Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

December 04, 2017

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I hope that you or your staff will call the project directors to congratulate them on their successful grant application. You will be the first to notify project directors of their projects' approval if you call before NEH staff notifies all project directors of offers on December 6.

Many congressional offices work with project directors to announce offered grants publicly. On December 13, NEH will announce all new grant offers on its website, www.neh.gov. Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until December 13. NEH’s social media handles are @NEHgov on all platforms.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Director of Congressional Affairs Tim Robison at (202) 606-8273 or trobison@neh.gov.

Sincerely,

Jon Parrish Peede
Acting Chairman

Kentucky Humanities Council, Inc.

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Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

July 25, 2017

Dear Representative Barr:

I am proud to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities is offering grants to institutions and individuals in your 6th district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the offered grants listed below.

We hope that you or your staff will take the opportunity to call the project directors to congratulate them on their successful grant application. Please find contact information listed below. If you call the project directors between now and July 27, you will be the first to notify them of their projects’ approval. NEH staff will notify all project directors of their offers on July 27.

Many congressional offices work with the project directors to announce offered grants publicly. On August 2, NEH will announce all new grant offers on its website, www.neh.gov. Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until August 2. All of NEH's social media handles are @NEHgov.

If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Caitlin Green at (202) 208-7122 or cgreen@neh.gov (mailto:cgreen@neh.gov).

Sincerely,

Margaret F. Plympton
Acting Chair

University of Kentucky Research Foundation
Institutes for School Teachers
Outright Amount: $146,611
Project Title: Addiction in American History
Project Director: Claire Clark
Contact: [Phone Number]

Kentucky Historical Society
Scholarly Editions and Translations
Outright Amount: $300,000
Project Title: Civil War Governors of Kentucky Digital Documentary Edition
Project Director: Patrick Lewis
Contact: 502-564-1792 x4502
Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

March 27, 2017

Dear Representative Barr:

I am proud to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities is offering grants to institutions and individuals in your 6th district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the offered grants listed below.

We hope that you or your staff will take the opportunity to call the project directors to congratulate them on their successful grant application. Please find contact information listed below. NEH program staff recently notified the project directors of their awards.

Many congressional offices work with the project directors to announce offered grants publicly. On March 29, NEH will announce the grants on its website, www.neh.gov (https://www.neh.gov). Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until March 29.

Please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov (mailto:taiken@neh.gov) if you have any questions or would like more information.

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

Berea College
Humanities Connections
Outright Amount: $99,998
Project Title: Engaging the Humanities Across Appalachia
Project Director: Jason Cohen
Contact: [6] (6)

University of Kentucky Research Foundation
Summer Stipends
Outright Amount: $6,000
Project Title: The Influence of Photography on Modern Russian Poetry
Project Director: Molly Biasing
Contact: 859-218-5337
Dear Representative Barr:

I am proud to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities is offering grants to institutions and individuals in your 6th district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the offered grants listed below.

NEH notifies congressional offices of newly offered grants several days before NEH notifies the project directors, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their successful applications. If you call the project directors between now and December 7, you will be the first to notify them of their projects’ approval. Please find their contact information below.

Many congressional offices work with the project directors to publicly announce offered grants. On December 7, NEH staff will contact all successful applicants directly. On December 14, NEH will announce the grants on its website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov). Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until December 14.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov (mailto:taiken@neh.gov).

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman
Kentucky Historical Society
Common Heritage
Outright Amount: $12,000
Project Title: Integrating Segregated Histories
Project Director: Sara Elliott
Contact: 502-564-1792 x4453
Dear Representative Barr:

I am proud to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities is offering grants to institutions and individuals in your 6th district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the offered grants listed below.

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Many congressional offices work with the project directors to publicly announce offered grants. Please find additional resources from NEH for a public announcement here (http://50.neh.gov/about/chairman/congressional-affairs/grant-announcement-toolkit) (the access code is “humanities”). On July 27, NEH staff will contact all successful applicants directly. On August 9, NEH will announce the grants on its website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov/). Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until August 9.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact NEH's Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov.

