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Heritage Montgomery Announces FY 2019 Mini-Grant Awards

Heritage Montgomery, one of 13 Maryland State heritage areas, is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and promoting local history, culture, and distinctive natural areas. Each year, individual Heritage Montgomery Mini Grants of up to \$2,500 are available to county non-profit organizations and local government entities for projects supporting the HM mission. Heritage Montgomery Mini Grants are supported by funding from the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority and Montgomery County Government.

This year, 12 grants were awarded totaling \$26,600. Since the Heritage Montgomery Mini-Grant program began in 2005, 161 grants have been awarded for a total of \$276,200, resulting in the funding of projects with a total value of over \$990,000.

Congratulations to the FY 2019 Mini-Grant recipients!

B-CC Izaak Walton League of America, Poolesville

\$1,100 for signage interpreting native vs. invasive plants

King Barn Dairy MOOseum, Boyds \$2,500 funding stage 3 of the MOO-IMS mapping project

The Menare Foundation, Germantown \$2,500 for publication of "The Underground Railroad in Maryland"

Montgomery Countryside Alliance, Poolesville \$2,500 supporting the 2018 Ride for the Reserve

Montgomery County Food Council, Bethesda \$2,500 for the 2018 Montgomery County Food & Beverage Guide

Montgomery County Historical Society, Rockville \$2,500 in funding for the 2019 Montgomery County History Conference

National Capital Trolley Museum, Colesville

\$1,150 for new and replacement museum signage

Sandy Spring Museum, Sandy Spring

\$2,500 for phase 1 of the museum's landscaping & hardscaping project

Sandy Spring Slave Museum, Sandy Spring

\$1,850 supporting the museum's speaker series

Sugarland Ethno-History Project, Poolesville

\$2,500 for floor repairs & mold abatement at the historic St. Paul Community Church

Washington Revels, Silver Spring

\$2,500 to fund interviews and research for the development of African American Heritage performances

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The grant round for FY 2020 Mini Grants will open in August 2019. For more information on Heritage Montgomery and grant opportunities, please visit <u>https://www.heritagemontgomery.org</u>.

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