

VFH Grants Awarded: 2000

Date Awarded	Grantee Organization	Organization Location	Project Title	Amount Awarded	Project Description
1/10/2000	Norfolk State University	Norfolk, VA	Relational Database of African American History in Norfolk	\$1,200.00	Funds to support the creation of a "relational database" and website devoted to African-American history in the Norfolk area. The project grows out of work being done through another VFH grant, to document the history of African-American hospitals in this part of the state.
2/3/2000	Gunston Hall Plantation	Mason Neck, VA	Liberty Lecture Series	\$1,800.00	Funds to present a four-part series of lecture-discussion programs on the First Amendment, presented as Gunston Hall's annual "Liberty Lecture Series."
2/10/2000	Eastern Shore of Virginia Historical Society	Onancock, VA	Eastern Shore Lecture Series	\$2,500.00	Funds to support a nine-part lecture series in multiple locations, focusing on the three industries-agriculture, commercial fishing and eco-tourism-that are central to the economic life of the Eastern Shore.
2/15/2000	Wythe-Grayson Regional Library	Independence, VA	Poets in Person Series	\$1,500.00	A six-part series of poetry discussions using the "Poets In Person" format. The series is part of a larger celebration of poetry involving local schools and branch libraries.
2/21/2000	Contemporary Art Center of Virginia	Virginia Beach, VA	Southern Exposure	\$1,800.00	Funds to support a reading-discussion program featuring poet, novelist, and scholar Lucinda Roy, that is being presented as part of a larger symposium on Southern literature, film, landscape design, music, and culinary arts.
3/4/2000	Alexandria Black History Museum	Alexandria, VA	Northern Virginia's African American Women	\$2,500.00	Funds to research and document the achievements of African-American women in Northern Virginia, and to create two permanent educational "kits" which will help students explore the sites related to this history.
3/4/2000	Anne Spencer House and Garden Museum, Inc.	Lynchburg, VA	Interpretive Brochure for the Anne Spencer Home Tour	\$2,500.00	Creation of an interpretive brochure and other materials that will enhance self-guided tours of the Anne Spencer House and Gardens.
3/4/2000	Black History Museum and Cultural Center of Virginia	Richmond, VA	The Legacy of Jackson Ward	\$2,500.00	Funds to create an interpretive brochure as a complement to a new exhibit on the history of Jackson Ward.
3/4/2000	Bland County School Board	Rocky Gap, VA	Dry Fork	\$2,500.00	Funds to support oral history, photo documentation, and research on the history of Dry Fork, an African-American farming community in Bland County that was founded by freed slaves and remains largely intact today.
3/4/2000	Booker T. Washington Elementary School Reunion Organization	Wirtz, VA	The Story of Booker T. Washington Elementary School	\$1,000.00	Funds to create an interpretive exhibit in a former segregated school building, on land that was once part of the farm where Booker T. Washington was born.
3/4/2000	Buckingham Training School Commemoration, Inc.	Dillwyn, VA	Interpretive Signs for Carter G. Woodson Birthplace	\$1,500.00	Funds to place interpretive signs at the Carter G. Woodson Birthplace in Buckingham County.

