

# FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY

DATE: February 2022  
ITEM: Funding Department Report  
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## GRANTS

Our reconsideration on the SBA Shuttered Venues Grant was not only reconfirmed and approved, the SBA determined that we should be awarded an additional \$9,227.00. That should have been deposited to our account this last week

Currently also working on Society for Industrial Archeology Grant.

Also, the new California Museum Grant is due March 11, 2022 and I would like to get an application in. I have been studying the grant requirements and I have some recommendations for projects, but would like to get Board input on which direction to pursue.

The CMG funds projects from \$50,000 to \$500,000. For the Board's information, here are some guidelines for what can be submitted.

All projects must support at least one of the following to be eligible:

- Exhibits
- Educational programs
- Outreach programs
- Public programs
- Curriculum
- Marketing
- Collections care
- Small capital projects

Applicants must select one of the following project types:

1. Program project
2. Capital project
3. Combination project that includes both program and related capital elements
  - For purposes of this program, "capital project" means tangible physical property with an expected useful life of at least 10 years.
  - A capital project may include, but is not limited to, improvement, rehabilitation, restoration, enhancement, preservation, and protection of real (tangible physical) property.

Ineligible projects include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Acquisition of art, artifacts, motor vehicles, or real property
- Payment of a debt or mortgage

- Acquisition of a long-term lease
- Operation and maintenance costs
- Non-historic treatment of historic structures
- Lobbying or lawsuits
- Out-of-state travel or activities
- Hospitality or food costs
- Projects with religious or sectarian purposes
- Cash reserves, endowments, or fundraising activities
- Sub-granting or regranting

I would like to propose the following projects for submission and ask the Board to approve one for the grant:

- Restroom, Drainage and Window Improvements and ADA Upgrades to Diesel Shop - \$300,000
- Roof and Body Restoration using contractors on WP 106 – “Charles O. Sweetwood”- \$300,000
- HVAC replacement, electrical repair and dining area interior restoration plus new exhibits for WP 832 – “Silver Plate” - \$80,000
- Cosmetic restoration using contractors, new access stairs and exhibit upgrade on UP 6946 - \$70,000
- Rebuilding of Display Room with new exhibits, lighting, fire suppression and HVAC - \$70,000

## **YEAR END FUNDRAISER**

We've still been getting a few more donations from the mail out fundraiser. It did very well this year. Largest single donation was \$2,000. Overall, our fundraisers for 2021 beat 2020 by almost \$4,000 and for the first month of 2022 we are almost \$4,000 over January 2021.

## **DONATION LETTERS**

About 90% of the 2021 Donation Thank You / Tax letters are complete and in the mail. The rest will be out this coming week.