



# HUMANITIES KANSAS

Stewardship Report for the Honorable Ron Estes

Congressional District 4, Kansas

Report Dates: FY 20 District 4 Stewardship (November 1, 2019 - October 31, 2020)

Number of Public Events: 81

Council Funding: \$165,496.50

CARES Act Funding: \$88,610

Attendees: 63,542

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Humanities Kansas is a non-profit that connects communities with history, traditions, and ideas to strengthen civic life.

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The **Culture Preservation and Humanities For All Grants** support unique, one-of-a-kind community-created programs that engage Kansans in opportunities to examine our history, heritage, traditions, literature, civics, values, and other human experiences.

Arkansas City	<b>Arkansas City Area Arts Council</b> "Virtual Burford Theatre" A series of social media events from the Burford Theatre to engage the community, including an online discussion of music history in Kansas, a tour of the historic theatre, and an interactive online humanities contest.	\$1,000
Medicine Lodge	<b>Medicine Lodge Peace Treaty Association</b> "Memorial Timeline Historical Visitors Center" An outdoor historical exhibition in Memorial Peace Park in Medicine Lodge. The timeline includes a variety of topics, including local histories of the Cheyenne and Kiowa Nations, the Medicine Valley Bank Robbery of 1884, and stories of famous cowgirl Fox Hastings and abolitionist and namesake of Barber County, Thomas Barber.	\$8,937
Wichita	<b>Harvester Arts</b> "Beyond: Wichita Podcast" A storytelling podcast that searches for common ground among Wichitans.	\$1,000
Wichita	<b>Kansas Public Telecommunications Service</b> "Historic Buildings of Kansas Film" One-hour documentary that celebrates ten iconic buildings that help define the Kansas experience and landscape.	\$10,000
Wichita	<b>Museum of World Treasures</b> "Digital Exhibition 'History from Home'" A crowdsourced digital online exhibition featuring photos and stories of historical items people have in their homes.	\$1,000
Wichita	<b>Storytime Village, Inc.</b> "Encouraging Culture Through Storytelling: Creating Community Through Children's Literature" Series of workshops, community events, and television spots to teach Wichitans to become storytellers and stories to capture community knowledge, explore diversity, foster communication, and strengthen intergenerational ties.	\$10,000

Wichita	<b>Wichita State University</b> "Ulrich + Artists + You Community Billboard Project" Series of virtual artist talks, lectures, and book discussions to support the city-wide exhibit, Ulrich + Artists + You Community Billboard Project. Themes of heroism and leadership, identity and family, politics and religion, and the routines of everyday life were featured on 20 billboards throughout Wichita.	\$10,000
Winfield	<b>Legacy, A Regional Community Foundation</b> "Beauty in a Broken World: A Short Film in Four Acts" A series of four short films that weave together into a documentary about the history and culture of the Bartlett Arboretum and the lessons we can learn from it during the COVID-19 pandemic.	\$1,000

**Speakers Bureau Community Resource Funds** support Kansas history presentations and discussions and are available for use statewide.

Arkansas City	<b>Arkansas City Area Arts Council</b> "Poet Laureate of Kansas: May Our Voices Ring True" by Huascar Medina	\$300
Augusta	<b>Augusta Public Library</b> "Kansas Legends and Folktales" by Jim Hoy	\$300
Clearwater	<b>Clearwater Public Library</b> "Grimm for Grownups" by Priscilla Howe	\$300
El Dorado	<b>Bradford Memorial Library</b> "Head 'Em Up & Move 'Em Out" by Jim Gray	\$300
El Dorado	<b>Butler Community College, Community Advancement</b> "Railroaded: The Industry That Shaped Kansas" by Leo E. Oliva	\$500
Greensburg	<b>5.4.7 Arts Center</b> "Spectacular Failures: Changing the Way You Think About Failure" by Erika Nelson	\$300
Hesston	<b>Hesston Public Library</b> "Head 'Em Up & Move 'Em Out" by Jim Gray	\$300
Kechi	<b>Kansas Authors Club</b> "Online Program - Children of the Promised Land" by Angela O. Bates	\$250
Kechi	<b>Kansas Authors Club</b> "Online Program - Poet Laureate of Kansas: May Our Voices Ring True" by Huascar Medina	\$250
Kechi	<b>Kansas Authors Club</b> "Online Program - They Changed My Name/Cambiaron Mi Nombre" by José Faus	\$250
Kinsley	<b>Kinsley Public Library</b> "Politics on the Platform: Woman Suffrage at the Chautauqua" by Sarah Bell	\$500
Kinsley	<b>Kinsley Public Library</b> "The Long Road to Women's Suffrage in Kansas" by Diane Eickhoff	\$500
Newton	<b>Harvey County Historical Museum &amp; Archives</b> "Politics on the Platform: Woman Suffrage at the Chautauqua" by Sarah Bell	\$300
Newton	<b>Newton Public Library</b> "Online Program - Kansas Legends and Folktales" by Jim Hoy	\$250

