MEMORANDUM

To: Joint Fiscal Committee members
From: Sorsha Anderson, Senior Staff Associate
Date: June 29, 2022
Subject: Grant Request – JFO #3100

Enclosed please find one (1) item, which the Joint Fiscal Office has received from the Administration. This request is being held for the Joint Fiscal Committee meeting planned for July 28, 2022.

**JFO #3100** – $25,000 to the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, Vermont Division for Historic Preservation from the Sunshine Lady Humanitarian Grants Program for the operations of the Vermont 250th Anniversary Commission’s public outreach efforts in preparation for the commemorative activities, educational programming and events planned between 2025-2027. **[NOTE: Donation is matched by FY22 general funds in FY22 ACCD budget.]**

[Received June 23, 2022]

Please review the enclosed materials and notify the Joint Fiscal Office (Sorsha Anderson: sanderson@leg.state.vt.us) if you have questions prior to the upcoming JFC meeting.
INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: SECRETARY KRISTIN L. CLOUSER AND CATHERINE BENHAM
FROM: LAURA V. TRIESCHMANN, SHPO
SUBJECT: AA-1 FOR DONATION TO VERMONT 250TH COMMISSION
DATE: DECEMBER 28, 2021
CC: JASON ARONOWITZ, CHRISTOPER BANING

The Vermont Division for Historic Preservation, located within the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, received as donation from the Sunshine Lady Humanitarian Grants Program Inc. This $25,000 donation is intended for the Vermont 250th Commission’s public outreach efforts for 2022 as we prepare for the commemorative activities, educational programming and events between the years 2025 and 2027.

These funds will support community engagement, focus groups, restorative justice circles, and the production of an introductory presentation outlining the efforts of past anniversaries, mission and goals of the commission, and setting up the outreach to hear how and why Vermonters wish to commemorate the events of the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, and founding of Vermont. Additionally, this funding shall assist in the preparation of community toolkits that include materials to direct marketing, event planning, local fundraising, and local community engagement.

The donation is matched by general funds in the FY22 budget for ACCD (depid 71110892107) intended for the operations of the Vermont 250th Anniversary Commission. The commission was created in December 2020 by Executive Order 6-20.
STATE OF VERMONT
FINANCE & MANAGEMENT GRANT REVIEW FORM

Grant Summary: To augment the initial $25,000 General Fund appropriated in Act 74 Sec. C.100(a)(3) for the Vermont 250th anniversary celebration.

Date: 5/27/2022

Department: ACCD - HCD

Legal Title of Grant: VT250 Commission Outreach 2021

Federal Catalog #: N/A

Grant/Donor Name and Address: Sunshine Lady Humanitarian Grants Program Inc.
292 Newbury Street
Suite 503
Boston, MA 02115

Grant Period: From 12/27/2021 To 12/27/2023

Grant/Donation $25,000.00

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Grant Amount: $25,000.00

Position Information: # Positions Explanation/Comments
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Additional Comments: No award letter; donation received 12/27/2021. Grant acceptance request was held by ACCD for internal discussion.

Department of Finance & Management
Secretary of Administration
Sent To Joint Fiscal Office

Adam (Initial)
(Initial)

Anna

Date

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STATE OF VERMONT REQUEST FOR GRANT (*) ACCEPTANCE  (Form AA-1)

BASIC GRANT INFORMATION

1. Agency: Commerce and Community Development
2. Department: Housing and Community Development
3. Program: Division for Historic Preservation (250th Anniversary Commission)
4. Legal Title of Grant: VT250 Commission Outreach 2021
5. Federal Catalog #: NA

6. Grant/Donor Name and Address:
   Sunshine Lady Humanitarian Grants Program Inc.
   292 Newbury Street
   Suite 503
   Boston, MA 02115


8. Purpose of Grant:
The donation from the Sunshine Lady Humanitarian Grants Program Inc. are funds to match and augment the initial $25,000 from the State of Vermont for the community outreach efforts of the Vermont 250th Anniversary Commission. These funds will support community engagement, focus groups, restorative justice circles, and the production of an introductory presentation outlining the efforts of past anniversaries, mission and goals of the commission, and setting up the outreach to hear how and why Vermonters wish to commemorate the events of the American Revolution, Declaration of Independence, and founding of Vermont. Additionally, this funding shall assist in the preparation of community toolkits that include materials to direct marketing, event planning, local fundraising, and local community engagement.

9. Impact on existing program if grant is not Accepted:
   This funding ensures the outreach efforts of the commission, which should not plan events or educational programming without community collaboration. The outreach, including the community toolkits, shall be delayed until another funding source is identified. With the pending anniversary arriving in 2025, planning must begin in 2022 to engage and listen to Vermonters.

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**PERSONAL SERVICE INFORMATION**

11. Will monies from this grant be used to fund one or more Personal Service Contracts? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If "Yes", appointing authority must initial here to indicate if follow current competitive bidding process/policy.

Appointing Authority Name: Alex Farrell  Agreed by: ______________ (initial)

12. Limited Service Position Information:

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**Total Positions**

12a. Equipment and space for these positions: ☐ Is presently available. ☐ Can be obtained with available funds.

