



# IMPACT REPORT FOR THE HONORABLE BILL PASCRELL

## DISTRICT 9 PARTNERS and GRANTEES

Hamilton Partnership for Paterson Passaic County Department of Cultural & Historic Affairs Paterson Performing Arts Development Council Save Ancient Studies, Inc.

## **\$36,150**

## MISSION

WE EXPLORE, CULTIVATE, AND CHAMPION THE PUBLIC HUMANITIES IN ORDER TO STRENGTHEN NEW JERSEY'S DIVERSE COMMUNITY.



### **COVID Response, Recovery, and Resilience for the Cultural Sector**

**HIGHLIGHTS** 

In 2020, NJCH awarded over \$660,000
 to 84 organizations as part of its CARES
 Act COVID relief grants program.

#### Through that funding, we:

- Connected **1,230,913** New Jerseyans through virtual convenings
- Saved 120 jobs
- Reached **165,120** people with in-person programs

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- In 2021, as the pandemic continued, NJCH provided \$1,003,297 in American Rescue Plan relief funding to 96 organizations. Data on the impact of those crucial funds will be shared in the coming months.
- Our longstanding Incubation and Action
  Grants for public humanities programs allowed us to award \$402,477 to 31 organizations across the state, bolstering the humanities infrastructure and strengthening communities at a critical moment.

#### **Diversifying the Humanities**

Building an equitable future starts with examining untold stories from the past. Our **Community History** program teaches community organizations to document, preserve, and share their own histories and then provides seed funding for pilot projects.



### Understanding American Democracy

NJCH kicked off a **five-year initiative** dedicated to exploring our government and its past in 2020, starting with our Women's Suffrage and

Beyond program. Since then, we have partnered with community colleges across the state to host the Democracy Conversation



Project, and in 2022 we will sponsor a statewide tour of the Smithsonian's *Voices and Votes: Democracy in America* Exhibit.

2022 also will see the launch of the Council's **Democracy and the Informed Citizen** program, which is providing training in local journalism to communities across South Jersey. Our efforts to deepen understanding of American democracy and encourage ordinary New Jerseyans to take part in local and national governance will continue through the semiguincentennial in 2026.

## PUBLIC HUMANITIES CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF CONNECTIONS IN THE GARDEN STATE

Join us for a full year of events! WWW.NJHUMANITIES.ORG/ABOUT/50-YEARS

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