

ANNUAL REPORT 2019

History Colorado creates a better future for Colorado by inspiring wonder in our past.



Bold New Priorities for History Colorado

An understanding of history—and the perspectives it can provide us—is more important than ever.

Under the leadership of University of Denver chancellor emeritus Dan Ritchie, a team of statewide leaders, visionaries, and History Colorado staff have looked at the challenges and, most importantly, the opportunities for History Colorado.

The result is a strategic plan that will guide new and expanded initiatives to improve lives in literally every county of our state. Every time these visionaries met, the energy flowed and the excitement was palpable.

And the new strategies are plentiful: Engage people, places, and communities as the national leader in historic preservation. Share our collections more broadly around the state. Mobilize rural communities around their heritage and culture. Harness the power of history, civics, and humanities education. Replicate our Hands-On History program for even more communities statewide. Expand online support and supplemental resources for history teachers. Connect with diverse audiences through new kinds of content. Expand our reach through compelling, relevant exhibits. Create a new collecting plan that prioritizes inclusiveness and the ability to tell relevant, contemporary stories.

These are not just dreams. These are the realities of a bolder, new History Colorado—initiatives we'll be implementing to reach hundreds of thousands more Coloradans in the coming years. History Colorado is poised to maximize its statewide impact with confidence and a grandness of scope. With your generous support, we can make it all happen.

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Steve W. Turner, AIA Executive Director and State Historic Preservation Officer

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Our Sites

Center for Colorado Women's History at the Byers-Evans House Museum (Denver) ByersEvansHouseMuseum.org

El Pueblo History Museum (Pueblo) ElPuebloHistoryMuseum.org

Fort Garland Museum & Cultural Center and Pike's Stockade (San Luis Valley) FortGarlandMuseum.org

Fort Vasquez (Platteville) FortVasquezMuseum.org

Georgetown Loop Historic Mining & Railroad Park® (Georgetown/Silver Plume) GeorgetownLoopRR.com

Grant-Humphreys Mansion (Denver) GrantHumphreysMansion.org

Healy House Museum & Dexter Cabin (Leadville) HealyHouseMuseum.org

History Colorado Center (Denver) HistoryColoradoCenter.org

Trinidad History Museum (Trinidad) TrinidadHistoryMuseum.org

Ute Indian Museum (Montrose) UteIndianMuseum.org

2018–19 engagement

in our programs and visits to our museums and historic sites

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Exhibitions

Beer Here! Brewing the New West History Colorado Center Generously supported by lead sponsors Ball Corporation and Coors Brewing Company

Borderlands of Southern Colorado: Remedios, Medicine and Health Trinidad History Museum

More Than Mud: The History of Adobe Fort Vasquez

Play Ball! Mickey Mantle Showcase History Colorado Center

Seeing Red: The History of Redlining in Pueblo El Pueblo History Museum

Without Borders: Arte Sin Fronteras El Pueblo History Museum/ History Colorado Center In partnership with the Northern Río Grande National Heritage Area

Women/Work/Justice Center for Colorado Women's History

Written on the Land: Ute Voices, Ute History History Colorado Center

To find your museum or for more about these and our other exhibitions, go to h-co.org/museums.



Volunteers Help Tell Colorado's Story

The Volunteers of History Colorado are a dedicated group who bring Colorado's history to life—whether it's greeting visitors at our museums, working behind the scenes, or inspiring schoolkids to explore our state's past.







2018-19 History Colorado Volunteer Council

Judy Durzo, President Margaret Conable, Vice President Kathy Frank, Secretary/Treasurer Mavis Kacena, Past President/SEI Liaison



Liaisons

- Gloria Anderson Ed Ellis Stephen Frank Dale Hayhurst Cheri Jones Mary Kay Kisseberth
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\$1,020,620 economic impact

History Colorado has joined a prestigious group of nonprofits committed to delivering on their missions by strategically engaging volunteer time and talent.