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

University of Kentucky Research Foundation
Next Generation Humanities PhD (Planning)
Matching Amount: $25,000
Project Title: Careers Beyond the Academy
Project Director: Sarah Lyon
Contact: 859-257-5038

University of Kentucky
Public Scholar Program
Outright Amount: $50,400
Project Title: Free and Equal: The Story of the French Revolution
Project Director: Jeremy Popkin
Contact: 859-257-1415

Kentucky Humanities Council, Inc
State Humanities Councils General Operating Support Grants
Andy Barr

Outright Amount: $714,870
Matching Amount: $6,800
Project Title: State Humanities Program
Project Director: Howard Roberts
Contact: 606-218-5019
Dear Representative Barr:

I am proud to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities is offering grants to institutions and individuals in your 6th district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the offered grants listed below.

NEH notifies congressional offices of newly offered grants several days before NEH staff members notify the project directors, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their successful applications. If you call the project directors between now and March 16, you will be the first to notify them of their projects’ approval. Please find their contact information below.

Many congressional offices work with the project directors to announce publicly offered grants. Please find additional resources from NEH for a public announcement here (http://50.neh.gov/about/chairman/congressional-affairs/grant-announcement-toolkit) (the access code is “humanities”). On March 16, NEH staff will contact all successful applicants directly. On March 23, NEH will announce the grants on its website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov/). Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until March 23.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact NEH's Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov (mailto:taiken@neh.gov).

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

University of Kentucky Research Foundation
Enduring Questions: Pilot Course Grants
Outright Amount: $19,121
Project Title: NEH Enduring Questions Course on Morality, Habit, and Health
Project Director: Claire Clark
Contact: 859-257-3513
Dear Representative Barr:

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NEH notifies Congressional offices of newly offered grants several days before NEH staff members notify the project directors, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their successful applications. If you call the project directors between now and December 8, you will be the first to notify them of their projects’ approval. Please find their contact information below.

Many Congressional offices work with the project directors to publicly announce offered grants either jointly or separately. Please find additional information from NEH for a public announcement here (http://50.neh.gov/about/chairman/congressional-affairs/grant-announcement-too kit) (the access code is humanities). On December 8, NEH staff will contact all successful applicants directly. On December 14, NEH will announce the grants on its website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov). Please hold your public announcements (both traditional and social media) until December 14.

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov (mailto:taiken@neh.gov).

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

Eastern Kentucky University
Preservation Assistance Grants
Outright Amount: $6,000
Project Title: Eastern Kentucky University Libraries Digital Preservation Consultation
Project Director: Jackie Couture
Contact: 859-622-1792
Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

July 21, 2015

Dear Representative Barr:

I am proud to announce new grant awards to your 6th district from the National Endowment for the Humanities. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous peer-review and selection process to ensure that the projects represent the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the new grant awards listed below.

NEH notifies Congressional offices of grant awards several days before NEH staff notify the awardees, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their NEH grant awards. If you call the grantees between now and July 23, you will be the first to notify them of their award. Please find their contact information below.

Many Congressional offices work with the grant awardees to create press releases either jointly or separately. Please let us know if you would like additional information from NEH for your press release. On July 23, NEH staff will be contacting all successful applicants directly. On July 28, NEH will announce the grants on its website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov).

If you have any questions or would like further information, please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273 or taiken@neh.gov (mailto:taiken@neh.gov).

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

University of Kentucky
Public Scholar Program
Outright Amount: $50,400
Project Title: Tet 1968: The Battles that Changed the Vietnam War and the Global Cold War
Project Director: Lien-Hang Nguyen
Contact: 859-257-4338
Dear Representative Barr:

I am pleased to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has awarded grants to organizations in your 6th district as part of Latino Americans: 500 Years of History. With support from NEH and the American Library Association (ALA), more than 200 sites will receive funding to host public programs that support the American public’s exploration of the rich and varied history and experiences of Latinos Americans. The cornerstone of the project is the six-part, NEH-supported documentary film, Latino Americans, created for PBS in 2013 by the WETA public television station.

The organizations that will receive Latino Americans: 500 Years of History in your 6th district are:

Lexington Public Library
$3,000
Jenny Lewis, jlewis@lexpublib.org

NEH notifies Congressional offices of grant awards before notifying the awardees, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to contact the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their grant awards. If you call the grantees today, you will be the first to notify them of their award.

Many Congressional offices work with the grant awardees to create press releases either jointly or separately. Please let us know if you would like additional information from NEH for your press release. On June 11 (tomorrow), ALA staff will contact all successful applicants directly and NEH will publicly announce the grants on NEH’s website, www.neh.gov.

If you have any questions or would like further information on any of these grants, please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273, or taiken@neh.gov.

