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Department of Historic Resources

Item 386	First Year - FY2023	Second Year - FY2024
Historic and Commemorative Attraction Management (50200)	\$38,894,888	\$22,472,048
Financial Assistance for Historic Preservation (50204)	\$27,476,940	\$15,699,100
Historic Resource Management (50205)	\$11,417,948	\$6,772,948
Fund Sources:		
General	\$35,508,009	\$19,085,169
Special	\$1,164,349	\$1,164,349
Commonwealth Transportation	\$210,000	\$210,000
Dedicated Special Revenue	\$97,799	\$97,799
Federal Trust	\$1,914,731	\$1,914,731

Authority: Title 10.1, Chapters 22 and 23, Code of Virginia.

A. Consistent with the provisions of § 4-13.00 of this act, general fund appropriations for historic and commemorative attractions identified within this item or for the purposes stated in § [10.1-2211.1](#) or § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, shall be disbursed as described within this item and shall not be subject to any other restrictions or statutory requirements unless specified within this item. Any other general fund appropriations for historic and commemorative attractions shall be matched by local or private sources, either in cash or in-kind, in amounts at least equal to the appropriation and which are deemed to be acceptable to the department.

B. In emergency situations which shall be defined as those posing a threat to life, safety or property, § [10.1-2213](#), Code of Virginia, shall not apply.

C. Pursuant to the provisions of § [10.1-2211.1](#), Code of Virginia, as amended by Chapter 639, 2018 Session of the General Assembly, out of the amounts provided for Financial Preservation shall be paid \$23,100 the first year and \$23,100 the second year from the general fund grants to the Virginia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (VASSAR) and the Revolutionary War memorial associations caring for cemeteries as set forth in subsection B of § [10.1-2211.1](#), Code of Virginia. Such sums shall be expended by the associations for the routine maintenance of their respective Revolutionary War cemeteries and graves and for the graves of Revolutionary War soldiers and sailors not otherwise cared for in other cemeteries, and in erecting and caring for markers, memorials, and monuments to the memory of such soldiers, sailors, and persons rendering service to the Patriot cause in the Revolutionary War.

D. Included in this appropriation is \$210,000 the first year and \$210,000 the second year in nongeneral funds from the Highway Maintenance and Operating Fund to support the Department of Historic Resources' required reviews

of transportation projects.

E. The Department of Historic Resources is authorized to accept a devise of certain real property under the will of Elizabeth Rust Williams known as Clermont Farm located on Route 7 east of the town of Berryville in Clarke County. If, after due consideration of options, the department determines that the property should be sold or leased to a different public or private entity, and notwithstanding the provisions of § 2.2-1156, Code of Virginia, then the department is further authorized to sell or lease such property, provided such sale or lease is not in conflict with the terms of the will. The proceeds of any such sale or lease shall be deposited to the Historic Resources Fund established under § 10.1-2202.1, Code of Virginia.

F. The Department of Historic Resources shall follow and provide input on federal legislation designed to establish a new national system of recognizing and funding Presidential Libraries for those entities that are not included in the 1955 Presidential Library Act.

G.1. Included in this appropriation is \$4,500,000 the first year and \$11,500,000 the second year from the general fund to be deposited into the Virginia Battlefield Preservation Fund for grants to be made in accordance with § 10.1-2202.4, Code of Virginia. Any moneys remaining in the Fund, including interest thereon, at the end of each fiscal year shall not revert to the general fund but shall remain in the Fund. This appropriation shall be deemed sufficient to meet the provisions of § 2.2-1509.4, Code of Virginia.

2. From the amounts in this item, \$1,500,000 in the first year and \$4,000,000 the second year shall be granted to the battlefield preservation organizations donating property at the proposed Culpeper Battlefields State Park in order that they may expeditiously acquire up to 800 additional acres at the site and donate this acreage to the Department of Conservation and Recreation. Such grants shall be exempt from the matching fund and easement recordation requirements of § 10.1-2202.4, Code of Virginia.

3. From the amounts in this item, \$2,500,000 the first year and \$2,250,000 the second year shall be granted to the battlefield organization that manages the Shenandoah Valley Battlefields National Historic District in order that they may effectively promote heritage tourism, increase public access to preserved lands, and improve the visitor experience at already preserved battlefield sites throughout the Shenandoah Valley. Such improvements when completed shall result in the development of seven new battlefield parks across four counties. Improvements shall include highway signage, parking facilities, trailheads, restroom facilities, trails, interpretive signage, environmental protections, fencing, the completion of the Shenandoah Valley Civil War Museum, and the creation of the New Market History and Education Center. Such grants shall be exempt from the matching fund and easement recordation requirements of § 10.1-2202.4, Code of Virginia.