July 1, 2018–June 30, 2019

School Program Participation



students participated in History Colorado's statewide PK-20 programs

of those students,

visited on a field trip to a History Colorado museum of those field trips,

visited from underrepresented communities Z3.1/

students used History Colorado resources in their own classrooms



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The State Historical Fund

Grants awarded statewide	105
(July 1, 2018–June 30, 2019)	

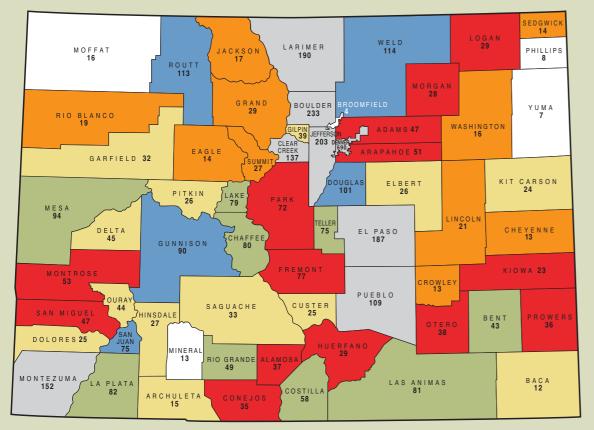
Grants awarded since | 4,634 program's inception

Thank you, citizens of Colorado, for your support of the State Historical Fund.

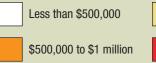
More than \$1.07 billion Total Direct Economic Impact of those grants statewide since 1993

Every year, the State Historical Fund receives a portion of state tax revenues generated by limited-stakes gaming in the towns of Black Hawk, Central City, and Cripple Creek. For 26 years, the fund has been one of the most significant forces behind the preservation of Colorado history and a catalyst for strengthening communities statewide. **For more information, go to h-co.org/SHFgrants**

Total Grant Dollars Awarded by County Since Program's Inception



Number of grants awarded indicated by numbers on the map. Projects affecting multiple counties are not shown.



\$2 million to \$3 million

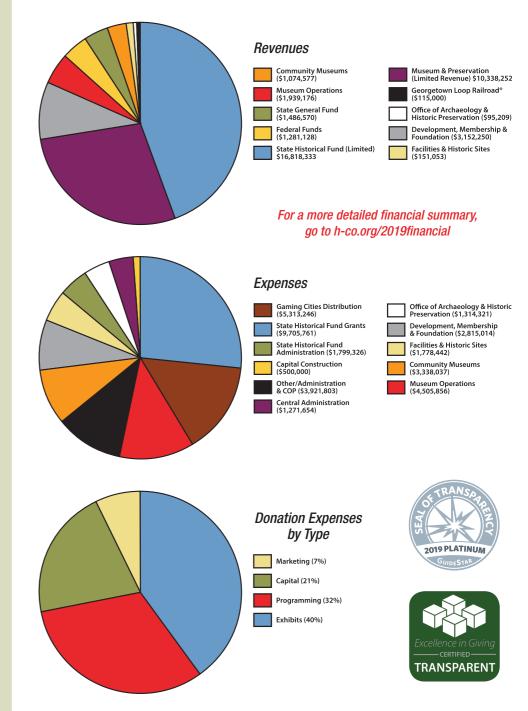
\$1 million to \$2 million

\$5 million to \$7 million

\$3 million to \$5 million

Over \$7 million

History Colorado Financial Summary Fiscal Year 2019



A History Colorado for Today

As the top cultural organization dedicated to Colorado's rich. unique past, History Colorado impacts communities in all 64 counties of the state. Right now, fully 249 active grants from our State Historical Fund are fostering historic preservation and community pride in 54 of those counties. Our Center for Colorado Women's History and History Colorado Center are hubs for grassroots groups as they honor the 2020 Women's Vote **Centennial**—a statewide suffrage commemoration with History Colorado at the helm, aimed to inspire Coloradans to reflect, to act, and to vote.

Our Borderlands of Southern Colorado initiative hosted 28 lectures at our southern Colorado museums, bringing in fresh perspectives from nationally prominent speakers. And a brandnew initiative, We Are Colorado, is diversifying collections, web content, and outreach in a focus on neighborhood and community projects, moving the organization toward greater inclusivity at every level.



Bold Leadership & Innovation

A recognized innovator, History Colorado was tapped by the Institute of Museum and Library Services as one of three institutions nationwide to spearhead the **Museums for Digital Learning Initiative**. a pilot project to digitize collections and make them accessible to K-12 classrooms. Our expanded Ute Indian Museum won the 2018 National Association for Interpretation's Media Award for its groundbreaking exhibits written in consultation with the three Ute tribes.