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3/4/2000	Christiansburg Institute	Christiansburg, VA	Christiansburg Institute: A Legacy of Leadership and Education	\$1,900.00	Funds to create a 12-page interpretive booklet on the history and significance of Christiansburg Institute (formerly Christiansburg Industrial Institute), which was the first school to provide secondary education for African-American children in Southwest Virginia.
3/4/2000	Community Involvement Awareness, Inc.	Staunton, VA	African-American Religious Congregations in Augusta County and Vicinity	\$2,500.00	Publication of a comprehensive history of African-American churches in Staunton, Waynesboro, and Augusta County. The first phase of a larger project to document the full spectrum of African-American life in this part of the Shenandoah Valley.
3/4/2000	Corporation for Jefferson's Poplar Forest	Forest, VA	Interpreting Slave Life at Poplar Forest	\$2,500.00	Production of an interpretive brochure focusing on the enslaved African-American community at Poplar Forest and on Jefferson's relationship to institutionalized slavery during his lifetime.
3/4/2000	Elegba Folklore Society, Incorporated	Richmond, VA	In the Beginning...Virginia	\$2,500.00	Creation and distribution of promotional materials, training of volunteers and interpretive staff, and further development of the marketing plan for a tour of African-American historic sites in Richmond.
3/4/2000	First Baptist Church of Salem	Salem, VA	Preserving the History of South Broad Neighborhood	\$2,500.00	Funds to conduct an historical survey of Salem's central African-American neighborhood, known as the South Broad area.
3/4/2000	Friends of the Freedmen's Cemetery	Alexandria, VA	The History of the Freedmen's Cemetery	\$2,500.00	Funds to create an interpretive brochure and website designed to promote awareness of the history of the Freedmen's Cemetery and the need to protect this site from encroaching development.
3/4/2000	Friends of the National Park Service for Green Springs	Williamsburg, VA	African-Americans and Green Spring Plantation	\$2,500.00	Research and publication of a report on the history of Centerville, a community of Free Black residents emancipated by William Ludwell Lee in 1802. This report will become the basis for interpretation of African-American history at Green Spring.
3/4/2000	Gloucester 350th Celebration	Gloucester, VA	African-American History in Gloucester County	\$2,500.00	Production of an interpretive brochure and website as the basis for physical and virtual tours of African-American historic sites in Gloucester County, which include the home of Robert R. Moton, birthplace of the United Negro College Fund, the site of the first slave revolt in the Colonial U.S., and the childhood home of Irene Morgan who prevailed in a 1946 Supreme Court case involving segregation.
3/4/2000	Gunston Hall Plantation	Mason Neck, VA	Interpreting the African-American Presence at Gunston Hall	\$2,500.00	Funds to enhance interpretation of slave life at Gunston Hall through production of an exhibit based in part on on-going archaeological research.
3/4/2000	Hanover County Black Heritage Society, Inc.	Ashland, VA	The African-American Heritage Trail	\$2,500.00	Funds to conduct research and interviews leading to the creation of an African-American Heritage Trail in the town of Ashland. The focus is on 19th century history.
3/4/2000	Historical Society of	Abingdon, VA	Restoring the Voices	\$2,500.00	Funds to gather existing information on African-American history in

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	Washington County, VA				Southwest Virginia, to conduct new research and oral histories, and to create a "Directory of Resources" on this subject for use by future scholars and visitors to the Region.
3/4/2000	Ivy Creek Foundation	Charlottesville, VA	The Life and Legacy of Hugh Carr	\$2,500.00	Oral history and related research on the family of Hugh Carr, a former slave who became a prosperous farmer and community leader in Albemarle County whose property is now the site of the Ivy Creek Natural Area which receives 30-50,000 visitors each year.
3/4/2000	James Madison's Montpelier	Orange, VA	Restoration of the Gilmore Cabin	\$2,500.00	Physical, historical, and architectural research on the "Gilmore Cabin" which was built in 1870 by an emancipated Montpelier slave. The project also includes oral histories to be collected from members of the Gilmore family who still live in Orange County.
3/4/2000	Lynchburg Convention and Visitors Bureau	Lynchburg, VA	African-American Heritage Brochure	\$2,500.00	Production of a brochure focusing on African-American historic sites in Lynchburg and five surrounding counties.
3/4/2000	Robert Russa Moton Museum	Farmville, VA	Interpretive Signs for Moton Museum	\$1,500.00	Design and installation of interpretive signs at the Robert R. Moton School in Prince Edward County, site of the student strike that eventually led to the Brown v. Board of Education decision and to years of "Massive Resistance" in Virginia. The school building is now being developed into a museum. It is also the "anchor site" for the Civil Rights in Education Heritage Trail...
3/4/2000	Rockbridge Historical Society	Lexington, VA	African-American History in Rockbridge County	\$2,500.00	Funds to publish the text of a previous lecture series, to conduct an oral history project, and to plan an exhibit and brochure on African-American history in Rockbridge County.
3/4/2000	Sixth Mount Zion Baptist Church	Richmond, VA	The Bell Tower Project	\$1,500.00	Funds to support material costs associated with the display of an historical quilt and the pulpit furniture of John Jasper, the legendary pastor of Sixth Mount Zion.
3/4/2000	Thyne Institute Memorial, Incorporated	Chase City, VA	Interpretive Signs for Thyne Institute	\$1,500.00	Design and construction of interpretive signs commemorating the first organized school for African-American children in Mecklenburg County. Thyne was part of a network of similar institutions that provided high-quality education for African-Americans prior to integration.
3/4/2000	Tidewater Community College	Norfolk, VA	The African-American Heritage Familiarization Trolley Tours	\$2,500.00	Funds to create historically accurate scripts to be used by costumed interpreters in a newly expanded version of the city of Portsmouth's "African-American Heritage Familiarization Trolley Tours."
3/4/2000	Tinner Hill Heritage Foundation	Falls Church, VA	Promotion of the Tinner Hill Monument	\$1,000.00	Creation of an interpretive brochure highlighting the historical and cultural significance of Tinner Hill, where the first rural branch of the NAACP was established in 1915.
3/4/2000	Town of Wytheville	Wytheville, VA	The African-American Experience in Wythe County	\$2,500.00	
3/4/2000	University of Virginia	Charlottesville, VA	The Proffit Historic	\$2,500.00	

