Bergen County Executive
James J. Tedesco III
and the
Board of Chosen Freeholders

Present the

# 2018 BERGEN COUNTY HISTORY GRANT PROGRAM

for

## General Operating Support & Special Projects

Administered by the Bergen County Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs

This 2018 Bergen County History Grant Program is made possible by an operating support grant from the New Jersey Historical Commission, a division of the Department of State,

> and the Bergen County Department of Parks, Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs.

DECLARATION OF INTENT deadline is Friday, October 27, 2017

#### **TYPES OF GRANTS**

Applicants may apply in only one category of grants.

General Operating Support (GOS) Grants assist established non-profit historical organizations with their overall operations.

**Special Projects (SP) Grants** support specific history projects that contribute to the Bergen County historical record; promote local history and help make it available to a wide diverse audience; assist and encourage local historic preservation. Funded public programs must be held in ADA compliant sites.

#### **CULTURAL DIVERSITY**

The DCHA actively seeks the participation of *all* persons and communities in its programs and services. Applicants are encouraged to provide marketing and outreach to diverse communities.

#### **ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**

Applicants must be Bergen County non-profit organizations. These include, but are not limited to: *local historic societies, historic preservation commissions, libraries, museums, schools and religious institutions.* 

GOS Applicants must have a mission exclusively dedicated to history, in existence for at least four (4) years, and have an annual Operating Budget of at least \$2000 more than the GOS request. Libraries may not apply.

**SP** Applicants must have been in existence for at least two (2) years. Units of local government and libraries may *only* apply for SP funding.

#### **INELIGIBLE APPLICANTS**

Those who do not qualify include: Federal or State Government agencies, local businesses, individuals, and organizations currently receiving *New Jersey Historical Commission GOS Grant* funding.

#### **ELIGIBLE GOS EXPENSES**

Examples of GOS expenses: insurance, internet expenses, collections maintenance, fundraising & development, marketing, long-term planning or planning for compliance with the American with Disabilities Act, utilities.

#### **ELIGIBLE SPECIAL PROJECTS**

Examples of Special Projects: conservation of collections or archives, educational initiatives, exhibits, local oral history & genealogy projects, media or digital projects, programs created for special needs audiences, publications, research tools, speakers, websites.

#### INELIGIBLE GOS AND SP FUNDING

Examples of ineligible funding purposes include: *Projects that do not deal with Bergen County history, building restoration or maintenance, construction or other capital improvement costs, deficits, endowments or scholarships, hospitality, projects not accessible to the general public, purchase/lease of equipment, signs or markers for historic properties/districts/history museums, purchase of collections, retroactive expenses.* 

#### **GRANT PERIOD**

The Grant Fiscal Year: January 1 - December 31, 2018. All expenses must be expended within this time period.

#### **GRANT AMOUNTS**

General Operating Support: \$1,000 - \$8,000 Special Projects: \$ 500 - \$2,000

- All GOS grants must be matched on a 1:1 basis by the recipient.
- In-kind match may be applied *only* to SP funding and may not exceed 50% of the match.

#### **DEADLINES**

Declaration of Intent to Apply: October 27, 2017 Grant Applications: November 17, 2017

Declarations of Intent and Grant Applications must be in the Division of Cultural & Historic Affairs office, One Bergen County Plaza - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Hackensack, NJ 07601, by 4:30 pm on deadline dates. Signed final Declarations of Intent may be emailed to jstrom@co.bergen.nj.us or faxed to 201-336-7262.

Call or email for the Declaration of Intent Form & Application Packet
201-336-7267 or jstrom@co.bergen.nj.us
Or download from www.co.bergen.nj.us

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The Bergen County Division of Cultural and Historic Affairs is the county's official history and arts agency. Its overriding vision is to grow recognition for Bergen County as a major NJ cultural destination by strengthening the influence of its exceptional arts, history and preservation community, celebrating its diversity, and providing opportunities and support for its individuals and organizations.

Recognizing that persons with disabilities are eager to participate in cultural activities, the Division works to accommodate their needs and remove barriers to participation by seeking appropriate and reasonable ways to assure that its programs are accessible, as well as those offered by its Re-grantee Organizations.

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