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**DEADLINE APPROACHING FOR GRANTS TO PRESERVE PA'S  
HISTORY, HERITAGE**

*Non-profits, Local Governments Have Until Dec. 8 to Apply*

**Harrisburg, PA** –Non-profit organizations and local governments working to preserve Pennsylvania's heritage have until Dec. 3 to apply for history and museum project grants from the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission.

Eligible projects include archives and records management, historic preservation, organization development, collections management, and local and public history.

"These grants can help organizations learn how to maintain records and collections and support them in exhibit planning," PHMC Executive Director Barbara Franco said. "I urge eligible organizations to apply for this funding to support their programs."

The competitive grants range from up to \$5,000 with no matching funds required to as much as \$15,000 with a required match. The grants are made annually based on a peer review process. For 2007, the commission awarded more than \$675,000 to more than 70 non-profit organizations and local governments throughout the commonwealth. About half of the grants are less than \$5,000.

Project grant applications must be submitted via eGrant. Assistance in preparing grant applications is available at (717) 787-4363.

For more information about the grants program or the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission—the official history agency of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania—visit [www.phmc.state.pa.us](http://www.phmc.state.pa.us).