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Diane Conroy
White Spring Ranch Museum/Archive Library
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Dear Diane:

We are pleased to inform you that the White Spring Ranch Museum/Archive Library has been chosen as the recipient of the 2019 Sister Alfreda Elsensohn Award. The Idaho Humanities Council (IHC) and Idaho State Historical Society (ISHS) present this award annually to an Idaho Museum, Historical Society, or Interpretive Association in recognition of its outstanding efforts in the field of historical interpretation, display, and preservation. The total grant award is \$10,000, with each sponsoring agency granting \$5,000.

The Award is named for Sister Alfreda Elsensohn, who founded the Historical Museum at St. Gertrude in Cottonwood. Sister Alfreda, one of Idaho's outstanding historians, sought to collect, preserve, and interpret artifacts from Idaho County and the surrounding area to better educate the public. "A museum is a bridge which links the present to the past," she said. It is her vision of Idaho museums as exciting educational institutions that this award seeks to recognize.

Recipients of the Award

- Will have a record of developing professional programming.
- Will demonstrate success in collaborative community work.
- Will have an interest in sharing their resources and experiences with other institutions, through such entities as the Idaho Association of Museums, thereby assisting in the professional development of other museums and interpretive associations.
- Will be able to use the funding to move to a higher level of professionalism.
- Will have experience in administering and implementing grant-funded projects and programs.

Awardees do not need to write a grant(s) to receive these funds. However, it is incumbent upon the awardees to meet the guidelines of the two funding agencies.

The Idaho Humanities Council asks that you use IHC's portion of the award to enhance interpretation of the history of the area. When the interpretive project is completed, the IHC asks that you write a brief report describing the project and noting how the funds were expended. To receive IHC's portion of the award and if you have any questions please contact David Pettyjohn (contact information provided at bottom on this letter).

The Idaho State Historical Society portion of the funds can be used in a wide variety of ways to preserve and interpret history. The key thing to note about ISHS funds is that the ISHS portion of the project must be completed, and an invoice submitted (these are reimbursable funds – reimbursement requirement waived for White Spring Ranch Museum – see email for details), prior to May 15, 2020. Prior to deciding how to use the ISHS portion of the funds, we respectfully request that you complete the attached project narrative and budget and submit back to Lyn Moore (lyn.moore@ISHS.Idaho.gov). This is to ensure the eligibility of the project or program for state funding. As a recipient, it is required that you have a DUNS number. If you do not have one, please visit www.dnb.com to obtain one. ISHS funds are reimbursable funds (reimbursement requirement waived for White Spring Ranch Museum – see email for details). ISHS will reimburse the White Spring Ranch Museum/Archive Library up to \$5,000 upon receipt of an invoice (invoice form attached) and copies of applicable receipts. If you have any questions please contact Lyn Moore, Idaho State Historical Society, (208) 514-2304 or email at lyn.moore@ishs.idaho.gov.

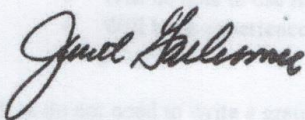
ISHS and IHC wish you the very best for successful completion of your project. We will work as a team to assist the White Spring Museum/Archive Library. ISHS is providing a resource document to assist with your project. The resource document includes recommendations for both online and live training in best practices for preservation and collection management. If you choose to use a portion of the award for a project consultant, which is an allowable expense on the award, ISHS can assist with a job description for a consultant. We are available for questions and assistance as needed.

The two funding agencies request that you include their logos in all marketing, web media, and if possible, press releases acknowledging their financial support. If you need copies of the logos, please contact the appropriate organization.

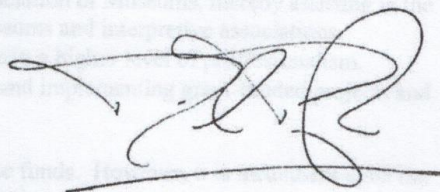
Awardees of the Sister Alfreda generally organize a community-invited ceremony where the awarding organizations present the award. This ceremony can be anytime convenient to you (weather permitting), we suggest it be held sometime between January 2020 and May 15, 2020. The Idaho State Historical Society will assist you in planning and promoting the event. If you have any questions please call or email Patricia Hoffman, (208) 334-2682, patricia.hoffman@ishs.idaho.gov.

Congratulations! This is the highest award given in recognizing fine work by Idaho Museums, Historical Societies, and Interpretive Associations. We hope that the award brings you the recognition that you deserve, and the funding helps you continue your work in the preservation of Idaho history.

Sincerely,



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