#### **Delaplaine Foundation: Grants**

- Award amount(s): \$500+ | Total available: Variable
- Deadline: October 1
- Eligible organizations: Qualified nonprofit organizations with a preference towards activities in Frederick County
- Matching requirement: not required but preferred
- Focus: Historical Documentation, Exhibition and Preservation (among other aspects in support of community enrichment)
- More info: <http://delaplainefoundation.org/html/eligibility.htm>
- Contact: Marlene Young, President, [info@delaplainefoundation.org](mailto:info@delaplainefoundation.org), (301) 662-2753

#### **Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area: Mini-Grants**

- Award amount(s): \$500-\$5,000 | Total available: \$25,000/year
- Deadline: October 26, 2018
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofits and government units for projects in Heritage Area (portions of Carroll, Frederick, and Washington Counties)
- Matching requirement: 1:1 with non-state funds; at least 75% cash, remainder can be in-kind funds.
- Focus: Heritage tourism in relation to HCWhA Management Plan
- More info: <http://www.heartofthecivilwar.org/stakeholders/mini-grants>
- Contact: Emily Huebner, Assistant Director, [emily@heartofthecivilwar.org](mailto:emily@heartofthecivilwar.org), (301) 600-4031

#### **Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area: Project Grants**

- Award amount(s): Max: \$50,000 (non-capital); \$100,000 (capital)
- Deadline: ITA due in January; application due March 1, 2019
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofits and government units for projects in Heritage Area (portions of Carroll, Frederick, and Washington Counties)
- Matching requirement: 1:1 with non-state funds; at least 75% cash
- Focus: Heritage tourism in relation to HCWhA Management Plan
- More info: <http://www.heartofthecivilwar.org/stakeholders/project-grants>
- Contact: Emily Huebner, Assistant Director, [emily@heartofthecivilwar.org](mailto:emily@heartofthecivilwar.org), (301) 600-4031

#### **Maryland Humanities: Mini-Grants**

- Award amount(s): Max: \$1,200 | Total available: \$6,000 (FY15)
- Deadline: March 1, July 1, and November 1
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofits and government entities for projects in Maryland
- Matching requirement: 1:1 (cash or in-kind)
- Focus: Public humanities projects, documentary film, and civic education initiatives.
- More info: <http://www.mdhumanities.org/grants/grant-programs/>
- Contact: Marilyn Hatza, Program Officer for Grants and Strategic Partnerships, [mhatza@mdhumanities.org](mailto:mhatza@mdhumanities.org), (410) 685-4187

#### **Maryland Humanities: Major Grants**

- Award amount(s): Max: \$10,000 | Total available: \$81,600 (FY15)
- Deadline: LOIs due March 1 and September 1; proposals due April 15 and October 15
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofits and government entities for projects in Maryland
- Matching requirement: 1:1 (cash or in-kind)

- Focus: Use the humanities as the central resource to engage diverse groups and individuals through programming like exhibits, community dialogues, and documentary films, etc.
- More info: <http://www.mdhumanities.org/grants/grant-programs/>
- Contact: Marilyn Hatza, Program Officer for Grants and Strategic Partnerships, [mhatza@mdhumanities.org](mailto:mhatza@mdhumanities.org), (410) 685-4187

#### **Maryland State Highway Administration: Recreational Trails Program**

- Award amount(s): Min. \$20,000, Max. \$80,000 exceptions considered on a case-by-case basis | Total available: \$1,000,000/year
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofit organizations and government agencies
- Matching requirement: At least 20%
- Focus: Recreational trails (biking, hiking, equestrian, etc.)
- More info: <http://www.sha.state.md.us/Index.aspx?PagelD=98>
- Contact: Cheryl Ladota, Maryland Recreational Trails Program, [cladota@sha.state.md.us](mailto:cladota@sha.state.md.us), (410) 545-8552

#### **Preservation Maryland: Heritage Fund**

- Award amount(s): \$1,000-\$10,000
- Deadline: September 14, 2018
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofit organizations and local jurisdictions
- Matching requirement: At least 10% (cash or in-kind)
- Focus: Protection of endangered cultural resources through the support of bricks & mortar, planning & feasibility and education & research projects
- More info: <http://preservationmaryland.org/programs/heritage-fund-grants/>
- Contact: Jessica Feldt, Preservation Initiatives Manager, [jfeldt@presmd.org](mailto:jfeldt@presmd.org), (410) 685-2886 x 302

#### **Rural Maryland Council: Maryland Agricultural Education and Rural Development Assistance Fund (MAERDAF)**

- Award amount(s): Max: \$40,000 | Total available: \$680,917 (FY19)
- Deadline: July 17 *\*FY19 Grants have been made*
- Eligible organizations: Rural-serving nonprofit organizations
- Matching requirement: Not required but preferred
- Focus: Planning, economic and community development, and agricultural and forestry education
- More info: <http://rural.maryland.gov/maerdaf/>
- Contact: Charlotte Davis, Executive Director, [charlotte.davis@maryland.gov](mailto:charlotte.davis@maryland.gov) or [rmc.mda@maryland.gov](mailto:rmc.mda@maryland.gov), (410) 841-5772

