

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS FOR MAINE

Grants to Maine Organizations and Individuals for Fiscal Year 2019 through 2023 – \$10,138,430

Total Number of Awards – 54

Award Highlights:

- The University of Southern Maine received a grant to support a two-week residential institute on utilizing maps to educate about the Black and Indigenous history of maritime New England, which was attended by 25 teachers in grades 3–12.
- A grant was given to the Northeast Historic Film to digitize almost 2,700 hours of news footage from Maine's eight public and local broadcasting stations, which covered the history and culture of the state between 1953 and 2008.

NEH also provides annual funding to the <u>Maine Humanities</u> Council, the designated humanities council in the state, to support a wide array of public programming.

Recent Maine Humanities Highlights:

- The Readers Retreat was funded to convene engaged readers for an in-depth exploration of one of the world's most captivating books: an unkindness of ghosts with a keynote by Rivers Solomon. This program is part of our two-and-a-half-year exploration of the world of African science and technology. African science and technology explore the systems of oppression in the world and helps us to see what is possible in part through a deeper understanding of what is happening, now, and where we live.
- Sponsors a panel discussion "How Do We Talk To Our Neighbors" with a group of community members who work and live in Maine's libraries. They talk about how they create space for exploration and connection around challenging topics, even in times of fear and hardship.

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