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The American Sign Museum receives Ohio Arts Economic Relief Grant

Cincinnati, OH – The American Sign Museum has received \$126,723.70 from the Ohio Arts Economic Relief Grant Program. The funds received from the state will benefit the American Sign Museum's continued COVID recovery, defraying the Museum's operating expenses while continuing to rebuild its programming to pre-COVID levels.

"Thank you to Governor DeWine and the state of Ohio for supporting the Museum with this grant. We appreciate the state's support of the Museum's continued economic recovery," said Museum Director Cindy Kearns. "The American Sign Museum is a singular organization, with the largest and most comprehensive collection of signs and artifacts in the country. The American Sign Museum will cement Cincinnati and Camp Washington as the historic signage center for the United States."

Governor DeWine, Lt. Governor Jon Husted, and the Ohio Department of Development announced more than \$23 million in support for arts organizations in Ohio. The funds are being awarded as part of the first round of the Ohio Arts Economic Relief Grant Program. A total of 139 organizations based in 35 counties are receiving grants- 21 of those organizations are in Hamilton County.

"Ohio's arts communities are an integral part of why Ohio stands out as a great place to live and a great place to visit," said Governor DeWine. "These grants will help ensure that communities continue to have access to the programming and learning experiences Ohioans love."

To learn more about the Ohio Arts Economic Relief Grant Program click here.

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About the American Sign Museum

The American Sign Museum covers more than 100 years of American sign history and displays more than 700 signs and artifacts, making it the most comprehensive museum of its kind. With a mission to educate the community about the history of the sign industry and its significant contribution to commerce and the American landscape, the Museum is organized to preserve, archive and display a historical collection of signs in their many types and forms.

The building features 19,000+ square feet of exhibit space, 28-foot ceilings able to accommodate sizable outdoor signs, a working neon shop, flexible event space, and an extensive archive of books, photos and documents reflecting the art, craft and history of signmaking.

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For more information about the American Sign Museum, please visit americansignmuseum.org. The American Sign Museum is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit corporation.