

2021 COVID-19 Emergency Relief and Recovery Grants | Gen Ops

Illinois Humanities

APPLICATION

How did you learn of this funding opportunity?*

Choices

Illinois Humanities newsletter/email
 Illinois Humanities website
 Illinois Humanities postcard
 Media ad
 Other

If chosen "Other" above, please explain:

Character Limit: 250

Is your organization located in or outside of Cook County?*

Based on your location, your application will be divided into two categories for review.

Choices

In Cook County
 Outside Cook County

This Gen Ops grant is specifically focused on public humanities organizations. These categories have been adapted from the Humanities Indicators project led by the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Information on the Humanities Indicators project can be found here: <https://www.amacad.org/humanities-indicators>

- Cultural and Ethnic Organization:** This category includes organizations dedicated to the study, preservation, and/or dissemination of the history and culture of ethnic groups. *Examples of past grantees in this category include: American Indian Center, Haitian American Museum, African American Museum of Southern Illinois, Ukrainian National Museum, etc.*
- History Organizations:** This category includes historical societies (and their support organizations), historical preservation groups (and their support organizations), historic houses, folklore/folklife organizations, place-based learning organizations, cultural sustainability organizations, and other organizations with a historical focus. *Examples of past grantees in this category include: Bronzeville Historical Society, Bishop Hill Historic Site, Company of Folk, 1820 Col. Benjamin Stephenson House, etc.*

- **Humanities Museums:** This category includes organizations that acquire, preserve, research, exhibit, and provide for the educational use of works of art or objects/artifacts that are related to the study of humanities content.
Examples of past grantees in this category include: Katherine Dunham Centers for Arts and Humanities, Ray Bradbury Experience Museum, American Writers Museum, Atlanta Public Library and Museum, Alton Museum of History and Art, etc.
- **Literature Organizations:** This category includes organizations that promote the study or appreciation of books and/or literature.
Examples of past grantees in this category include: Guild Literary Complex, 826CHI, Chicago Books to Women in Prison, Literature for All of Us, etc.
- **Humanities Education:** Organizations that offer classes, seminar, and workshops in the humanities (which include but are not limited to literature, languages, history, philosophy, religious studies, art history, and interdisciplinary humanities programs – like ethnic studies, gender and sexuality studies, and American studies).
Examples of past grantees in this category include: Prison + Neighborhood Arts Project, Chicago Freedom School, Chicago Humanities Festival, etc.
- **Media, Journalism, and Documentary Organizations:** Organizations that are committed to covering humanities themes and/or telling the stories, happenings, and histories of communities that are informed by the members of those communities, challenge predominant narratives, and/or nurture critical analysis of media.
Examples of past grantees in this category include: 60 Inches from Center, South Side Weekly, Urbana-Champaign Independent Media Center, Kartemquin Educational Films, etc.
- **Libraries and Archives:** These organizations include operating libraries and archives (excluding those that are purely science- and medicine-focused). Combination museum-libraries can be treated as museums or libraries.
Examples of past grantees in this category include: Lithuanian Archives Project, Rebuild Foundation, Read/Write Library, Chillicothe Public Library, etc.
- **Consortiums, alliances, collectives of above-named groups.**
Examples of past grantees in this category include: Chicago Cultural Alliance, Landmarks Illinois, Illinois Association of Museums, etc.

If you are a humanities organization, but do NOT fit into any of the above classifications, please contact Mark Hallett at mark.hallett@ilhumanities.org, so that we can discuss your organization

type and whether you will qualify for a general operating grant or should apply for a humanities program grant.

Which humanities category best describes your organization?*

If none, then you are not eligible for a general operating grant and will need to apply for a humanities program grant.

Choices

Cultural and Ethnic Organizations
 History Organizations
 Humanities Museums
 Literature Organizations
 Humanities Education
 Media, Journalism, and Documentary Organizations
 Libraries and Archives
 Consortiums, alliances, collectives of above-named groups

ORGANIZATION

What is your organization's DUNS Number?

You do not need a Data Universal Numbering System (DUNS) number to apply, however, one is required to receive funding. Please visit grant.gov to request a free DUNS number, if you do not have one.

Character Limit: 50

What is your organization's annual operating budget?*

Character Limit: 20

What is your organization's mission?*

Character Limit: 1250

What year was your organization founded?*

Character Limit: 250

What are your top three leading programs in 2021?*

Please provide the names of the programs and 1-2 sentence descriptions each.

Character Limit: 5000

Who does your organization serve?*

Select all that apply.

