

NATIONAL ENDOWMENT FOR THE HUMANITIES

IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS FOR ILLINOIS

Grants to Illinois Organizations and Individuals in 2022, including from the *American Rescue Plan* – \$ 10,791,398

Number of Grantees - 71

Recent Project Highlights:

- The University of Illinois received a grant to digitize around 100,000 pages of newspapers published throughout the state between 1850 and 1963. These pages will become part of *Chronicling America*, the website of the National Digital Newspaper Project, a joint effort of NEH and the Library of Congress. This round of funding will support collection of newspapers from the small communities and rural areas to provide a robust picture of Illinois's immigrant, labor, farming, and industrial history.
- A team from Northwestern University's School of Communication, with a grant from NEH, is producing a documentary on the making of the ground-breaking history and legacy of the civil rights movement, *Eyes on the Prize*. This documentary, *Eyes on the Prize Reclaimed*, will explore how the original was made as well as its relevance and significance in teaching today's generations.

NEH also provides annual funding to <u>Illinois Humanities</u>, the designated humanities council in the state, to support a wide array of public programming.

Recent Illinois Humanities Highlight:

• Supports the *Road Scholars* Speakers Bureau, which provides opportunities for Illinois writers, storytellers, historians, folklorists, and musicians to go to local art and humanities nonprofit organizations to engage with the population on a multitude of topics.

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