**13. AUTHORIZATION AGENCY/DEPARTMENT**

I/we certify that no funds beyond basic application preparation and filing costs have been expended or committed in anticipation of Joint Fiscal Committee approval of this grant, unless previous notification was made on Form AA-IPN (if applicable):

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Title: State Historic Preservation Officer

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Title: Deputy Commissioner, Housing and Community Development

**14. SECRETARY OF ADMINISTRATION**

[Secretary or designee signature]

| Date: | 6/20/22 |

**15. ACTION BY GOVERNOR**

Check One Box:

☒ Accepted

☐ Rejected

Date: 6/20/22
### 16. DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED

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(*) The term "grant" refers to any grant, gift, loan, or any sum of money or thing of value to be accepted by any agency, department, commission, board, or other part of state government (see 32 V.S.A. §5).
Account Name: SUNSHINE LADY
Account Number:
VT250CommissionOutreach202
Subscriber Name: SUNSHINE LADY HUMANITARIAN GRANTS PROGRAM INC
Amount: 25000.00
Date 12/27/2021
Total $25000.00

Pay to the order of VERMONT DIVISION FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION
**$25000.00

First Republic Bank
It's a privilege to serve you
Signature on file - account holder has pre-approved this check
Void After 90 Days

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EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

EXECUTIVE ORDER No. 06-20
(Creation of the Vermont 250th Anniversary Commission)

WHEREAS, the year 2026 marks the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence and the formation of the United States of America; and

WHEREAS, for the duration of the American Revolutionary War, between 1775 and 1783, Vermonters played a significant role in the Colonists’ assertion for independence from Great Britain; and

WHEREAS, the successful assault by Vermont’s Green Mountain Boys, under Ethan Allen at Fort Ticonderoga in May 1775, has been called the first offensive action by American forces during the Revolution; and

WHEREAS, the Battle of Valcour Island, considered the first naval battle of the Revolutionary War, was fought in October 1776 on Lake Champlain with Benedict Arnold commanding the American forces; and

WHEREAS, the extensive fortification of Mount Independence in Orwell was one of the largest American-built garrisons of the Revolutionary War, constructed in 1776-1777 to defend New England from the British; and

WHEREAS, the Battle of Hubbardton, fought on July 7, 1777, was the only Revolutionary War battle fought entirely on the soil of what would become the State of Vermont; although a British tactical victory, it was one of the most successful rear-guard actions in American history; and

WHEREAS, in August 1777, at the Battle of Bennington, Vermont troops helped defeat a British force, setting up victories at the Battles of Saratoga that are considered together to be a turning point of the war in favor of the Americans; and

WHEREAS, some historic places in Vermont related to our nation’s fight for independence are designated as State-owned Historic Sites, including Hubbardton Battlefield, Mount Independence, and Bennington Battle Monument; and

WHEREAS, Vermonters and Vermont’s communities, cultural institutions, historical societies, and state and local governments are proud partners in the remembrance of the events of the American Revolutionary War and those who fought so bravely for our country’s independence; and
WHEREAS, to observe this momentous anniversary, the U.S. Congress established the U.S. Semiquincentennial Commission to encourage Americans to remember our past, celebrate the present, and look forward to a promising future.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I, Philip B. Scott, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Governor, do hereby order as follows:

1. The Vermont 250th Anniversary Commission is hereby established to plan, encourage, develop, coordinate, and promote observances and activities to be held in Vermont in commemoration of the historic events that preceded and are associated with the 250th anniversary of the American Revolution in the State of Vermont, in celebration of our present and in anticipation of the promising future of our State.

2. The Vermont 250th Anniversary Commission shall be comprised of not more than 14 members to include the Commissioner of the Vermont Department of Tourism and Marketing; the State Historic Preservation Officer; the State Librarian; a representative of the Vermont Historical Society to be selected by their Board of Directors; a representative from the University of Vermont appointed by the UVM President; and nine members shall be appointed by the Governor representative of the geographic and racial diversity of the State, to include a Revolutionary War historian; a member of a Revolutionary War reenactment group; a representative of the Vermont Commission on Native American Affairs; and a representative of a Vermont history museum. The State Historic Preservation Officer shall serve as the Chair.

   The Chair shall call the first meeting of the Commission to occur on or before March 1, 2021. The Commission shall meet at least quarterly.

3. The Commission shall coordinate, review, and promote programs and activities throughout the state relating to the American Revolutionary War, in particular Vermont's involvement therein, to deepen the knowledge and understanding of this formative period of American history and how it has shaped and continues to shape who we are as a people, a state and a nation.

4. The Commission may choose to designate one or more nonprofit entities for the purposes of soliciting and accepting private donations and public funds, grants, and donations in order to carry out the purposes of this Commission. Donated funds designated for this purpose shall only be disbursed upon recommendation by a majority of the Commission and finally approved by the Chair.

5. The Commission shall have the administrative, technical and legal support of the Agency of Commerce and Community Development, and assistance, as needed, of other State agencies and departments, boards, and commissions.
6. To the extent funding is available, each member of the Commission shall be entitled to per diem compensation pursuant to 32 V.S.A. § 1010.

This Executive Order shall take effect upon execution and expire on December 31, 2027 unless extended by the Governor.

WITNESS my name hereunto subscribed and the Great Seal of the State of Vermont hereunto affixed at Montpelier this 15th day of December, 2020.

Philip B. Scott
Governor

By the Governor:

Brittney L. Wilson
Secretary of Civil and Military Affairs

Executive Order No. 06-20

Dated: December 15, 2020