

**FRRS Receives California Humanities COVID Relief Grant**

- Eugene Vicknair

In early October 2021, the FRRS was awarded another relief grant to help offset losses endured due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. This grant for \$20,000 was provided by California Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities. Thank you to Patty and Michael Clawson of Big Fish Creations and to Shane Starr of Congressman Doug LaMalfa’s office (CA-1) for their assistance in landing this grant. Primary grant writing and research was done by Eugene Vicknair as FRRS Funding Chair.

This grant must be used between November 1, 2021 and April 30, 2022. Any unused funds need to be paid back. Also, we have requirements for an end of grant report and notices in our printed materials and website. To meet the notice requirement, members and visitors will notice the following wording in *the Train Sheet*, *Headlight* and on our website during the end of 2021 and through 2022:

*“Funding has been provided by California Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH) as part of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.”*

Appropriate activities include, but are not limited to:

- Staff salaries and fringe benefits for programmatic and/or project administrative personnel
- Professional fees, including payments for technical consultants, etc.
- Programming, publication, dissemination expenses (e.g., exhibit fabrication and installation, venue rental, web design, videography, screening expenses)
- Supplies and materials for all organizational activities
- Administrative expenses including phone, postage, photocopying, and printing
- Marketing expenses (e.g., design, printing, distribution of announcements or fliers, ad placement)
- Documentation expenses (e.g., videography of events)
- Some equipment acquisition and repair expenses
- Indirect administrative fees

**Based on this list, a lot of the necessary but “uninteresting” back office expenses that are required to keep our non-profit operating will be partly funded using this grant and we should have no problem reaching the use requirements stipulated.**



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