Newton	<b>Newton Public Library</b> "Online Program - Moment by Moment: Family History Writing Workshop" by Kim Stanley	\$250
Pratt	<b>Pratt Public Library</b> "Poet Laureate of Kansas: May Our Voices Ring True" by Huascar Medina	\$500
Stafford	<b>Stafford County Historical &amp; Genealogical Society</b> "William Allen White and the KKK in Kansas: "A Real American Goes Hunting"" by Beverley Olson Buller	\$300
Wellington	<b>Sumner County Historical &amp; Genealogical Society</b> "Moment by Moment: Family History Writing Workshop" by Kim Stanley	\$300
Wichita	<b>Chisholm Trail Seniors</b> "Tasting the Past: Exploring Kansas Food Memories" by Louise Hanson	\$300
Wichita	<b>Wichita Genealogical Society</b> "The Kansas City Monarchs in Our Hometown" by Phil S. Dixon	\$500
Wichita	<b>Wichita Public Library Foundation</b> "Online Program - William Allen White and the KKK in Kansas: "A Real American Goes Hunting" " by Beverley Olson Buller	\$250
Wichita	<b>Wichita Public Library Foundation</b> "Tasting the Past: Exploring Kansas Food Memories" by Louise Hanson	\$300
Wichita	<b>Wichita State University Continuing Education</b> "Online Program - Women Wonderworkers: The Self-Made Worlds of Visionary Female Artists" by Erika Nelson	\$250
Wichita	<b>Wichita State University Continuing Education</b> "The Dockum Drugstore Sit-In" by Prisca Barnes	\$300
Wichita	<b>Wichita-Sedgwick County Historical Museum</b> "Foam on the Range" by Isaias McCaffery	\$500
Winfield	<b>Sunflower Outreach Service</b> "Kansas Legends and Folktales" by Jim Hoy	\$300
Winfield	<b>Winfield Public Library</b> "Online Program - The Dockum Drugstore Sit-In" by Prisca Barnes	\$250
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Winfield	<b>Winfield Public Library</b> "The Long Road to Women's Suffrage in Kansas" by Diane Eickhoff	\$500

**Talk About Literature in Kansas Community Resource Funds** support book discussions on topics relevant to Kansans and are available for use statewide.

Augusta	<b>Augusta Public Library</b> "On the Lighter Side" <i>Quite a Year for Plums</i> by Bailey White presented by Valerie Brown-Kuchera <i>Standing in the Rainbow</i> by Fannie Flagg presented by Michaeline Chance-Reay <i>Walking Across Egypt</i> by Clyde Edgerton presented by Nicolas Shump	\$1,100
Augusta	<b>Augusta Public Library</b> "The Modern Family" <i>LaRose</i> by Louise Erdrich presented by Deborah E. Peterson	\$900
El Dorado	<b>Butler Community College Libraries &amp; Archives</b> "On the Lighter Side" <i>Standing in the Rainbow</i> by Fannie Flagg presented by Michaeline Chance-Reay	\$1,100