Choices

All Ages
 All Ethnicities and Races
 American Indian or Alaska Native

- Artists, Collectors, Etc.
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Business/Corporate
- Community Leaders
- Court-Involved/Incarcerated
- Faith Leaders
- Folklorists
- General Audience
- Government Employees
- Guardian/parents
- Health Care Workers
- Hispanic or Latinx
- Immigrant/Refugee
- Labor Group/Blue Collar
- LGBTQIA
- Low Income/Working Poor
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- Policy Makers
- Post-secondary | College
- Post-secondary | Graduate
- Returning Citizens/Formerly Incarcerated
- Rural or Small Town
- Scholars
- Senior Citizens/Elders
- Social Service Providers
- Students/Youth | K-12
- Teachers/Educators | K-12
- Teachers/Educators | Post-Secondary
- Towns & Villages
- Urban
- Veterans
- White
- Women
- Working Class
- Young Adults | 18-24
- Other

If chosen "Other" above, please explain:

Character Limit: 250

To be more aware of our partner organizations, we'd like to ask a few questions about your organization's demographics. The responses to the following questions will not influence your approval.

Please indicate the race/ethnicity of your executive director:*

Character Limit: 250

Please indicate the gender of your executive director:*

Character Limit: 250

What percentage of your permanent staff is people of color:*

Character Limit: 20

Is your organization located in a rural community in Illinois:*

Choices

Yes

No

Please upload a complete W-9 form on behalf of the organization:*

File Size Limit: 3 MB

Does your organization prioritize any of the following communities?*

Check all that apply

Choices

Communities of color

Communities highly impacted by mass incarceration

Low-income individuals (defined as living at or below 150% of the Federal Poverty Guideline)

Rural communities

None of these communities

Please choose up to three disciplines that best describe your organization:*

We recognize that the disciplines indicated here might not align exactly with how you identify. In such cases, please select the closest approximation(s).

Choices

African American/Black Studies

American Studies

Anthropology/Archaeology

Architecture

Art History & Criticism Studies

Asian American Studies

Classics

Communications

Comparative Religion/Religious Studies

Cultural Anthropology

Economics

Ethnic Studies

Film or Cinema Studies

Folk Arts & Folklore

Foreign Languages/Literature

Gender & Women's Studies

Geography

Historical & Cultural

- History
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- International Studies
- Jurisprudence
- Latin American Studies
- Latina/x or Chicana/x Studies
- LGBTQ/Queer/Sexuality Studies
- Linguistics
- Literature
- Media/Journalism
- Middle Eastern Studies
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Public Humanities
- Sociology
- Other

If chosen "Other" above, please explain:

Character Limit: 250

Will you be using a Fiscal Sponsor for this grant?*

Choices

- Yes
- No

FISCAL SPONSOR

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Note: A Fiscal Sponsor is an established IRS 501c3 tax-exempt organization that agrees to accept donations on behalf of another group that does not have IRS tax-exempt status. The Fiscal Sponsor is different than the organization applying for the grant and proposing the project.

The following questions are about the Fiscal Sponsor; beyond this, when we say the applying Organization we are referring to the organization, program or individual that is applying to carry out this project, not the Fiscal Sponsor.

Fiscal Sponsor Name:*

Character Limit: 250

Fiscal Sponsor Address:*

Character Limit: 250

Fiscal Sponsor Contact Name:*

Character Limit: 250

Fiscal Sponsor Contact Position/Title:**Character Limit: 250***Fiscal Sponsor Contact Email:****Character Limit: 254****EMERGENCY FUNDING INFORMATION*****In what ways has your organization been affected by the economic impacts of the coronavirus?***

Select all that apply.

- **Lost Revenue:** Significant total projected revenue was lost because of canceled programs since March 2020.
- **Losing Space:** We have or are about to lose our space because we cannot make our monthly rent, mortgage, or utility payments.
- **Staff Layoff:** We have or are about to lay off one or more staff members because we cannot make payroll.
- **Risk of Permanent Closure:** We are considering or planning to permanently close our organization as a result of COVID-19.
- **Use of Savings/Reserve:** We had savings before COVID-19 and have had to spend some in order to meet expenses.

Choices

Lost Revenue

Losing Space

Staff Layoff

Risk of Permanent Closure

Use of Savings/Reserve

Other

None of the Above

If chosen "Other" above, please explain:*Character Limit: 250***How would you estimate the total financial impact on your organization of COVID-19?***

We recognize this is a tentative approximation. Please quantify your losses from the date first affected by the virus to the present (or the most up-to-date calculation of your financial losses so far).

Character Limit: 1250

What are your organization’s most urgent tech needs?

Given the opportunity, how would you spend \$2,000 on technology?

Character Limit: 1250

How has the pandemic impacted your programs?*

How has it impacted your programs long-term and/or how has your organization adjusted?

Character Limit: 1250

How many audience members were not engaged as a direct result of COVID-19?

Please approximate the audience members.

Character Limit: 250

Additional Comment:

Is there any information we have not requested, but which you feel is important for Illinois Humanities to consider in evaluating your application?

Character Limit: 1250