



Sustaining the Humanities through the American Rescue Plan



Colorado Humanities' List of Grantees 2021

[Animas Museum/ La Plata County Historical Society](#)

Located in the historic Animas City School, the Animas Museum keeps La Plata history and culture alive through museum exhibits, a research library, public programs, and a state-of-the-art collections facility housing over thirty thousand artifacts.

Durango \$7,927

[Art from Ashes Inc.](#)

Art from Ashes, the first Colorado youth arts agency, has empowered over 14,000 youth with creative programs that facilitate health and hope through expression, connection, and transformation.

Denver \$10,500

[Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities](#)

The Arvada Center for the Arts and Humanities celebrates and elevates the human condition with engaging arts, humanities, education, and entertainment that expand the cultural landscape for everyone who visits.

Arvada \$5,667

[Basalt Library](#)

The Basalt Regional Library affords our community free and equitable access to information, tools and connections that nurture lifelong learning in a safe and welcoming space.

Basalt \$4,667

[Bent County Historical Society](#)

The Bent County Historical Society preserves the county's culture, history, and heritage through the Bent County Chronicle, Art Guild, architectural and cultural programs, and the operation and preservation of the John W. Rawlings Heritage Center and Museum and Boggsville Historical Site.

Las Animas \$12,500

[Bessemer Historical Society, Inc.](#)

The Bessemer Historical Society, Inc. (dba Steelworks Center of the West) preserves and provides public access to Colorado Fuel & Iron Company research resources and quality educational and cultural programming relating to the history of industry in the West.

Pueblo \$4,000

[Black American West Museum & Heritage Center](#)

The Black American West Museum & Heritage Center, located in the former home of Dr. Justina Ford, Colorado's first licensed African American female doctor, focuses collections, programs, exhibits, events and inclusive community engagement on the contributions African American settlers had on the development of the Western United States.

Denver \$10,500

[Blue Sage Center for the Arts](#)

The Blue Sage Center for the Arts in Paonia offers the North Fork Valley and surrounding communities education, engagement, and expression in the arts and humanities through youth and adult development courses and dance, visual arts, literary, musical, and theatrical performances.

Paonia \$500

[BookTrails](#)

Steamboat Springs \$6,000

BookTrails in Steamboat Springs fosters literacy for all by providing over 1,000 Colorado low-income children who have had adverse experiences bilingual opportunities to develop reading and writing skills during summer break.

[Center for American Values – Medal of Honor Museum](#)

The Center for American Values, home to the acclaimed Portraits of Valor Gallery, Medal of Honor Museum, and World Trade Center Steel Memorial, has a mission to “Honor service and sacrifice, while inspiring the next generation of civically engaged leaders.”

Pueblo \$10,500

[Center of Southwest Studies, Fort Lewis College](#)

The Center for Southwest Studies connects individuals and communities with opportunities to explore the Southwest’s dynamic heritage through its research collections, professional internships, programming, and exhibitions.

Durango \$6,000

[Centro Cultural Mexicano, Mexican Cultural Center](#)

The Mexican Cultural Center showcases the richness of Mexican and Latin American art and its positive impact within the community through a variety of cultural and educational programs.

Denver \$6,000

[Chicano Humanities and Arts Council](#)

The Chicano Humanities and Arts Council celebrates and preserves Chicano/Latinx culture through poetry, music, storytelling, educational opportunities, and landmark cultural events.

Denver \$9,600

[Colorado Folk Arts Council](#)

Wheat Ridge \$2,834

The Colorado Folk Arts Council encourages the preservation of ethnic cultural arts, history, and traditions through education, youth team building, performances, and accessible and relevant community projects.

[Corazon de Trinidad Creative District](#)

The Corazon de Trinidad Creative District attracts artists and creative entrepreneurs to Trinidad in order to infuse new energy and innovation in the community’s economic and civic life.

	Trinidad	\$3,291
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[Crow Canyon Archaeological Center](#)

Crow Canyon in Cortez, Colorado works to protect and preserve cultural heritage, to develop and deliver educational programs, and to make significant contributions to understanding our human past and the broader human experience.

	Cortez	\$5,250
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[Dairy Arts Center](#)

Dairy Arts Center connects a dynamic and diverse community to create inspiring and engaging experiences in the performing, cinematic and visual arts.

