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Office of the Vice President for Research

Subject: Limited Competitions: NEH Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions

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UNM Researchers,

The Office of the Vice President for Research is requesting pre-proposals for the NEH Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions funding opportunity. Organizations are limited to submit *one proposal*.

Preservation Assistance Grants (PAG) help small and mid-sized institutions, including 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.

Examples of what preservation assistance grants may be used for include: ¹General preservation assessment; ²Consultation with preservation professionals to address a specific preservation issue, need, or problem; ³Purchase of storage furniture and preservation supplies; ⁴Purchase of environmental monitoring equipment for humanities collections; or ⁵Education and training.

The period of performance for regular PAGs is 18 months, although recipients may complete a project in a shorter period of time. The maximum award for regular Preservation Assistance Grants is \$10,000. Applicants proposing consultation and planning activities for collections related to the 250th anniversary of American independence may request up to \$15,000. Cost sharing is not required in this program.

Additional details can be found at https://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/preservation-assistance-grants-smaller-institutions. The deadline for full proposals is January 31, 2019.

**If you anticipate that you will be submitting a preproposal for this internal competition, you <u>must</u> send a statement of interest via e-mail to <u>limited@unm.edu</u> by <u>January 4, 2019</u>. Individuals who do not submit a SOI will not be considered eligible for the limited competition.

This is a limited competition. For consideration, please send a two-page concept paper along with a draft budget to <u>limited@unm.edu</u> by <u>NOON on January 10, 2019</u>. The paper must be in 11-point font with 1-inch margins and include: ¹What activity (or activities) would the grant support?; ²What are the content and size of the humanities collections that are the focus of the project?; ³How are these humanities collections used?; ⁴What is the importance of this project to your institution?; ⁵What is the work plan for the project?

Should you have any questions please feel free to contact us at limited@unm.edu.