

Judy Pruden Historical Preservation Fund

About This Grant Opportunity

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This memorial fund was opened by Judy's husband, Mike Morgan. Judy was a long-term member of the Ukiah Planning Commission and over the past several decades was active in preserving the city's history and historic buildings. This fund makes grants to community-based projects that involve the public (all ages) in the understanding and appreciation of Mendocino County's history.

Previous grants have gone to Mendocino Study Club printing a walking historic Mendocino brochure; Kelley House Museum changing modular exhibits; Ukiah Main Street program printing historic downtown Ukiah walking tour brochure; Friends of Observatory Park developing interpretive materials; Mendocino County Museum's Main Street exhibit; The Mendocino Woodlands Camp Association history brochures; the Fort Bragg Mendocino Coast Historical Society for the preservation and digitization of H.H. Wonacott Panoramic Negatives and audio visual technology improvements; and the Arts Council of Mendocino County to support the "Back to the Land" oral history project.

In 2019, the Community Foundation is welcoming proposals from Mendocino County organizations and public entities for small projects with a large and lasting impact.

Criteria

- Historical publications and exhibits, marketing materials for historical tours, and historical information/plaques/interactive media;
- Small projects with large or lasting impact;
- Cost-sharing as demonstrated by additional funds and resources;
- Work-sharing as demonstrated by level of volunteer involvement;
- Historical preservation is aligned with the organization's mission; and,
- Historical signage is fitting for the "sense of place."

Total available funding: \$2,000; Grant range: \$500-\$2,000

Please note the Community Foundation is under no obligation to grant the entire amount of funds available, or requested.

Applications are due on December 20, 2018 by 5:00 p.m.

Before You Begin

Note: To access your saved application you must use this [link](#). This will allow you to log in to the Account Manager. Do not use the application link found on the Community Foundation website as it will create a new blank application.

Additional Helpful Tips:

- You may choose to prepare your response in a document outside of the online system (e.g. Microsoft Word) and then copy and paste the text into the online form. We recommend that you do not use formatting tools, as available in Microsoft Word, because the formatting will likely not transfer to the response area when pasted into the online system.
- Limit your use of bullets and other formatting.
- Copy and paste as needed.
- To exit the system, use the "Exit" link at the top right hand corner of the application.

- The "Contact Us" link in the top right hand corner of the application will email Michelle Rich at the Community Foundation.
- Add mail@grantapplication.com to your safe senders list to ensure you receive all system communications.
- Note that you have the option to save your application and finish it later.
- The application works best in Internet Explorer or Firefox.
- Please note that you must both choose the file and hit the upload button for the file to successfully upload to the application.
- The file should also be closed on your computer in order to successfully upload the file.
- For more information on how to use the online application, please read the Online Grant System Guide.
- Feel free to direct questions regarding the guidelines, the application procedure, and/or individual proposals to Michelle Rich at (707) 468-9882 or michelle@communityfound.org .

Application

Organization Information

Organization Name
Mendocino County Museum

Address	City	State	Postal Code
400 E. Commercial Street	Willits	CA	95490

Tax ID
94-6000520

Fiscal Sponsor Information

Provide the name of the fiscal sponsor, if applicable (If you are not using a fiscal sponsor, leave the box blank):
400 E. Commercial Street

Staff
Provide the **number** of employees including FTE (full-time equivalent) status. You may simply state 3 full-time employees and 4 part-time employees if that is easier for you.
Mendocino County Museum has 5 total employees.

2 employees are full time and 100% of their time is spent serving the Museum
1 temporary part time employee
1 employee who is full time, but 50% of their allocated time is spent serving the Museum
1 employee who is full time, but 10% of their allocated time is spent serving the Museum

Volunteers
Estimate, and explain if necessary, the number of **active volunteers** (e.g. those who donate at least 10 hours/year in volunteer time) engaged with the organization.
Mendocino County Museum has approximately 4 active volunteers.

Organization Primary Contact Information

Please provide the contact information for the organization's primary contact.

Organization Primary Contact First Name
Karen

Organization Primary Contact Last Name
Horner

Organization Primary Contact Title
Cultural Services Director

Organization Primary Contact Phone
707-234-2872

Organization Primary Contact E-mail
hornerk@mendocinocounty.org

Grant Request Contact Information

Please provide the contact information for the person responsible for this grant request.

Grant Contact First Name
Megan

Grant Contact Last Name
Dukett

Grant Contact Title
Program Administrator

Grant Contact Office Phone
707-459-7756

Cell Phone
707-972-6458

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Project Information

Project Name

(Word Limit: 25)

Hands-On History Project

Purpose of Grant (Character Limit: 255 characters)

Provide a concise, one sentence explanation of how the grant funds will be used.

Grant funding would support the creation of hands on learning stations and interactive learning components within Mendocino County Museum's current exhibits and future exhibits.

Project Description

Describe the proposed project in detail, including the activities and collaborations involved. (Word Limit: 1000)

Mendocino County Museum's Hands-on History Project would benefit and serve Mendocino County Museum visitors, especially visiting families and field trip students by creating fun and engaging tactile learning experiences throughout the Museum. Grant funding will help fund our efforts to expand hands-on learning areas throughout current and future exhibits, as well as within Museum educational programs.