	Boulder	\$3,667
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[Denver Center for the Performing Arts](#)

The Denver Center for the Performing Arts engages and inspires through the transformative power of live theatre.

	Denver	\$5,667
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[Durango Film Institute dba Durango Independent Film Festival](#)

	Durango	\$500
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Durango Film brings the community together with independent filmmakers to experience and discuss global, innovative, and diverse films and serves as a liaison for film crews and the community, to create positive socio-economic impact through their Four Corners Film Office program.

[Eagle County Historical Society](#)

The Eagle County Historical Society operates the Eagle County Historical Museum, maintains archives (both physical and online) that are available to the public, and assists with historical preservation projects to educate others on Eagle County’s rich history.

Eagle \$2,688

[The Arts Studio Firehouse Art Center](#)

The Firehouse Art Center celebrates Longmont’s diverse community and culture and seeks to raise cultural awareness and understanding of the arts in the community through classes, lectures, events, and visual arts exhibitions in three gallery spaces that introduce visitors to new local and national artists.

Longmont \$500

[Florence Arts Council](#)

The Florence Arts Council promotes and preserves collaboration between the arts and the communities in Fremont County by running the 8,000 sq. ft. Bell Tower Cultural Center as a place for the community to come together and enjoy the arts.

Florence \$3,120

[Friends of Raymer, Inc.](#)

Friends of Raymer, Inc., is a small group of current and former residents of this gateway to the Pawnee National Grasslands and the Pawnee Buttes working to preserve their community

Brush \$1,996

heritage, offer educational experiences, and provide access to history in ways that enrich and expand community life.

[Gilpin Historical Society](#)

The Gilpin Historical Society establishes and maintains collections of information, records, and objects related to or having a bearing on the civil, social and economic history of Gilpin County.

Central City \$2,400

[Glenwood Springs Historical Society](#)

The Glenwood Springs Historical Society and Frontier Museum presents its area's rich history through collections, exhibits, photographs, burial records, historic research, off-site exhibits, publications, and educational programs.

Glenwood Springs \$11,533

[Golden History Museum & Park](#)

Golden History Museum and Park is a cultural campus that includes the History Museum with modern, interactive exhibits, a three-acre History Park with historic structures that interpret Colorado homestead life, and an offsite facility that houses some 16,000 artifacts that help tell the stories of the people, businesses, and events that shaped the development of the community and state.

Golden \$6,000

[Grand County Historical Association](#)

Grand County Historical Association works to preserve the area's history, historical artifacts, and historical buildings through four historical museums in the county: Cozens Ranch Museum in Fraser, The Emily Warner Field Aviation Museum in

Hot Sulphur Springs \$10,500

Granby, Heritage Park in Kremmling, and Pioneer Village in Hot Sulphur Springs.

[Hayden Heritage Center Museum](#)

The Hayden Heritage Center engages, inspires, and educates the public with the preservation and exhibition of historic artifacts and information associated with the Town of Hayden and western Routt County.

Hayden \$10,000

[Hispanic Chamber Education Foundation](#)

The Hispanic Chamber Education Foundation promotes educational achievement, economic advancement and leadership development in the Hispanic community.

Denver \$4,666

[Historical Society of Oak Creek & Phippsburg](#)

The HSOCP collects, preserves, interprets, and celebrates the history of the Oak Creek, Phippsburg, and Stagecoach areas to strengthen community bonds and to foster a greater understanding and appreciation for the area’s heritage.

Oak Creek \$6,000

[KSUT Public Radio](#)

Located in Ignacio, home of the Southern Ute Tribe, KSUT is a community-supported public broadcasting organization dedicated to serving the multicultural community of the Four Corners by providing diverse and eclectic entertainment, education, news, and community and public information while promoting multicultural awareness and understanding.

Ignacio \$6,000

[Leon Co](#)

Leon gallery, creative space, and community cultural center provides an environment for artistic exploration free from the

Denver \$500

market pressures and economic restraints of commercial galleries and event venues.

[Lighthouse Writers Workshop](#)

Lighthouse Writers Workshop provides high-caliber artistic education, support and community for writers and readers of all ages to ensure that literature maintains its proper prominence in our culture and that individuals achieve their fullest potential as artists and human beings.

Denver \$10,500

[Literacy Outreach](#)

At Literacy Outreach, professionally trained community volunteers work one-on-one with Garfield County adult learners to provide essential literacy skills that include the ability to read, write, do math, speak and understand English, and access and use technology.

