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STATE MUSEUM AWARDS GRANTS TO ALASKA MUSEUMS

Twenty-seven museums and historical societies across Alaska will receive funding for important preservation projects from the Alaska State Museum this year, under an appropriation from the Alaska Legislature. The projects range from treating water damaged artifacts from last spring's floods in Eagle to upgrading the storage for photo archives at the Juneau-Douglas City Museum. Five of the grants will bring museum studies interns from various universities to work in small museums in Alaska. The grants range from \$780 to \$8,000 for a total \$105,600. Most requests were to fund improvements in collection storage, conservation projects, exhibit upgrades, and new equipment.

Overall, 33 applicants had requested more than \$160,000 for museum projects around the state. The museums and organizations receiving funds were:

Ahtna Heritage Foundation, Glennallen	conservation supplies	\$1,981
Alaska Museum of Nat. Hist., Anchorage	exhibit upgrades	\$7,315
Alpine Historical Park, Sutton	conservation assessment of exhibits	\$2,000
Alutiiq Museum, Kodiak	exhibit upgrade project	\$7,541
Alaska Moving Image Preservation Association, Anchorage	audio preservation project	\$7,111
Anchorage Museum	internship funding	\$5,120
Bald Eagle Foundation, Haines	internship funding	\$2,000
Baranov Museum, Kodiak	kamleika conservation project	\$7,440
Duncan Cottage Museum, Metlakatla	internship funding	\$5,000
Eagle Historical Society, Eagle	treatment of flood damaged objects	\$2,000
Inupiat Heritage Center, Barrow	support for internship project	\$5,000
Hammer Museum, Haines	collection and display upgrades	\$1,899
Hope and Sunrise Historical Museum, Hope	interpretive sound recordings	\$2,000
Juneau-Douglas City Museum	storage system for photos/ archives	\$5,654
Kenai Visitors Cultural Center	datalogger equipment	\$1,870
Kodiak Maritime Museum	cover for fishing vessel display	\$1,090
Museums Alaska	support for annual meeting	\$5,280
Museum of Transportation & Industry, Palmer	computer equipment	\$2,000
Palmer Museum	storage re-organization project	\$7,865
Pioneer Memorial Park, Fairbanks	enlarge photos for display	\$2,000
Port Alexander Historical. Soc	internship project	\$3,500
Resurrection Bay Hist. Soc., Seward	camcorder for oral history	\$780
Sheldon Museum, Haines	exhibit lighting upgrade	\$5,452
Talkeetna Museum	monitor heaters	\$2,000
Tanana Valley Railroad Museum	develop finding aid	\$2,000
Valdez Museum	exhibit upgrade project	\$8,000
Whittier Museum	security and monitoring equipment	\$1,702

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