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			District On-Line Archive		
3/4/2000	Virginia Museum of Transportation	Roanoke, VA	African-American Heritage on the Norfolk and Western Railroad	\$2,500.00	Production of an interactive CD-Rom presenting the recollections of former African-American employees of the Norfolk & Western Railroad.
3/4/2000	Virginia State University	Petersburg, VA	Exploring the African-American Roots of Virginia State University	\$2,000.00	Research to document the African-American history connected with two former plantations--Ettrick Banks and Matoaca--on whose lands Virginia State is now located.
3/4/2000	Virginia's Explore Park	Roanoke, VA	African-Americans and River Commerce in Western Virginia	\$2,500.00	Research and development of interpretive programs focusing on the contributions made by African-Americans to the development and success of river commerce in Western Virginia.
3/24/2000	Library of Virginia	Richmond, VA	Southern Association for Women Historians Annual Conference	\$1,800.00	Funds to support the Southern Association for Women Historians' annual conference in 2000.
4/20/2000	James Madison University	Harrisonburg, VA	A History of Virginia	\$800.00	Funds to support a one-day conference to discuss and evaluate the resources currently available for teaching Virginia history at the College level; and to explore the prospects for creating a single text of readings that would facilitate instruction in the field.
6/2/2000	Black Heritage Museum of Arlington	Arlington, VA	Freedman's Village	\$10,000.00	Funds to support construction of a replica of Freedman's Village in Arlington; to publish a related map and chronology; to create an exhibit and database of information about Freedman's Village; and to support a series of community workshops and lectures on genealogy.
6/2/2000	George Mason university	Fairfax, VA	Intellectual Life of the Schools 5th Annual Summer Institute: Civic Values, Civic Virtues, and Democracy in a Changing Society	\$3,000.00	Funds to support a 3-day summer institute for teachers (k-12) focusing on documentary and civic education. The 7th in a annual series of institutes sponsored by G.M.U. and developed in cooperation with Fairfax county school system.
6/2/2000	Historical Society of Washington County, VA	Abingdon, VA	The ABCs of the African American Educational Quest 1865-1965 in Southwest Virginia	\$8,000.00	Funds to initiate a process of exploring the history of African American education in five southeast Virginia localities, the first phase of a larger region-wide project to document this history throughout Appalachian Virginia. Through a series of community forums, local sponsoring organizations will learn techniques of oral history, material culture documentation, and school and courthouse research.
6/2/2000	Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum	Leesburg, VA	Waxpool General Store Exhibit	\$7,000.00	Funds to support development of an interpretive exhibit based on the contents of the Waxpool General Store that were donated to the Loudoun Heritage Farm Museum. During the 1940s, the store was a

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					focal point of community life, serving as post office, polling place, and the main purchasing outlet for farmers and farm families in what is now the fastest growing county in Virginia.
6/2/2000	Mountain Empire Community College	Big Stone Gap, VA	Home Craft Days: Preserving Southwest Virginia's Musical Heritage	\$10,000.00	Funds to support production of a multi-volume set of CD recordings, compiling the best, most significant performances from a 30-year-old festival of Appalachian traditional music and storytelling known as Home Craft Days. The grant also supports creation of an interpretive booklet to accompany the CDs as well as their free distribution to schools and libraries.
6/2/2000	Network of South Asian Professionals	Washington, DC	Raising Voices: South Asian Writing, English Ink	\$6,000.00	Funds to support portions of a two-day festival devoted to exploring South Asian literature written in English.
6/2/2000	New York Foundation for the Arts	New York, NY	The American Crisis, Free, Equal, and Independent	\$6,900.00	Funds to support research and script development for the "Virginia segment" (Part I) of a 4 part, two-hour television documentary examining the ways in which ideas of freedom and equality influenced different groups of people to participate in the American Revolution.
6/2/2000	Norfolk State University	Norfolk, VA	Race, Time, and Place: African American Hospitals and Health Care in Tidewater Virginia	\$8,000.00	Funds to support the creation of a permanent website on African-American community life in Norfolk - expanding an earlier VFH funded project to document the history of African American hospitals in the Norfolk area.
6/2/2000	Radford University	Radford, VA	Mountain Interstate Foreign Language Conference, 2000	\$2,500.00	Funds to support the Mountain Interstate Foreign Language Conference to be held at Radford in the year 2000. The conference is devoted to exploring language, literature, and pedagogy and will feature more than 40 individual sessions for scholars and teachers.
6/2/2000	Shenandoah County Historical Society	Edinburg, VA	Photographic History of Shenandoah Valley	\$7,800.00	Funds to support the first phase of a multi-year project to preserve, document, interpret, and present to the public a collection of 30,000 glass plate photographic negatives representing life in Shenandoah County, Virginia, during the years 1890-1905.
6/2/2000	Surry County Historical Society	Surry, VA	Unveiling Surry's Hidden History	\$8,400.00	Funds to identify, transcribe, index, and duplicate- as a prelude to publishing in book and electronic form- a large collection of records relating to the free black residents of Surry County. Surry's documentary record on this subject is unique among Virginia localities in its breadth and completion.
6/2/2000	University of Virginia	Charlottesville, VA	Women 2000: Shapers of the World	\$6,400.00	Funds to support a series of community dialogues explaining women's leadership in a variety of fields, from literature to health care.
6/2/2000	University of Virginia's College at Wise	Wise, VA	Forum on Violence Towards Women	\$4,000.00	Funds to support a one-day public forum on violence toward women, focusing on the root causes of violence, the cultural factors that support it, and strategies for removing those cultural supports,

