

Grant Report March 2016 -- Charlotte Zanidakis

A list of current grant applications and other grants to review for applications.

1. CCAHA (Conservation Center for Arts & Historic Artifacts):

STHS received email that CCAHA is accepting applications for the Stewardship “regrant” up to \$2,500. Although we have not received a final report project eligibility from them regarding their recent archive assessment visit to the Schoolhouse on, Charlotte has received an email from CCAHA on March 1 regarding their recommended priorities for STHS, namely, *an alarm system/security camera outside of the Schoolhouse to monitor the exterior and perimeter of the property, in addition to environmental monitoring equipment for both the Schoolhouse and the basement.*

Application is due March 11, and Charlotte has started work on the generic portion of the application.

2. Grundy Foundation:

Contact foundation regarding status of submitted application.

3. Free Library of Philadelphia:

The Regional Foundation Center of the Free Library of Philadelphia has a workshop scheduled on March 15, *Intro to Finding Grants*. Charlotte plans to attend.

The Regional Foundation Center informs the local nonprofit sector through research, resources and referrals. The RFC houses Philadelphia’s largest publicly accessible collection of print and electronic resources on fundraising, nonprofit management, general philanthropy and institutional advancement. The RFC also provides free access to the Foundation Directory Online--the most comprehensive database of U.S. grant makers and their grants. Through its comprehensive collection and professionally certified staff librarians, the RFC promotes responsible nonprofit management and successful fundraising by nonprofit groups at all levels--from grassroots startups to established institutions.

4. NEH Preservation Assistance Grant (per Robert’s 1/20/16 email)

Preservation Assistance Grants help small and mid-sized institutions—such as libraries, museums, historical societies, archival repositories, cultural organizations, town and county records offices, and colleges and universities—improve their ability to preserve and care for their significant humanities collections. These may include special collections of books and journals, archives and manuscripts, prints and photographs, moving images, sound recordings, architectural and cartographic records, decorative and fine art objects, textiles, archaeological and ethnographic artifacts, furniture, historical objects, and digital materials.

Applicants must draw on the knowledge of consultants whose preservation skills and experience are related to the types of collections and the nature of the activities on which their projects focus.

March 3: Guidelines will be posted on its website; Charlotte will review
May 3: deadline

5. PHMC – Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission:

The Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission (PHMC) administers multiple funding programs. Grant programs are available to nonprofit organizations and local governments:

- *Cultural and Historical Support Grant Program*
- *Keystone Historic Preservation Construction Grants*
- *Keystone Historic Preservation Project Grants*

The FY 2015-16 Cultural and Historic Support grant program is on hold until further notice. Check the website for an update after the passage of a FY 2015-16 budget.

After the state budget is passed, Charlotte will review criteria for grant application.

6. PECO

Out of the four programs PECO supports, the *Energy for Arts & Culture* program may be a good ‘fit’ for STHS. Possibly our art and/or educational projects. Charlotte will review.

PECO invests in organizations that support education, the environment, arts and culture, and neighborhood development programs, which demonstrate a proven track record in addressing key community needs.

Energy for Arts & Culture programs make the arts more accessible to a wider audience and showcase the wide variety of performing and visual arts organizations in the Greater Philadelphia region.

One example of PECO’s support is the Chester County Historical Society: *The Chester County Historical Society’s (CCHS) mission is to promote an understanding of the history of Chester County and southeastern Pennsylvania by collecting, preserving, exhibiting and interpreting that history and its relationship to the region, and nation beyond, to audiences of all ages and interests. PECO is proud to serve as the Presenting Sponsor of the 30th Annual Chester County Antiques Show, which benefits CCHS and its educational programming serving a broadly diverse student population from throughout southeastern Pennsylvania. This is PECO's 6th consecutive year as the Presenting Sponsor. Visitors to CCHS and its Cultural Center, located in the heart of West Chester, enjoy spell-bounding interactive exhibits, a History Lab where you can dress in a Civil War officer’s jacket and a research library with newspapers dating back to Ben Franklin.*