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman
Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

March 17, 2015

Dear Representative Barr:

I am proud to announce new grant awards to your 6th district from the National Endowment for the Humanities. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous review and selection process to ensure that the project represents the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. Please find the new grant awards listed below.

NEH notifies Congressional offices of grant awards several days before NEH staff notify the awardees, so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project directors to inform and congratulate them on their NEH grant awards. If you call the grantees between now and March 19, you will be the first to notify them of their award. Please find their contact information below.

Many Congressional offices work with the grant awardees to create press releases either jointly or separately. You may also work with NEH’s Communications Director, Theola DeBose (tdebose@neh.gov) or 202-606-8255) on a press release. On March 19, our staff will contact all successful applicants directly. On March 23, we will publicly announce the grants on our website, www.neh.gov.

If you have any questions or would like further information on any of these grants, please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Tim Aiken at (202) 606-8273, or taiken@neh.gov.

Sincerely,

William D. Adams
Chairman

University of Kentucky Research Foundation
Summer Stipends
Outright Amount: $6,000
Project Title: Finance and Feeling in Eighteenth-Century Britain
Project Director: Michael Genovese
Contact: 859-257-9420
Dear Representative Barr:

I am pleased to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities has awarded the grants listed below to applicants from your 6th district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous review and selection process to ensure that the project represents the highest level of humanities research and public engagement.

NEH notifies Congressional offices of grant awards so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project director to congratulate them on their NEH grant award. Please find contact information listed below. NEH also contacts all successful grantees directly and publicly announces the grants on our website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov).

Please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Courtney Chapin at (202) 606-8298 or cchapin@neh.gov (mailto:cchapin@neh.gov) if you have any questions or would like further information.

Sincerely,

Carole M. Watson
Acting Chairman

Kentucky Historical Society
Scholarly Editions and Translations
Outright Amount: $210,000
Project Title: Civil War Governors of Kentucky Digital Documentary Edition
Project Director: R. Darrell Meadows
Contact: 502-564-1792, ext. 4
Representative Garland Barr  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Barr:

I am pleased to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities has awarded the grants listed below to applicants from your 6th district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous review and selection process to ensure that the project represents the highest level of humanities research and public engagement.

NEH notifies Congressional offices of NEH grant awards first so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project director to inform and congratulate them on their successful application to NEH. In the next few days, our staff will contact all successful grantees directly and publicly announce the grants on our website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov).

Please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Courtney Chapin at (202) 606-8298 or cchapin@neh.gov (mailto:ccchapin@neh.gov) if you have any questions or would like further information on any of these grants.

Sincerely,

Carole M. Watson  
Acting Chairman

University of Kentucky Research Foundation  
Preservation Assistance Grants  
Outright Amount: $4,405  
Project Title: Consultation with Textile Conservation Specialist to Develop Plans for Rehousing Museum Collections  
Project Director: George Crothers  
Contact: 859-257-6923
Subject: National Endowment for the Humanities Grant Notification

Office of the Chairman
1100 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20506

April 05, 2013

Representative Garland Barr
United States House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Representative Barr:

I am pleased to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities has awarded the grants listed below to applicants from your 6th district. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous review and selection process to ensure that the project represents the highest level of humanities research and public engagement.

We notify Congressional offices of the award first so that Members of Congress or their staff have the opportunity to personally call the project director to inform and congratulate them on their successful application to NEH. In the next few days, our staff will contact all successful applicants directly and publicly announce the grants on our website, www.neh.gov (http://www.neh.gov).

If you have any questions or would like further information on any of these grants, please contact NEH’s Director of Congressional Affairs, Courtney Chapin at (202) 606-8298, or cchapin@neh.gov (mailto:cchapin@neh.gov).

Sincerely,

James A. Leach
Chairman

University of Kentucky Research Foundation
Humanities Collections and Reference Resources
Outright Amount: $139,596
Project Title: Coal, Camps, and Railroads: Digitizing Primary Sources on Appalachian Economic Development
Project Director: Mary Molinaro
Contact: 859-218-1329
Andy Barr

University of Kentucky Research Foundation
Summer Stipends
Outright Amount: $6,000
Project Title: Girlhood in Early African American Literature and Culture
Project Director: Nazera Wright
Contact (b) (6)
Representative Garland Barr  
United States House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 20515  

Dear Representative Barr:

I am pleased to announce that the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) has awarded grants to libraries in your 6th district for the Bridging Cultures Bookshelf: Muslim Journeys, a project of NEH's Bridging Cultures special initiative. The Bookshelf is a collection of books, films, and other resources that will introduce the American public to the complex history and culture of Muslim societies in the United States and around the world. NEH and the American Library Association compiled the Bookshelf based on the advice of scholars, librarians, and other public programming experts. Support for the development and distribution of the Muslim Journeys Bookshelf was provided by a grant from the Carnegie Corporation of New York, with additional support for the arts and media components from the Doris Duke Foundation for Islamic Art.

