



2019 Erie Canalway Grant Program Awards

Six education and recreation projects will launch this year with funding support from Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor. The grants range from \$2,000 to \$7,000 and are leveraging an additional \$178,618 in private and public project support. These grants inspire people to learn more about New York's legendary canal system and further explore the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor.

Buffalo Maritime Center – Governor Dewitt Clinton Erie Canal Packet Boat Interpretive Kiosk

Develop an interactive, interpretive kiosk to build community awareness and provide educational information about the construction of the replica canal packet boat that will be used to celebrate the Bicentennial “Wedding of the Waters”.

Awarded: \$ 7,000

Erie County

Corn Hill Waterfront and Navigation Foundation – Ride & Glide Tour Series

Four *Ride & Glide* tours will include a cruise on the canal boat *Sam Patch* and a bicycle ride along the Erie Canalway Trail. The tours include interpretative materials that highlight canal history and the natural environment.

Awarded: \$ 3,000

Monroe County

Fairport Industrial Development Agency – Fairport Bicentennial Canal Gateway Interpretive Heritage Trail

Assist with pre-development activities for the Heritage Trail/South Bank Enhancements component of the larger Fairport Bicentennial Canal Gateway project. The trail will highlight the growth of Fairport and the Erie Canal and provide improved connectivity with Main Street.

Awarded: \$ 7,000

Monroe County

Rochester Museum & Science Center – Rochester in 1821 Virtual Reality Vignette

Design and install a virtual reality experience within the *Rochester in 1821* exhibition to provide visitors with new insight into the Canal's early history in the Rochester area.

Awarded: \$ 7,000

Monroe County

Rochester Public Library – Erie Canal for the Classroom

Build a comprehensive Erie Canal themed curriculum module for the Library's award-winning *RochesterVoices.org* website.

Awarded: \$ 3,700

Monroe County

Schenectady County Historical Society – Kayak through History

Expand access to recreational and learning opportunities by offering the public guided kayak tours along the Erie Canal/Mohawk River. Tour themes include canal history, geology, and environment.

Awarded: \$ 2,300

Schenectady County