El Dorado	<b>Butler Community College Libraries &amp; Archives</b> "Women Around the World" <i>Like Water for Chocolate</i> by Laura Esquivel presented by Martha Ortiz Sanchez <i>So Long a Letter</i> by Mariama Ba presented by Nicolas Shump <i>The Country Girls Trilogy</i> by Edna O'Brien presented by Miranda Ericsson Kendall	\$900
Haysville	<b>Haysville Friends of the Library</b> "African Experiences of Migration" <i>Open City: A Novel</i> by Teju Cole presented by Carmaletta M. Williams <i>The Beautiful Things that Heaven Bears</i> by Dinaw Mengestu presented by Deborah E. Peterson <i>What Is the What</i> by Dave Eggers presented by Deborah E. Peterson, Trish Reeves, Carmaletta M. Williams	\$1,100
Kinsley	<b>Kinsley Public Library</b> "It's a Hard Knock Life" <i>Orphan Train</i> by Baker Kline presented by Galen Boehme <i>The Chaperone</i> by Laura Moriarty presented by Valerie Brown-Kuchera <i>The Light Between Oceans</i> by M.L Stedman presented by Miranda Ericsson Kendall	\$1,100
Kinsley	<b>Kinsley Public Library</b> "Wit and Grit: Women Characters in Contemporary Fiction" <i>A Piece of the World</i> by Christina Baker Kline presented by Ann Birney <i>The Farming of Bones</i> by Edwidge Danticat presented by Annette Hope Billings <i>The Underground Railroad</i> by Colson Whitehead presented by Valerie Brown-Kuchera	\$1,300
Newton	<b>Newton Public Library</b> "Ghost Stories" <i>The Graveyard Book</i> by Neil Gaiman presented by Miranda Ericsson Kendall <i>The Haunting of Hill House</i> by Shirley Jackson presented by Kim Stanley <i>The Woman in Black</i> by Susan Hill presented by Kevin J. Rabas	\$900
Newton	<b>Newton Public Library</b> "Online Program - Dearly Beloved" <i>Online Program - Being Mortal: Medicine and What Matters in the End</i> by Atul Gawande presented by Dennis Etzel Jr. <i>Online Program - Can't We Talk About Something More Pleasant?</i> by Roz Chast presented by Miranda Ericsson Kendall <i>Online Program - Medicine Walk</i> by Richard Wagamese presented by Kevin J. Rabas	\$750
Pratt	<b>Pratt Public Library</b> "The 1930s" <i>All the King's Men</i> by Robert Penn Warren presented by Sandra Wiechert <i>The Day of the Locust</i> by Nathanael West presented by William Clyde Brown <i>The Worst Hard Time</i> by Timothy Egan presented by Rosemary Kolich	\$1,300
Valley Center	<b>Valley Center Public Library</b> "That's Funny: Books That Make Us Laugh" <i>I'm a Stranger Here Myself</i> by Bill Bryson presented by Marilyn E. Klaus	\$1,300
<b>Museum on Main Street</b> is a partnership between the Smithsonian Institution and the Humanities Kansas to provide traveling national exhibitions to small town Kansas.		
Greensburg	<b>5.4.7 Arts Center</b> "Crossroads: Change in Rural America"	\$2,000
North Newton	<b>Kauffman Museum</b> "Crossroads: Change in Rural America"	\$2,000
<b>CARES Act Relief Grants</b> supported Kansas cultural organizations experiencing distress due to the Covid-19 pandemic.		
Caldwell	<b>Caldwell Public Library</b>	\$3,836
Goddard	<b>Goddard Public Library</b>	\$7,500
Hesston	<b>Dyck Arboretum of the Plains</b>	\$3,750

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Kingman	<b>Kingman County Historical Society</b>	\$400
North Newton	<b>Kauffman Museum</b>	\$7,988
Sedan	<b>Emmett Kelly Museum</b>	\$1,977
Wichita	<b>Kansas African American Museum</b>	\$15,000
Wichita	<b>Kansas Aviation Museum</b>	\$4,125
Wichita	<b>KMUW Wichita Public Radio</b>	\$9,716
Wichita	<b>mamafilm</b>	\$2,875
Wichita	<b>Mid-America All-Indian Center</b>	\$10,000
Wichita	<b>Museum of World Treasures</b>	\$3,345
Wichita	<b>Storytime Village, Inc.</b>	\$7,416

**Special Projects** are HK initiatives or one-time projects that involve unique collaborations designed for special opportunities.

Topeka	<b>Humanities Kansas</b> "Big Idea 2020" Essays and online discussions from humanities scholars highlighting fresh scholarship in American history, literature, and culture.	\$3,500
Topeka	<b>Humanities Kansas</b> "Break for Ideas" Online presentations and discussions about rural topics inspired by the "Crossroads: Change in Rural America" initiative.	\$600
Topeka	<b>Humanities Kansas</b> "Humanities Hotline" A toll-free phone hotline featuring short stories about Kansas history, literature, and ideas presented by humanities experts from across the state.	\$900
Topeka	<b>Humanities Kansas</b> "Story Chasers" An online Instagram project to crowdsource microstories about 21st century Kansas and Kansans.	\$128
Kinsley	<b>Kinsley Public Library</b> "Ad Astra: Working Hard in Edwards County"	\$3,500
Wichita	<b>The Kansas African American Museum</b> "Say My Name: Exploration of African American Identity"	\$10,000