Our collections staff transformed the Stephen H. Hart Research Center into a nationally significant collection research facility and garnered two Leadership in History Awards of Excellence from the American Association for State and Local History.

El Pueblo History Museum has been nominated for the National Medal for Museum and Library Service as one of thirty finalists for the nation's highest honor given to museums and libraries

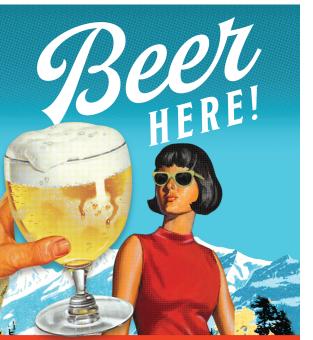
Leading Through Education

New exhibits and interactivity—life-sized board games, living-history experiences at historic forts, seasonal train rides, acclaimed art installations-ensure that patrons find something new with every visit. At many of our sites, Hands-On History meets the needs of working families for a fifth weekday of safe, fun education as school districts move to four-day school weeks.

The History Colorado Center expanded its capacity to serve students with the new "Camp Colorado," where schoolchildren eat in an outdoor recreation setting and learn the ethics of good environmental stewardship.

Our Tours & Treks program, in partnership with AAA Travel, led intrepid Coloradans on our first curated adventures to international destinations, seeking Colorado connections in Central Europe, the Italian countryside, and across the Canadian Rockies. And, our **Program for Avocational** Archaeology certified Coloradans in the latest best practices for archaeology.

The History Colorado Center's spring exhibition, supported by lead sponsors Ball Corporation and Coors Brewing Company, showcased the state's transformation from an economy based on extraction to one equally powered by recreation.



Brewing the New West

Collecting for Inclusion

We're gathering oral histories in a new initiative supported by the John W. Emery Family Endowment Fund. Staff are **documenting the voices** of rural Coloradans, women, entrepreneurs, minorities, and recent immigrants as well as the American Indian, Italian American, Hispanic, and LGBTQ communities.

The community-driven Globeville-Elyria-Swansea Neighborhood Memory Project collected hundreds of photographs and thirty oral histories. And, a youth memory project continues our leadership in cultural preservation among changing neighborhoods. The Museum of **Memory** initiative, co-authored with communities, has grown into the Dogpatch and Avondale neighborhoods of Pueblo County-with the town of Antonito next.

In partnership with the Temple Hovne Buell Foundation, we've created the **Temple Hovne Buell** Architecture Repository. The new Temple Buell Associate Curator of Architecture is building a collection of contemporary materials that broadly reflect the work of Colorado architects and the built environment.

Our Collections

Total historical items • 2 million photographs about • 200.000 artifacts 15 million 12 million archival documents



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Pamela & John Moye Sharon Newman & Patrick James 10-14 years: 602 15-19 years: 393 Here's how many of you have supported

29-24 years: 300 28 years: 345 or longer! 29

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"It was an AWESOME field trip. The guide gave our students an opportunity to explore the beautiful History Colorado Center as well as gain a ton of knowledge. Without the bus fund, our school would not have been able to make the trip and our kids would have missed out on a once-in-alifetime experience."

> —Sean, teacher at Kullerstrand Elementary

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Colorado! Members

Colorado! membership engages givers in the longterm vision of History Colorado while deepening their connection to Colorado's past, present, and future. *Colorado!* members receive invitations to exclusive events to meet leading historians and thought leaders and enjoy unparalleled access to History Colorado's collections and programs.

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Commemoration. Events. Impact.

Women's Vote Centennial COLORADO // 2020

History Colorado is the statewide leader of the Colorado Women's Vote Centennial.

In anticipation of the hundredth anniversary of the Nineteenth Amendment, former governor John Hickenlooper signed an executive order creating the Women's Vote Centennial Commission. With History Colorado at the fore, the commission is leading efforts to commemorate 100 years since the passage of the Nineteenth Amendment—and to recognize Colorado women for gaining the vote more than a quarter-century earlier.

With community partners statewide, we're creating thoughtful discussion about the past in the context of the here and now. History Colorado's yearlong **Bold Women. Change**



History. lectures—and partner programs in every county of the state—honor the theme, "You shape history every time you vote."

The Women's Vote Centennial is giving multi-generational audiences the opportunity to learn about the journey to achieve the women's vote, understand the contributions of Colorado women, and underscore the value of each of our voices.

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