To learn more about the Muslim Journeys Bookshelf, please visit the project's description (http://www.neh.gov/divisions/bridging-cultures/featured-project/neh-announces-bridging-cultures-programs-libraries) or the list of books (http://www.neh.gov/files/divisions/bridging-cultures/muslim_journeys_booklet.pdf) on our website.

The libraries that will receive the Muslim Journeys Bookshelf in your 6th district are:

Bluegrass Community & Technical College  
Kathleen Richardson, (859) 246-6386

Kentucky Humanities Council, Inc.  
Virginia Carter, (859) 257-5932

We notify you of the award prior to notifying the grant recipient because in the past, some members of Congress have personally informed and congratulated project directors. NEH grants are highly competitive and involve a rigorous review and selection process to ensure that the project represents the highest level of humanities research and public engagement. We hope that you will take the time today or tomorrow to contact the grant recipients listed above. Tomorrow, our staff will contact all successful applicants and publish the list of grantees on our website, www.neh.gov. (http://www.neh.gov/)

If you have any questions or would like further information on this program, please contact NEH's Director of Congressional Affairs, Courtney Chapin at (202) 606-8298, or cchapin@neh.gov (mailto:ccchapin@neh.gov).
Andy Barr

Sincerely,

James A. Leach
Chairman
July 14, 2016

Brett Bobley  
Chief Information Officer  
National Endowment for the Humanities  
400 7th Street SW  
Washington, DC 20506

Dear Mr. Bobley,

I am following up on my earlier letter from Dec, 3, 2015 regarding Lexmark International, Inc. I reiterate my request that you schedule time to meet with them. Headquartered in Lexington, Kentucky and a valuable constituent of the Sixth District, Lexmark is a global company that is well known for their innovative office solutions. They have been successful at implementing cost saving solutions for countless clients, including federal agencies, saving millions of dollars in administrative expenses. The government is always in need of finding ways to stretch its dollars and operate as efficiently as possible.

I would be grateful if you would meet with Mark Guthrie and his team at Lexmark to see if they might be able to save your agency money. Mr. Guthrie can be reached at 202-378-9001 or mguthrie@lexmark.com. The attached documents contain further information about Lexmark International, Inc.

I appreciate your time and attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Andy Barr  
Member of Congress

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Enclosure
Responsible Document Management

Regardless of your agency’s mission or operating budget, nearly every government program is tasked with reducing costs while providing a higher level of document and data security. This information not only resides electronically across various systems but also takes the form of hard copy documentation, which is often overlooked by security analysts. Regardless of which form it takes, organizations must constantly protect against insider threats as well as outside attacks. And even as resources become scarcer, constituents’ demand for additional services, along with the delivery of information and answers in real time, continues to increase.

Is confidential information walking out your door?

As organizations become increasingly reliant on digital information, government agencies must bridge the gap between new technologies and the paper-based world where many records still reside. You know the importance of safeguarding your department’s confidential data and protecting against unauthorized breaches. However, safeguarding sensitive information becomes more difficult by the ease in which records can be transformed from one format to another – paper to digital, and digital to paper. Adding even greater complexity are the cumbersome, manual processes required to move documents through ever-changing reviews, approvals, audits, compliance drills and long term archiving.

Lexmark’s Responsible Document Management suite for government is a set of advanced capabilities designed to provide additional layers of management and security for sensitive documents and files throughout the organization. While agencies must constantly manage the threat of security breaches from electronic information as in the case with Edward Snowden, of equal importance is the protection of hardcopy information. Lexmark process and content solutions safeguard all types of data by bridging the gap between information captured electronically and on paper, to help governments cost-effectively manage their most critical and sensitive information.

