



A Federal View of Museum Trends

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I met ISEA in
the teen
years!



About IMLS

Who are we?

- IMLS is an independent federal grant-making agency and the primary source of federal support for the nation's libraries and museums.
- IMLS helps ensure that all Americans have access to museum, library, and information services.

What do we do?

- We make **grants**, **convene groups**, **conduct research**, and **publish** in order to build the capacity of museums and libraries to serve the public.





IMLS Museum Grant Program Reach

Six OMS programs

- Museums for America
- Inspire! Grants for Small Museums
- National Leadership Grants for Museums
- Museums Empowered
- Museum Grants for African American History and Culture
- Native American and Native Hawaiian Museum Services

253
awards

\$38.7
million



IMLS Museum Grant Programs

Museums for America

Helping museums advance their missions

Awards of \$5,000-\$250,000

Museums Empowered

Special Initiative to support professional development

Awards of \$5,000-\$250,000

Inspire!

Special Initiative for small museums

Awards of \$5,000-\$50,000

1:1 Cost Share Required



IMLS Museum Grant Programs

National Leadership Grants

Projects to Advance the Field

Awards of \$5,000-\$750,000

African American History & Culture Grants

Supports the advancement of AA museums

Awards of \$5,000-\$250,000

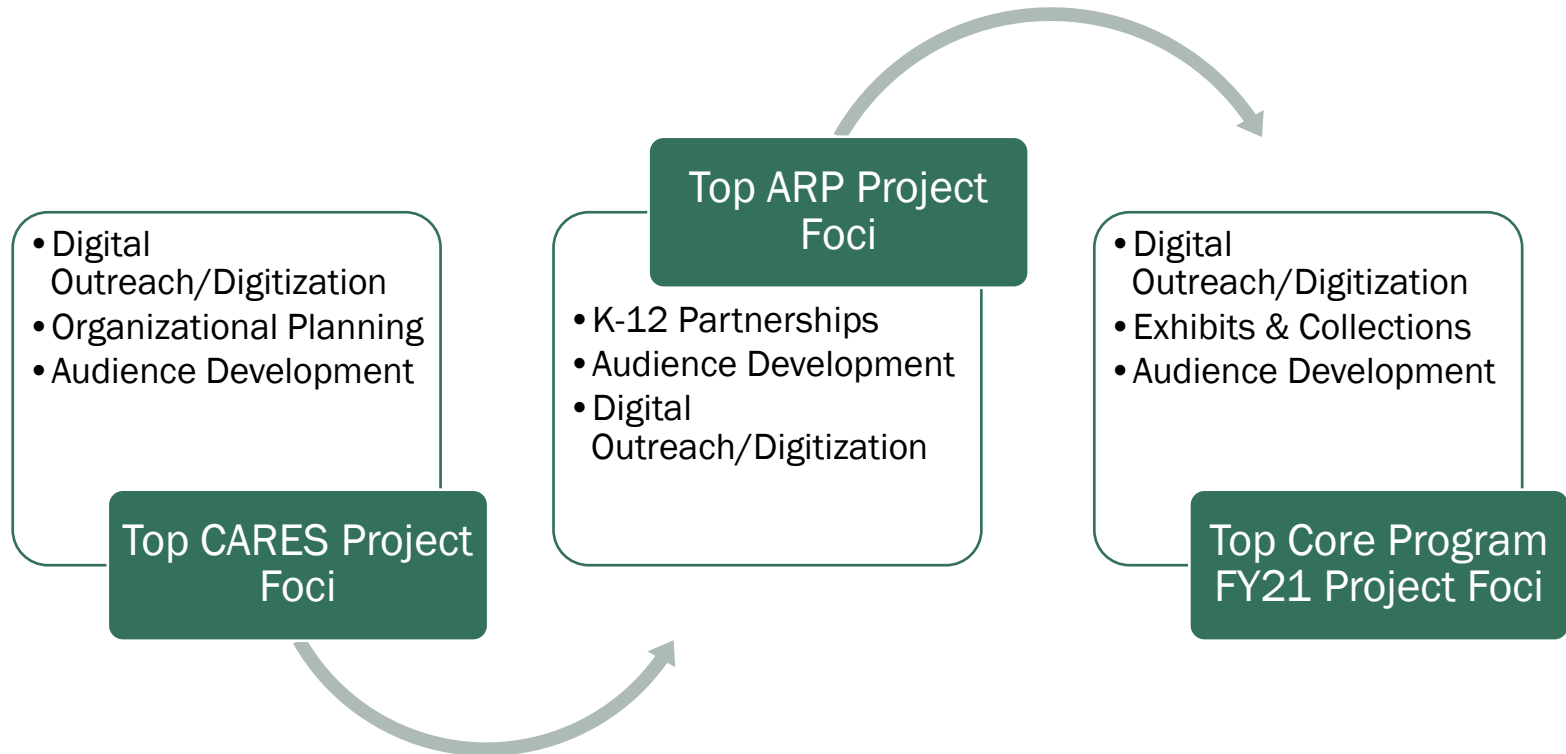
Native American/Native Hawaiian Grants

Supports tribal entities and Native Hawaiian-centered programs

Awards of \$5,000-\$100,000

1:1 Cost Share Required in Some Categories

Field Trends from IMLS Grantmaking





Relevant Federal Priorities

Equity

Information
Literacy

Climate
Literacy

Environmental
Justice



How YOU can contribute

- New solicitations will be released summer 2022, November 2022 deadline.
- Become a reviewer or panelist!

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