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Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area announces FY17 mini-grant awards

Frederick, MD - The Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area (HCWHA), a certified heritage area encompassing parts of Carroll, Frederick and Washington counties, announces \$10,000 in mini-grant awards to nine local nonprofit organizations:

- **C&O Canal Trust:** \$928 for a brochure to encourage visits to the historic Canal Towns and C&O Canal NHP
- City of Hagerstown: \$500 for a brochure on Hagerstown's role in World War I
- **City of Westminster:** \$1,425 for a brochure highlighting Carroll County's railroad history
- Community Fund of Carroll County Corbit's Charge Anniversary Committee: \$1,267 for Corbit's Charge commemorations
- Francis Scott Key Memorial Foundation: \$1,500 for interpretive wayside panel on Barbara Fritchie at Mount Olivet Cemetery
- **Historical Society of Frederick County:** \$1,280 for Hands on History program cards for children
- The Tourism Council of Frederick County: \$1,500 for Maryland's Heart of the Civil War DVDs and accompanying programs
- Washington County Historical Society: \$1,100 for evaluating interpretation at Miller House Museum
- Weinberg Center for the Arts: \$500 for rack card promoting 90th anniversary

The grants range between \$500 and \$2,500 and are intended to develop new and innovative programs, partnerships, exhibits, tours, events, and other heritage tourism-related initiatives that are consistent with the goals and priorities stated in the HCWHA management plan (available at heartofthecivilwar.org). Grant-funded projects must take place within the geographic boundaries of the heritage area. The total investment in these projects is \$32,539.

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