#### **Rural Maryland Council: Rural Maryland Prosperity Investment Fund (RMPIF)**

- Award amount(s): No maximum | Total available: \$1,571,999 (FY19)
- Deadline: July 27 *\*FY19 Grants have been made*
- Eligible organizations: Regional councils, local government agencies, nonprofits, community colleges, colleges/universities
- Matching requirement: Required – Entrepreneurship - 50%; Health Care - 50%; Infrastructure - 75% or more
- Focus: Regional Planning and Development Councils, Regional Infrastructure Projects, Rural Entrepreneurship, and Rural Health Care Organizations
- More info: <http://rural.maryland.gov/maerdaf/>

- Contact: Charlotte Davis, Executive Director, [charlotte.davis@maryland.gov](mailto:charlotte.davis@maryland.gov) or [rmc.mda@maryland.gov](mailto:rmc.mda@maryland.gov), (410) 841-5772

#### **Tourism Council of Frederick County: Tourism Reinvestment in Promotion & Product (TRIPP) Advertising Grant**

- Award amount(s): \$1,500-\$30,000 | Total available: \$165,000 (FY18)
- Deadline: March 29 *\*FY19 grants have been made. FY20 round will open January 2019\**
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofit and government organizations promoting tourism in Frederick County
- Matching requirement: An all non-local media schedule cash match is 40% (up to \$30,000 award). Mixed media schedule which includes local and non-local media cash match is 1:1 (up to \$10,000 award).
- Focus: Advertising for programs/projects that bring overnight visitors to Frederick Co.
- More info: <https://www.visitfrederick.org/partners/tourism-grants/tripp/>
- Contact: Patsy Ensminger, Operations Director, [pensminger@fredco-md.net](mailto:pensminger@fredco-md.net), (301) 600-4043

#### **Tourism Council of Frederick County: Tourism Reinvestment in Promotion & Product (TRIPP) Development Grant**

- Award amount(s): \$1,500-\$15,000 | Total available: \$90,000 (FY18)
- Deadline: March 29 *\*FY18 grants have been made. FY19 round will open January 2018\**
- Eligible organizations: Nonprofit and government organizations promoting tourism in Frederick Co.
- Matching requirement: 1:1, can be up to 25% in-kind
- Focus: Create new reasons for visitors to want to overnight in Frederick Co.
- More info: <https://www.visitfrederick.org/partners/tourism-grants/tripp/>
- Contact: Patsy Ensminger, Operations Director, [pensminger@fredco-md.net](mailto:pensminger@fredco-md.net), (301) 600-4043

#### **Tourism Council of Frederick County: Tourism Reinvestment in Promotion & Product (TRIPP) Unanticipated Program**

- Award amount: Varies per request. Limit is same as Advertising and Development grants guidelines.
- If there is a project which was not anticipated by the March 29, 2018 deadline there are funds set aside for unanticipated projects.
- More info: website <https://www.visitfrederick.org/partners/tourism-grants/tripp/> and submit an application (Advertising or Development as applicable) for the committee to consider funding.

#### **Tourism Council of Frederick County: Tourism Reinvestment in Promotion & Product (TRIPP) Group Overnight Incentive Program**

- This component of the TRIPP program provides a cash incentive for organizations that generate a quantity of hotel stays in Frederick County during FY19. Whether these rooms are used for a motor coach tour group or a block of rooms booked in connection with an event.
- Award varies as to the number of room nights generated. Guidelines: \$10 per actualized room night. The maximum cash payment that will be made to a single organization is \$4,000 in a single calendar month, beginning with July 2018.
- More info: <https://www.visitfrederick.org/partners/tourism-grants>

#### **The Grant Seeker's Resource Center of Frederick County Public Libraries**

The Grant Seeker's Resource Center (GSRC) is a member of the Foundation Center's Funding Information Network, through the generosity of the Ausherman Family Foundation. Grant seekers have the opportunity to search the Foundation Center's comprehensive electronic databases of grant makers and grants from the public computer workstations at the C. Burr Artz Public Library. Additionally, the GSRC offers both reference

and circulating materials, free workshops and webinars, and aid to finding and navigating related Web resources. The GSRC collects information in subject areas concerning the world of philanthropy, nonprofit management and board development, grant seeking, fundraising and proposal writing and is available during regular library hours. For more information or to schedule individual appointments with the Grants Librarian, Marian Currens, email [mcurrens@frederickcountymd.gov](mailto:mcurrens@frederickcountymd.gov) or call 301-600-3769.

#### **Washington County Free Library Funding Research Center**

The Funding Research Center (FRC) is located at the Alice Virginia and David W. Fletcher branch and is accessible during normal business hours. Specialized assistance may be provided upon request. For more information visit <http://www.washcolibrary.org/?q=grants#mdgrants> or contact 301-739-3250 x310.

The Washington County Free Library is part of the Funding Information Network of the Foundation Center, the nation's leading authority on philanthropy. WCFL provides free access to grantmaker directories, guides and books on nonprofit management from the Foundation Center and other materials relating to grants.

Access the Foundation Directory Online Professional to search the grant database or search within the Foundation Center Grants to Individuals Online to find programs that fund students, artists, researchers, and other individual grantseekers.