

Hometown Humanities Request for Proposals

South Carolina Humanities seeks proposals from interested nonprofit organizations or institutions designed to highlight an interesting aspect of a community's local history or culture. Applicants for this grant opportunity are required to partner with at least one, and preferably more, cultural or educational organizations in their community.

Humanities programs are always most successful when they have the support of a wide variety of organizations and people. Partnership-building is an important aspect of the "Hometown Humanities" model, and SC Humanities hopes to stimulate new partnerships or solidify existing partnerships between libraries, museums, historical societies, and educational institutions by supporting "Hometown Humanities" projects around the state.

"Hometown Humanities" projects can embody any humanities discipline (history; literature; languages; linguistics; philosophy; ethics; comparative religion; anthropology; historical, critical and theoretical approaches to the arts) and should investigate a topic that is of special interest to or unique to the local community.

Through "Hometown Humanities" grants, SC Humanities hopes to support the particular cultural interests of a South Carolina community, using the capacity of the humanities to enrich lives, foster inquiry, stimulate discussion, and strengthen local cultural infrastructure.

SC Humanities will not set aside specific grant dollars to applicants who submit proposals under the rubric of this request; applicants will be in the normal competitive pool for review. However, priority will be given to proposals that use strong partnerships to illuminate interesting local history and culture.

The Guidelines and Application for this RFP can be found on SC Humanities website at www.schumanities.org. Staff will be happy to work with you on draft ideas related to this request. Please contact the Assistant Director, Theresa (T.J.) Wallace, at tjwallace@schumanities.org or 803-771-2477, for more information.