Automate processes and improve service: eliminate paper-based processes so staff can focus on serving customers rather than managing manual tasks; improve collaboration for faster decisions and speedy delivery of benefits

Audit and control hard copy documentation: securely release all printed documents at the device to eliminate risk of confidential information being compromised; generate alerts for unauthorized copies and conduct searches based on keywords or metadata

Secure data from unauthorized viewing and tampering: ensure sensitive files are viewed only by people with appropriate access, and use redaction to conceal confidential data while preserving the state of the original document or information

Identify unprotected private information at risk: leverage intelligent discovery technology to reduce the amount of information that needs to be viewed and produced, regardless of size or location

Ensure compliance with records policies: manage information consistently regardless of content or department, while ensuring controls are in place to monitor access; support retention of information for legal and administrative amount of time, and initiate archive or destruction when record lifecycle is complete

Contain costs and gain visibility: provide a consistent, stable output platform for productivity and efficiency across the enterprise; achieve 100% fleet visibility and organization-wide control while increasing device availability and simplifying consumables management

Secure output environment: secure network interfaces from malicious users by activating included features such as blocking unnecessary functions, locking down interfaces and securing data hosted by the device

Simplify document management and project sensitive information

For busy agency personnel looking to streamline daily processes and protect information, Lexmark’s Responsible Document Management suite for government offers these key benefits:
A closer look: The Lexmark advantage

Agencies are becoming more aware that they must take control of information, including paper and electronic assets, no matter where these assets are located or what form they take. However, information silos and disconnected processes managed outside core business systems make it difficult to control unauthorized access to documents and data.

Lexmark is the only company that offers a comprehensive, responsible approach to managing documents and content to help agencies protect information in every stage of its lifecycle, from initial capture to final archiving or destruction. Here's how:

- Optimize your fleet of output devices to reduce costs, drive efficiency and optimize business processes
- Manage enterprise output to reduce unnecessary printing, protect confidential information and give users greater mobility
- Move from paper files to digital images and eliminate overflowing file cabinets, missing files and tedious searches for critical information
- Leverage a smart multifunctional printer (MFP) ecosystem to reduce manual tasks associated with document processing and correspondence, freeing your staff to focus on more important tasks
- Securely monitor your output (print, copy and fax) for greater visibility into physical documents; also reduce risk and liabilities associated with security breaches
- Unlock content regardless of where it exists to analyze connections between disparate pieces of information
- Manage records and file plans to increase accessibility and boost compliance with regulatory requirements
- Bridge the gap between paper and digital-unstructured and structured information with devices that ensure efficient processes throughout your organization
December 21, 2015

The Honorable Andy Barr
1432 Longworth Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Rep. Barr:

Thank you for your letter addressed to Brett Bobley, Director of the Digital Humanities Division and Chief Information Officer, introducing Mark Guthrie and his team at Lexmark. Brett Bobley has forwarded your letter to my attention for a response.

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) is always interested in exploring ways to reduce its administrative expenses. As a small independent federal agency, however, NEH lacks the internal resources to engage directly with private companies on procurement issues, relying exclusively on the General Service Administration’s contract schedule for its procurement needs. I was pleased to note that Lexmark is on the GSA’s contract schedule.

At this time, however, NEH has no outstanding hardware or software needs, nor are any needs anticipated in the near future. Last year, in an effort to reduce moving costs associated with the agency’s relocation to its present location, NEH replaced all of its outdated hardware and related software. While these cost savings measures were successful, level funding and expenses related including required accounting system updates will limit the agency’s ability to finance any new hardware or related software acquisition in the near future.

I would be pleased to make arrangements for a meeting with Mr. Guthrie, but I am not certain it would be a productive use of his time.

Sincerely,

Timothy B. Aiken
Legislative Director

Cc: Brett Bobley
December 6, 2015

Brett Bobley
Director and Chief Information Officer
Office of Digital Humanities
National Foundation on the Arts and the Humanities
400 7th Street, SW, Room 402
Washington, DC 20506

Dear Mr. Bobley,

Lexmark International, Inc. is a valued constituent of the Sixth Congressional District. Headquartered in Lexington, Kentucky, Lexmark is a global company that is well known for their innovative office solutions. They have been successful at implementing cost saving solutions for countless clients, including federal agencies, saving millions of dollars in administrative expenses. The government is always in need of finding ways to stretch its dollars and operate as efficiently as possible.

I would be grateful if you would meet with Mark Guthrie and his team at Lexmark to see if they might be able to save your agency money. Mr. Guthrie, Vice President of Government Solutions, can be reached at mguthrie@lexmark.com, 1-202-378-9017, or 1-240-626-1838. The attached documents contain further contact information and more information about Lexmark International, Inc.

I appreciate your time and attention in this matter.