Glenwood Springs \$10,500

[Loveland Museum](#)

Loveland Museum promotes and enriches quality of life by providing diverse cultural experiences through history, artistic expression and community celebration.

Loveland \$4,667

[Lyons Historical Society dba Lyons Redstone Museum](#)

Housed in an 1881 schoolhouse, the Lyons Historical Society collects materials that may help to establish or illustrate the history of the area.

Lyons \$2,904

[Manitou Springs Historical Society](#)

Manitou Springs \$10,460

The Manitou Springs Historical Society preserves and restores the architectural integrity of Miramont Castle Museum and provides educational experiences and resources on the history of Manitou Springs, including its indigenous people.

[Mesa Verde Foundation](#)

Mesa Verde Foundation, partner to Mesa Verde National Park, is one of the 12 original UNESCO World Heritage Sites with a mission to promote understanding and appreciation of Mesa Verde while protecting its cultural, natural, aesthetic, and wilderness values.

Arvada \$13,293

[Metropolitan State University of Denver](#)

The Denver Project for Humanistic Inquiry at MSU Denver seeks to enrich Denver’s intellectual and cultural life through public humanities programs that reframe perspectives, challenge assumptions, and stimulate dialogue about human thought, history, science, art and culture.

Denver \$5,860

[Motus Theater](#)

Motus Theater creates original theater to facilitate dialogue on critical issues of our time and aims to use the power of art to build alliances across diverse segments of its community.

Boulder \$4,666

[Museo de las Americas](#)

Located in the heart of Denver’s Art District on Santa Fe, Museo de las Americas seeks to educate the community through collecting, preserving, interpreting, and exhibiting diverse Latin American arts and cultures, ancient to contemporary, through innovative exhibitions and free programs.

Denver \$15,000

[Museum of Boulder](#)

The Museum of Boulder showcases diverse community stories, preserves them for the future, and inspires all to affect positive change by co-creating exhibits and programming with the community.

Boulder	\$500
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[Museum of Friends \(MoF\)](#)

The Museum of Friends in the historic Roof & Dick Building at the corner of 6th Street and Main Street in Walsenburg has the educational mission to honor the artists who have freely given art to the Museum's founders establishing its collection.

Walsenburg	\$15,000
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[Museum of the Mountain West](#)

The Museum of the Mountain West in Montrose includes 25 buildings on seven acres, displaying 500,000+ artifacts dating between 1840 to 1940 to educate children and adults in the history of the West.

Montrose	\$4,690
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[Museums of Western Colorado](#)

The Museums of Western Colorado includes three museums, sites of paleontological and/or historical significance, and a research library that champions Colorado Plateau scientific and cultural heritage.

Grand Junction	\$6,000
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[National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum](#)

The only federally-chartered mining museum in the country, the National Mining Hall of Fame and Museum in Leadville tells the story of mining, including its people, its importance to the public, and to society's sustainability.

Leadville	\$10,500
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[Ouray County Historical Society, Inc.](#)

Ouray	\$4,000
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The Ouray County Historical Society collects, preserves, exhibits, and interprets whatever relates to the natural, social, and cultural history of the county and the adjacent San Juan Mountain region through 45 exhibits in the former St. Joseph’s Miners Hospital, two historic cabins, and one display barn.

[Raúl O. Paz-Pastrana](#)

Raúl O. Paz-Pastrana is a filmmaker, cinematographer, and multimedia creator who explores themes of ‘belonging’ and ‘alienation’ in immigrant communities, specifically serving Latinx, Black, indigenous, people of color, and immigrant/refugee communities.

Denver \$5,000

[Pikes Peak Library District Foundation.](#)

The Pikes Peak Library District Foundation provides resources and opportunities that impact individual lives and build community. With 15 libraries, online resources, mobile library services, and more than 3.2 million annual visits, PPLD responds to the unique needs of individual neighborhoods and the community at large.

Colorado Springs \$3,666

[Pines and Plains Libraries](#)

Pines and Plains Libraries in Elbert County provide resources to patrons to achieve their aspirations through literacy, technology, and community engagement.

Elizabeth \$15,000

[Poudre Landmarks Foundation](#)

Poudre Landmarks Foundation preserves, restores, protects, and interprets the architectural and cultural heritage of the Fort Collins area.

