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History Center receives \$10,000 grant to repair Colonial Courthouse shutters

The funding comes from Americana Corner's Preserving America Grant Program

York, Pa. – The York County History Center was one of 121 organizations around the country to receive a grant award from Americana Corner, an online resource to help citizens rediscover America's incredible founding and first century of expansion.

These grants will help fund a diverse range of projects, including restoring historical sites, structures and objects; creating educational displays to enhance the visitor experience; and implementing strategies to increase visibility and reach of historical sites. The History Center received \$10,000, money that will be used to pay to repair and paint 10 shutters on the Market Street side of the Colonial Courthouse.

“There are significant ongoing expenses associated with maintaining our historic properties,” said History Center President and CEO Joan Mummert. “Grants from organizations such as Americana Corner are an important source of funding for that work. We’re grateful they saw the value in helping us care for the Colonial Courthouse, which plays such an important part in our telling of York County’s role in the nation’s founding.”

The Courthouse is a replica of the original York County Courthouse, which served as the temporary home to the second Continental Congress. During the American Revolution, Congress fled Philadelphia for York, where it met for nine months to adopt the Articles of Confederation, the nation’s first organizing document.

Tom Hand, founder of Americana Corner, released the names of award recipients in February.

“I am thrilled to be able to help others across America tell our country’s wonderful story,” Hand said.

The Preserving America Grant Program was established to help other organizations tell the incredible story of America from its founding era through its first century as a nation. Due to overwhelming interest and the historic significance of the projects that sought funding, Americana Corner will award \$1,404,188 in total grant funding for 2024.

Other organizations to receive funding this year include the Museum of the American Revolution in Philadelphia, the Smithsonian’s National Museum of American History in Washington, D.C., and the National Civil War Museum in Harrisburg.

For the full list of 2024 grant recipients, go to americanacorner.com/grant-recipients.

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About the York County History Center

The York County History Center inspires the exploration of the history, people, and culture of York County, Pennsylvania and the nation.

About Americana Corner

Americana Corner, based in Franklin, Tenn., was founded by Tom Hand in 2020 as an online resource to help others rediscover America's incredible founding and first century of expansion. From the American Revolution to the settlement of the American West, from the Declaration of Independence to the Emancipation Proclamation, and from George Washington to Abraham Lincoln, Americana Corner contains positive stories of the great events, founding documents, and inspirational leaders who helped create and shape our country.

Americana Corner Grant Program

Americana Corner was founded by Tom Hand in 2020 as an online resource to help others rediscover America's incredible founding and first century of expansion. The Preserving America Grant Program assists organizations that tell the story of our nation's wonderful past and rekindle a love for American history in all its splendor.

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