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6/2/2000	Virginia Commonwealth University	Richmond, VA	An Institute for High School Teachers-- African Literature: Art and Commitment	\$8,000.00	Funds to support an institute for high school teachers, exploring African literature and art in their social context. This institute will take place in conjunction with the annual African Literature Association Conference, to be hosted in 2001 by Virginia Commonwealth U. and the University of Richmond.
6/2/2000	Virginia's Explore Park	Roanoke, VA	2nd Annual Blue Ridge Symposium--Between Friends: Culture, Classroom, and Museum	\$4,000.00	Funds to support a 2-day conference on aspects of the history and culture of the Blue Ridge in Virginia, designed to bring together representatives of museums, public schools, and the academic community.
6/28/2000	Fishburne Military School	Waynesboro, VA	Exhibit Planning	\$1,600.00	Funds to support a meeting of advisors and consultants who will assist Fishburne Military School in determining the feasibility of converting a recently vacated library building into a permanent museum and interpretive facility focusing on the role of military schools in the Central Shenandoah Valley in the 19th & 20th centuries.
7/25/2000	Orange County Historical Society	Orange, VA	Locating the Descendants of Montpelier's Slaves	\$2,500.00	Funds to support research and planning in preparation for a gathering of the descendants of Montpelier's slaves, to be held in conjunction with the observance of James Madison's 250th birthday in April, 2001.
8/10/2000	Duke University	Durham, NC	Changing Tobacco Culture in Pittsylvania County	\$2,500.00	Funds to support photo documentation and planning for an interpretive exhibit on changes affecting the culture of tobacco and the traditions that surround it in Pittsylvania County, the heart of Virginia's "Old Belt."
8/10/2000	Tazewell County Public Library	Tazewell, VA	Talking about Sophie's Choice	\$2,500.00	Funds to support a lecture, book, and film discussion series on William Styron's Sophie's Choice, a total of eight programs to be presented at four southwestern Virginia locations, sponsored by four local libraries.
8/22/2000	Southwest Virginia Regional Humanities Council	Galax, VA	Administrative Grant, 2000-2001	\$2,000.00	Funds to support the regular activities of the Southwest Council during the period 08/00-08/01
11/20/2000	Orange County Historical Society	Orange, VA	Montpelier's Slaves: Research	\$2,500.00	Funds to support a continuation of the research--begun under an earlier VFH grant--to locate the descendants of Montpelier's Slaves, as part of planning for commemoration of the 250th anniversary of James Madison's birth. A gathering of the slaves' descendants will take place in conjunction with this event in April 2001.
12/1/2000	Appalshop	Whitesburg, KY	Stranger with a Camera	\$6,000.00	Funds to support a series of public discussions, and a related website examining the conflict between the right of media access and an individual's right to privacy, as well as questions regarding the portrayal of a community by outsiders, and the power of images to