4. From the amounts in this item, \$3,750,000 the second year from the general fund shall be granted to the battlefield organization that manages the Shenandoah Battlefields National Historic District in order that they may expeditiously acquire for permanent preservation and public enjoyment additional acres of the New Market Battlefield; \$1.0 million of this amount shall be deposited into a maintenance fund to be administered according to terms set forth by the Director. Such grants shall be exempt from the matching fund and easement recordation requirements of § 10.1-2202.4 of the Code of Virginia.

H. The Department of Historic Resources is authorized to require applicants for tax credits for historic rehabilitation projects under § 58.1-339.2, Code of Virginia, to provide an audit by a certified public accountant licensed in Virginia, in accordance with guidelines developed by the department in consultation with the Auditor of Public Accounts. The department is also authorized to contract with tax, financial, and other professionals to assist the department with the oversight of historic rehabilitation projects for which tax credits are anticipated.

I.1. Included in this Item is \$250,000 the first year and \$250,000 the second year from the general fund to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves and cemeteries.

2. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$34,875 the first year and \$34,875 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at the East End Cemetery in Henrico County, Virginia and the Evergreen Cemetery in Richmond, Virginia.
3. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$960 the first year and \$960 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at the Daughters of Zion Cemetery in Charlottesville, Virginia.
4. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$1,330 the first year and \$1,330 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at the Mt. Calvary Cemetery in Portsmouth, Virginia.
5. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$385 the first year and \$385 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at the African-American Burial Ground for the Enslaved at Belmont and Mt. Zion Old Baptist Church Cemetery in Loudoun County, Virginia.
6. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$385 the first year and \$385 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at the New River and West Dublin Cemeteries in Pulaski County, Virginia.
7. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$2,340 the first year and \$2,340 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at Oak Lawn Cemetery in Suffolk, Virginia.
8. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$3,855 the first year and \$3,855 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at the following cemeteries in Hampton Virginia: 212 graves at Bassonette's Cemetery, 339 graves at Elmerton Cemetery, 14 graves at Queen Street Cemetery, 29 graves at Pleasant Shade Cemetery, 15 graves at the Tucker Family Cemetery, 125 graves at Union Street Cemetery and 37 graves at Good Samaritan Cemetery.
9. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$975 the first year and \$975 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at Matthews, People's and Smith Street Cemeteries in Martinsville, Virginia.
10. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$9,715 the first year and \$9,715 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at six cemeteries in Alexandria, Virginia.
11. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$485 the first year and \$485 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at Wake Forest and Westview Cemeteries in Montgomery County, Virginia.
12. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$455 the first year and \$455 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at Mountain View Cemetery in Radford, Virginia.
13. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$1,330 the first year and \$1,330 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at Calloway, Lomax, and Mount Salvation Cemeteries in Arlington County, Virginia.
14. Pursuant to § [10.1-2211.2](#), Code of Virginia, \$2,000 the first year and \$2,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at Newtown Cemetery

in Harrisonburg, Virginia.

15. Pursuant to § 10.1-2211.2, Code of Virginia, \$260 the first year and \$260 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at Cuffeytown Cemetery in Chesapeake, Virginia.

16. Pursuant to § 10.1-2211.2, Code of Virginia, \$180 the first year and \$180 the second year from the general fund is provided to support the preservation and care of historical African American graves at Stanton Family Cemetery in Buckingham County, Virginia.

J. The Department of Historic Resources is authorized to collect administrative fees for the provision of easement and stewardship services. Revenues generated from the easement fee schedule shall be deposited into the Preservation Easement Fund pursuant to § 10.1-2202.2., Code of Virginia.

K. The Department of Historic Resources is authorized to enter into an agreement with one or more Virginia-based Historically Black Colleges and Universities to provide paid internships to enrolled students for data collection and outreach activities to expand Virginia's historical property catalogue to include underrepresented African American and indigenous communities. Included within the amounts in this item, \$100,000 the first year and \$100,000 the second year from the general fund is provided for the internship program.

L. Consistent with the provisions of § 10.1-2214, Code of Virginia, \$159,479 the first year and \$159,479 the second year from the general fund is provided to maintain an underwater archaeology program.

M. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$5,000,000 the first year from the general fund shall be deposited to *the Virginia Black, Indigenous, and People of Color Historic Preservation Fund, as established in § 10.1-2202.5, Code of Virginia, a special, non-reverting fund* for the awarding of grants for the preservation of ~~archaeological~~ *historical* sites associated with Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC). *Notwithstanding the provisions of § 10.1-2202.5 F, grants from the Fund may be awarded to eligible recipients provided that the grantee provides a perpetual public benefit to be determined by the Director.*

N. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$500,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Alexandria for preservation of the Douglass Memorial Cemetery.

O. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$100,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Richmond for activities undertaken by the Elegba Folklore Society.

P. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$1,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Norfolk for expansion of the Chrysler Museum's Perry Glass Studio.

Q. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$2,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Richmond for capital improvements at the Virginia Museum of History and Culture.

R. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$300,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Richmond for activities undertaken by Preservation Virginia.

S. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$1,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the County of Westmoreland for expanded interpretation at Stratford Hall.

T. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$1,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the County of Richmond for preservation and restoration activities undertaken by the Menokin Foundation.

U. Out of the amounts in this Item, \$1,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of

Richmond for improvements at the Valentine Museum.

V. Out of the amounts in this item, \$6,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the County of Botetourt to support the site acquisition, design and construction of the new Fincastle Museum within the boundaries of the Town of Fincastle *or the County of Botetourt*. As a condition of receiving this amount, the County must provide no less than \$500,000 in local matching funds.

W. Out of the amounts in this item, \$250,000 the first year from the general fund to the County of Nelson to support planning for the development of the Vietnam War and Foreign Conflicts Museum.

X. The Department of Historic Resources is authorized to enter into an agreement with one or more indigenous Virginia tribes to identify and protect their cultural properties and to provide paid internships to students for data collection and outreach activities that expand Virginia's historical property catalogue to include underrepresented indigenous properties. Included within the amounts in this item, \$50,000 in each year from the general fund is provided for paid internships for data collection.

Y. Out of the amounts in this item, \$4,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Alexandria for development of the Senator John Warner Maritime Heritage Center.

Z. Out of the amounts for Financial Assistance for Historic Preservation, \$250,000 the first year from the general fund shall be provided to the City of Staunton as a one-time grant to the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library Foundation to support necessary renovations, accessibility improvements, and educational outreach at the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library.

AA. Out of the amounts in this item, \$500,000 the first year and \$275,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the City of Roanoke for improvements at the Virginia Museum of Transportation.

BB. Out of the amounts in this item, \$100,000 the first year from the general fund to the City of Hopewell to support improvements at Weston Manor.

CC. Out of the amounts in this item, \$25,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Virginia Beach for restoration activities at the Pleasant Ridge School.

DD. Out of the amounts in this item, \$2,000,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Chesapeake to support Phase III projects at the Historic Village at Great Dismal Swamp.

EE. Out of the amounts in this item, \$650,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Chesapeake for preservation activities at the Jolliff Landing Fort site.

FF. Out of the amounts in this item, \$327,840 the first year from the general fund is provided to the County of Campbell for renovations and repairs at the Rosenwald Community Center-Campbell County Training School.

GG. Out of the amounts in this item, \$75,000 the first year from the general fund is provided to the City of Richmond for preservation of Moore Street School.

HH. Out of the amounts in this item, \$200,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the City of Charlottesville for school-based public learning and engagement programs at the Jefferson School African American Heritage Center and the Center for Local Knowledge Programs.

II. Out of the amounts in this item, \$200,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the County of Nelson for renovations to the Nelson Heritage Center.

JJ. Out of the amounts in this item, \$600,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the City of Charlottesville in support of development of a pedestrian bridge and accessible parking area to improve pedestrian access to the Dogwood Veterans Memorial.

KK. Out of the amounts in this item, \$100,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the County of Brunswick for the conservation and restoration of the James Solomon Russell/Saint Paul's College Museum and Archives.

LL. Out of the amounts in this item, \$200,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the County of Fairfax to support preservation efforts of the Gum Springs Museum and Cultural Center. As a condition of receiving this amount, the County must provide no less than \$100,000 in local matching funds.

MM. Out of the amounts in this item, \$310,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the County of Fluvanna for structural repair and stabilization of the historic Fluvanna County Courthouse.

NN. Out of the amounts in this item, \$140,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the Town of Pocahontas for renovation of Pocahontas Cemetery.

OO. Out of the amounts in this item, \$100,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the City of Hopewell to support construction of a welcome center at Weston Manor.

PP. Out of the amounts in this item, \$175,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the County of Greenville for preservation activities at the Greenville County Training School.

QQ. Out of the amounts in this item, \$500,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to the County of Botetourt to support improvements at the Buchanan Theater.

RR. Out of the amounts in this item, \$250,000 the second year from the general fund is provided to assist in the preservation of archaeological evidence in the area known as Smith's Field in the area around James Fort.