Fort Collins \$2,667

[Pueblo City-County Library District](#)

Pueblo City-County Library District offers welcoming, well-equipped and maintained facilities, outstanding collections, and employees who provide expert service to enable their patrons' joy of reading, lifelong learning, and access to information from around the world.

Pueblo \$6,000

[Raising A Reader Aspen to Parachute](#)

Raising A Reader fosters literacy bonds between children and their parents from Aspen to Parachute to eliminate the achievement gap that develops in the first five years of life when children do not hear enough language and/or do not have access to storybooks or read-aloud time with caregivers.

Glenwood Springs \$15,000

[Rock Ledge Ranch](#)

Located on 230 acres at Garden of the Gods, Rock Ledge Ranch is a living history museum whose mission is to depict and interpret the lives of people that lived in the Pikes Peak region during 1775-1907.

Colorado Springs \$6,000

[Rosemount Museum](#)

The Rosemount Museum collects, preserves, and interprets the experience of the Thatcher family and their contributions to Colorado from the historic Victorian mansion once home to prominent Puebloans John and Margaret Thatcher.

Pueblo \$4,708

[San Luis Valley Museum](#)

The San Luis Valley Museum educates residents and visitors about the diverse local heritage and culture, local and international wildlife, and the arts.

Alamosa \$6,400

[Southeastern Colorado Heritage Center dba Pueblo Heritage Museum](#)

The Pueblo Heritage Museum seeks to preserve, promote, and interpret the heritage of Southeastern Colorado and the plurality of its peoples by sharing regional history through interactive exhibits, special events, and educational programming.

Pueblo \$2,000

[State Historical Society of Colorado dba. History Colorado](#)

History Colorado works to create a more informed future by making Colorado’s history accessible and inspiring, including interactive exhibits, programs for kids and adults, and special events/cultural performances, thus creating opportunities that connect people to the past.

Denver \$15,000

[Steamboat Springs Council of the Arts & Humanities dba Steamboat Creates](#)

Steamboat Creates enhances quality of life and economic vitality for the local creative sector through advocacy, promotion, education, infrastructure, and connections and for the community and visitors by enabling engagement in arts, cultural, and heritage.

Steamboat Springs \$6,000

[Su Teatro](#)

Su Teatro reveals the cultural arts, heritage, and traditions of the Chicano/Latino community by telling stories that immortalize the Coloradans who stood up to injustice in programs designed to create opportunities for dialogue.

Denver \$10,500

[Summit Historic Society](#)

Dillon \$9,030

The Summit Historical Society’s mission is to interpret and educate the public about Summit County and Colorado’s rich history through preservation of over 5,000 artifacts and four historic buildings and the dissemination of information through publications.

[Task Force: ISO](#)

Task Force: ISO engages and inspires Veterans through photography. Veterans gain purpose through activity and self-discovery and build community through continued mentorship and support.

Westminster \$2,667

[The Arts Campus at Willits](#)

The Arts Campus at Willits presents performing arts and thought-provoking programming that enrich community vitality, strengthen economic diversity, and increase arts education and awareness.

Basalt \$4,667

[Tesoro Foundation](#)

The Tesoro Cultural Center (*tesoro* means “treasure” in Spanish) protects and makes available to the community the artistic treasures of our American past through cuisine, historical reenactments, and music inspired by Colorado’s rich history and shared experiences with Southwest, Spanish, Mexican, Native American, African American, and Early European cultures.

Morrison \$15,000

[Tread of Pioneers Historical Commission dba Tread of Pioneers Museum](#)

The Tread of Pioneers Museum engages and educates the public and fosters an appreciation of Steamboat Springs

Steamboat Springs \$6,000

history through preservation, research, collections, oral history, digitization, archives, events, and exhibits.

[University of Colorado – Colorado Springs](#)

Ent Center for the Arts fosters connection, teaches history and philosophy, and maintains culture through professional programs, such as the Artist Series, Galleries of Contemporary Art, and Theatreworks.	Colorado Springs	\$6,000
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[University of Colorado Denver English and Philosophy Departments](#)

University of Colorado Denver English and Philosophy Departments promote both student empowerment through reading and writing, and faculty research/creative work related to the English language and our common culture.	Aurora	\$4,666
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[Vail Symposium](#)

The Vail Symposium presents thought-provoking, diverse, and affordable programs that encourage the community to gather, learn, and share.	Vail	\$6,000
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