Sincerely,

Andy Barr
Member of Congress

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Enclosure
December 3, 2015

The Honorable Andy Barr
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Barr:

On behalf of Lexmark International, Inc., the largest company headquartered in your district, I am writing to solicit your assistance in enabling Lexmark to meet with officials at the National Endowment for the Humanities responsible for procuring the hardware and software that Lexmark can provide to NEH and which would produce massive savings for the agency.

Lexmark is recognized as a global leader in software, imaging, and output solutions that help people and organizations improve processes and reduce their costs. Lexmark has a long history of providing products and services to federal agencies, saving them tens -- in some cases hundreds -- of millions of dollars in the process. Unlike some of its competitors, Lexmark is based in the US, and is the only provider that integrates American-assembled devices and a full complement of software and services.

Lexmark takes Managed Print Services (MPS) to a new level with a cutting-edge offering known as Responsible Document Management. This approach optimizes the benefits of MPS, and also provides the efficiency gains of content management, and incorporates a level of security features that should prove highly valuable to NEH. With security breaches so prevalent and costly, Lexmark's technology can help NEH guard against costly data leaks.

Recently Lexmark provided a solution to help the Office of the Inspector General for the US Department of State monitor emails for sensitive information. Preventing the loss of proprietary information saves agencies millions against potential lost productivity, unnecessary labor costs, credit monitoring, and ultimately (and unfortunately) adverse damage awards. These types of avoided costs can be massive, and are not even counted in the amount that Lexmark can save NEH in connection with basic efficiencies.
May 15, 2015

Chairman Bro Adams
c/o Mr. Tim Aiken
National Endowment for the Humanities
400 7th Street SW
Washington, DC 20506

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing on behalf of Eastern Kentucky University’s “Living History in Appalachia: The Rivers and Railroads Project” proposal for the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH).

In a sign of local and multi-state collaboration, Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) is submitting this application as part of a joint effort with the University of Kentucky (UK), Elkhorn City Heritage Council, Corbin Tourism and Convention Center, Estill Development Alliance, EKU Special Collections and Archives, UK’s Nunn Center for Oral History, Virginia Museum of Transportation, Cincinnati Museum, Cass Scenic Railroad State Park and Tennessee Valley Railroad Museum.

If awarded, Eastern Kentucky University (EKU) and the University of Kentucky (UK) would conduct a series of independent studies courses and internships, under the framework of a “Living History in Appalachia” class to highlight the past of the Kentucky communities of Irvine, Corbin and Elkhorn City. These three communities have rich histories as rail and river transportation hubs that once served to export timber and coal from Appalachian Kentucky. EKU and UK students, faculty and archive staff will work with community members and museum partners to document and create media products and museum displays that will focus on the historic role that “Rivers and Railroads” have played in the development of the communities.

I hope this proposal receives full and fair consideration under the grant making guidelines. This multi-state, multi-university, multi-site project will build the capacity of these three communities to present their histories and stories to visitors and to future generations. Please contact Aaron Thompson of my staff at (859)351-2359 if you have any questions or if my office may be of any assistance.

Sincerely,

Andy Barr
Member of Congress
May 21, 2015

The Honorable Andy Barr
1432 Longworth House Office Building
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Rep. Barr:

Thank you for contacting the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) in support of the University of Kentucky's "Living History in Appalachia: The Rivers and Railroads Project."

As you may be aware, NEH grants are awarded on the basis of a peer review process that is similar to the review process operated by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the National Science Foundation (NSF). NEH staff assembles the advice of the evaluators and presents grant recommendations to the National Council on the Humanities, the agency's presidentially appointed and Senate-confirmed advisory group, which meets three times a year to advise the NEH Chairman. The council's recommendations are then forwarded to the Chairman who, by law, must give final approval to each recommended proposal.

It is my understanding that the University of Kentucky's grant application is still under review with a decision by the National Council scheduled for its November 2015 meeting. Chairman Adams wanted me to assure you that the grant application will receive every consideration as it moves through the review process. Applicants will be notified of the results of this grant competition shortly after the November council meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Timothy B. Aiken
Director of Congressional Affairs
Eastern Kentucky University (Richmond, KY 40475-3102)  PE-233740

Living History in Appalachia: The Rivers and Railroads Series

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Dear Congressman Barr,

Thank you for taking the time to meet with me today to talk about my National History Day project on the Newsboys strike of 1899. I enjoyed my time in Washington DC and my time in the Capitol.

Thank you,

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