Our goal for the Hands-on History Project is to provide students, children, and people of all ages sensory friendly experiences. Through this projects funding we would be able to enhance exhibits with additional educational hands-on stations to serve and help visitors engage with the exhibits, spark creativity, and social interactions. Multiple studies have shown that students, especially children in grades K-5 learn best through tactile learning experiences. This project will provide an opportunity for all visitors to touch, explore, and experience Mendocino County's history in a fun and creative way.

Grant funding would help us expand hands-on learning experiences within our Woven Worlds: Native Peoples of Mendocino County exhibit. Funding would allow Mendocino County Museum staff and volunteers to create additional tactile areas in which visitors can touch recently made/replica arrowheads, animal pelts, shells, deer antlers, dried plant material such as acorns, and other hands on tangible items that represent the history and culture of Mendocino County's indigenous communities. With needed funding we would be able to create a larger interactive weaving area for visitors to learn more about the traditional twined technique of basket weaving. Grant funding would allow us to fabricate a large basket weaving station in which families, students, and visitors can weave strands together and learn and appreciate the woven traditions of Mendocino County's indigenous peoples. (Please see sample image attachment)

Furthermore, grant funding would help us expand creative hands on area for our Willits Creamery exhibit. Grant funding would help us expand an interactive miniature size version of the Willits Creamery where families, students and children can engage in imaginative play and explore what it might have been like to be a patron at Willits Creamery long ago.

As the Mendocino County Museum plans temporary and future exhibits, grant funding would help us purchase props, carts, and interactive stations where visitors would have the opportunity to interact with history themed activities. For our Fall 2019 exhibit, the Museum will be hosting an exhibit about the Agricultural History of Mendocino County. Grant funding would help us fund and create an interactive farm stand and vegetable bed station, which demonstrates some of the crops and produce grown by Mendocino County farmers past and present.

Volunteer Involvement

How will volunteers contribute to this project? (Word Limit: 500)

Mendocino County Museum's curatorial volunteers will help install and or create hands-on components for our Hands on History Project. In addition our volunteer docents will be able to use the educational tactile props/reproductions as a way of providing enhanced tours to field trip students and to the general public.

If your project is for signage, please describe the public exposure/access to the signage. (Word Limit: 250)

Although most of the grant funding would be going toward purchasing interactive components, or materials to fabricate components, the Museum would also need to create interpretive panels or signs to go with some of the interactive areas. Signage may be used to provide interpretation, direction, or orientation to the activity or hands-on components. All signs produced would be accessible to Museum visitors.

Project Timeline

Please briefly describe the implementation timeline for your project, listing key activities and who will complete them. (Word Limit: 500)

June 2019: Museum staff will research fabrication of the large interactive basket station, and will create a blueprint to make in house, or work to contract the project to a vendor. The basket fabrication project could potentially be a volunteer driven project involving Willits High School wood shop students, or Eagle Scouts.

July 2019: Fabrication of the large interactive basket will begin in house, by volunteers, or with a contracted vendor.

August 2019: Museum staff will begin purchasing reproduction artifacts, animal pelts, etc. for the Woven Worlds interactive stations. Museum staff will purchase and begin assembling/fabricating the Willits Creamery imaginative play area. Museum staff would work on creating and coordinating printing of any interpretive signs to go with the interactive stations.

September/October 2019: The large interactive basket station will be completed and installed within the Woven Worlds exhibit. Interactive stations of reproduction indigenous related objects will be installed (animal pelts/acorns/arrowheads/etc.) Interactive farm stand and other components of the Agricultural History exhibit will be installed in our temporary exhibit area.

Geographical Area Served

Select the primary geographic area served by this project:

Willits

Total Project Cost

Provide the total cost of the project, which may or may not be the same amount as the grant request.

2500

Amount Requested

2000

Project Budget

Please describe how the funds will be used and describe additional in-kind or other financial support for the project. You may also upload a project budget below. (Word Limit: 500)

Woven Worlds Large Interactive Basket and Reproduction props/artifacts/specimens: \$750-\$1,000

Willits Creamery Interactive Area: \$500-\$600

Agriculture Exhibit Interactive Farm Stand Components: \$300-\$600

Interpretive Sign Components: \$200-\$300

Project Budget

If you have not described the project budget above, please upload a copy of the project budget. To do so, [download the project budget form](#), complete it, save it on your desk top as an EXCEL or PDF document, and then upload it in the area below. *Please note that you must click both choose file and upload to successfully upload attachments. File size limit not to exceed 1 MB.*

Optional Attachments

Optional: Please include any supporting materials for your request that are not included above. This may include equipment specifications, cost estimates, plans, drawings, pictures, or letters of support from key project partners. Accepted file types are PDF, DOC, DOCX, XLS, XLSX, PNG, or JPG. Please note that you must both choose the file and hit the upload button for the file to successfully upload to the application.

Optional Attachment 1

[Large Interactive Basket Design.jpg](#)

Optional Attachment 2

[farm stand example.jpg](#)

Application Feedback

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Tell us about your experience with our online application.

Easy - no problems

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Please share any feedback you may have about our new online application process. We anticipate incorporating changes into future versions and appreciate your help.

No issues with the application process.

Electronic Signature

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By entering your signature information and clicking "I Agree" below, you certify that the information contained in this application is true and correct to the best of your knowledge.

Electronic Signature	Electronic Signature Date	Yes I agree
Megan Dukett	12/20/2018	

To complete application submission you must review your application and click the submit button at the bottom of the next page.