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12/1/2000	Art Museum of Western Virginia	Roanoke, VA	Normal Rockwell: Presenting the American Century	\$6,200.00	Funds to support an interpretive exhibit exploring the significance of the art of Norman Rockwell within its historical context.
12/1/2000	Black History Museum and Cultural Center of Virginia	Richmond, VA	Forgotten History Lecture Series	\$5,000.00	Funds to support a ten-part lecture series designed to highlight the achievements of African-Americans since the 17th century.
12/1/2000	Center in the Square	Roanoke, VA	Gone in a Flash: O. Winston Link and the Last Steam Railroad	\$5,000.00	Funds to support collecting the memories and oral history of photographer O. Winston Link, as part of the planning for a video documentary on his work and the creation of a new museum in Roanoke dedicated to it.
12/1/2000	Christiansburg Institute	Christiansburg, VA	Virtual Christiansburg Institute	\$9,900.00	Funds to support creation of the first in a series of rotating on-line exhibits essential to the establishment of a permanent "Virtual Christiansburg Institute" website designed to preserve and explore the history and legacy of one of the most important African-American educational institutions prior to desegregation.
12/1/2000	George Washington's Fredericksburg Foundation	Fredericksburg, VA	Kenmore Restoration: Stories to Tell	\$9,900.00	Our funds in this project supported planning for an exhibit on the Kenmore Mansion Restoration Project, focusing on the conservation techniques applied to the mansion and on the lives and traditions of its owners and builders.
12/1/2000	Handley Regional Library	Winchester, VA	Willa Cather: From Winchester to the World	\$4,700.00	Funds to support a four-part lecture-discussion series on the works of Willa Cather, emphasizing the Virginia roots of the important American writer.
12/1/2000	Historical Society of Western Virginia	Roanoke, VA	Enlarging the Scholarship on Southwest Virginia	\$10,000.00	Funds to support five public lectures and the first year of a two-year research and publication project that will result in a comprehensive guide to manuscripts and collections related to the history of five Southwest Virginia counties.
12/1/2000	Marymount University	Arlington, VA	Cyber Ethics On-Line	\$10,000.00	Funds to support creation of a website designed to assist and encourage teachers and students in exploring ethical issues associated with Internet technologies.
12/1/2000	National Preservation Institute	Alexandria, VA	Holistic Stewardship of Historic Sites	\$10,000.00	Funds to support a 5-day intensive training workshop for administration, board members, and directors of historic properties, designed to encourage a holistic approach to issues surrounding the stewardship of those sites.
12/1/2000	Richard Bland College	Petersburg, VA	Various Voices: African-American Women Writers	\$3,700.00	Funds to support a series of four public programs--two lecture-discussions and two reading/conversations--exploring the works of African-American women writers.
12/1/2000	Robert Russa Moton Museum	Farmville, VA	The Student Strike at Moton High School - 50 Years Later	\$15,000.00	Funds to support production of an interpretive exhibit, two public lectures, and a series of publications to be developed and presented in conjunction with the official opening of the Moton Museum in Farmville. This event commemorates the 50th anniversary of the

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					student strike that set in motion one of the most important chapters in the history of the Civil Rights Movement in the U.S.
12/1/2000	U.S.S. Wisconsin Foundation	Norfolk, VA	First and Last	\$15,000.00	Funds to support research, design, and production costs for an exhibit on the role that Hampton Roads--especially the City of Norfolk--has played in American naval history. This exhibit will enhance interpretation of the Battleship Wisconsin, which will be permanently berthed in Norfolk and open to the public beginning in April 2001.
12/1/2000	University of Virginia	Charlottesville, VA	The Changing Face of Technology	\$10,000.00	
12/1/2000	Virginia Association of Museums	Richmond, VA	Museum Fundamentals Forum--2001	\$10,700.00	Funds to support a 3-day intensive museum training program designed to serve the needs of the staffs, boards, and volunteers of small and emerging museums--especially history museums--statewide.
12/1/2000	Virginia Tech	Blacksburg, VA	First National Conference on Stepping	\$5,000.00	Funds to support a two-day conference on "Stepping," exploring the history and cultural context of this increasingly popular and complex art form.
12/1/2000	Virginia Wesleyan College	Norfolk, VA	Religious/Freedom, Southern Style	\$13,200.00	Funds to support a series of lectures, panel discussions and related events exploring the varieties of religion and religious experience in the South--especially in relationship to the exercise of individual First Amendment rights.
12/1/2000	WCVE-TV Channel 23	Richmond, VA	They Closed Our Schools	\$10,600.00	Funds to support research and script development for a two-hour documentary film on the history of the public school crisis in Prince Edward County, focusing on the period of Massive Resistance, but setting these events in a context that reaches back to the 1920s and forward to the present day.
12/21/2000	Woodrow Wilson Birthplace Foundation	Staunton, VA	American Challenges in a New Century: Teachers' Institute	\$2,500.00	Funds to support a 3-day summer institute for middle and high school teachers, exploring the history of the United States in the first quarter of the 20th century, focusing on immigration, race and ethnicity, suffrage, the Progressive Era, technology, arts and entertainment, and World War I.