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$8 Million Will Support 32 Tourism-Producing Organizations
Nearly $50 Million in Funding Has Supported Recovery for More Than 1,800 Nonprofits

ANNAPOLIS, MD (December 18, 2020) — Governor Larry Hogan today announced the recipients of 32 awards totaling more than $8 million to tourism-related nonprofits throug Maryland Strong Economic Recovery Initiative. This is part of the more than $600 million in emergency economic relief that the state has announced to date.

The program, administered by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, provides grants up to $500,000 for the state's nonprofit and tourism producin organizations, such as museums, cultural attractions, zoos and aquariums whose mission and work substantially contributes to the economic development and now economic recovery of Maryland communities through visitor-driven activities and programs.

"The COVID-19 pandemic has had a profound impact on many of Maryland's great cultural, educational, and historical institutions," said Governor Hogan. "We're proud to dedica this funding through our Maryland Strong Economic Recovery Initiative to help our nonprofit partners weather this storm and keep Marylanders on their payrolls."

Awardee	County
Adkins Arboretum	Caroline
American Visionary Art Museum Inc.	Baltimore City
Annapolis Maritime Museum & Park	Anne Arundel
Annmarie Sculpture Garden & Arts Center	Calvert
Art Works Now	Prince George's
B&O Railroad Museum	Baltimore City
Babe Ruth Birthplace and Museum	Baltimore City
Baltimore Museum of Art	Baltimore City
Baltimore Museum of Industry	Baltimore City
Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum	Talbot
Creative Alliance	Baltimore City
The Delaplaine Arts Center	Frederick
Discovery Station at Hagerstown, Inc.	Washington
Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, Inc.	Montgomery
Historic Annapolis	Anne Arundel
Historic Ships in Baltimore, Inc.	Baltimore City
Historic Sotterley, Inc.	Saint Mary's
Irvine Nature Center	Baltimore
John W. Brown Liberty Ship	Baltimore City
Maryland Science Center	Baltimore City
The Maryland Zoo in Baltimore	Baltimore City
National Aquarium, Inc.	Baltimore City
The National Great Blacks In Wax Museum, Inc.	Baltimore City
National Museum of Civil War Medicine	Frederick
Poe Baltimore/ The Edgar Allan Poe House & Museum	Baltimore City
Port Discovery Children's Museum	Baltimore City
Pyramid Atlantic Art Center	Prince George's
Salisbury Zoo Commission	Wicomico
VisArts	Montgomery
The Walters Art Museum	Baltimore City
Ward Foundation, Inc.	Wicomico
Western Maryland Scenic Railroad	Allegany

In addition to the nonprofit tourism awards, the Maryland Strong Economic Recovery Initiative will also provide $35 million in funding to entertainment venues and Main Street communities impacted by the pandemic. Applications for those programs are currently being reviewed and awards are expected to be finalized by the end of the year.

Today's announcement comes after more than $40 million in awards were previously made through the Maryland Nonprofit Recovery Initiative to more than 1,800 nonprofit organizations across the state. The Maryland Nonprofit Recovery Initiative provided grants of up to $75,000 to nonprofits affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. These nonprofits employ thousands of staff members and are focused on economic development, heath, human services and housing.

"These initiatives are yet another example of collaboration and cooperation between state agencies that has served as the foundation for Maryland's nationally-recognized pande response and recovery efforts," said Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development Secretary Kenneth C. Holt. "Working together we are sustaining a wide rang nonprofit organizations that directly serve Marylanders and provide everything from meal assistance to emergency housing to health services, as well as providing funding to hel entertainment venues, tourist attractions, and Main Street businesses rebound from these current economic challenges."

Launched earlier this year, the Maryland Nonprofit Recovery Initiative (NORI) is supported by multiple state agencies and provides assistance to nonprofit organizations whose o operations have been financially impacted by COVID-19. Through the NORI grant opportunities offered by the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development, t Maryland Department of Commerce, and the Maryland State Arts Council, a wide range of nonprofit organizations have received critical funding, including nonprofits licensed by Maryland Behavioral Health Administration and the Developmental Disabilities Administration.

"With help from the Maryland Nonprofit Recovery Initiative, our agency provided financial assistance to hundreds of applicants that were negatively impacted by the ongoing pan —from 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(6) nonprofits, to independent artists and arts organizations," said Maryland Commerce Secretary Kelly M. Schulz. "We thank the Maryland Departme Housing and Community Development for their partnership in supporting the state's business community and economy during this time."

Learn more about the Maryland Nonprofit Recovery Initiative here.

Learn more about the Maryland Strong Economic Recovery Initiative here.

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