

2019 Volunteer Museum Project Development Grant - Recipients

Recipient	Project Name	Summary	Amount Awarded
Braidwood Museum	Back to Braidwood	<p>To extend the list of traditional owners, Work with Dr Lorina Barker to establish locally relevant methodologies for recording Indigenous oral histories based on her work recording the Songlines of northwest NSW; Establish appropriate release forms based on local protocols and community desires; Establish a keeping place for local Indigenous oral histories, and access restrictions and opportunities; Our preliminary research has established that recording information relevant to the local Songlines has been identified as a priority area, work would be conducted openly, and with the interests of the local Elders and their descendants with the intention to include areas of interest for community today; We will seek guidance as to what areas to avoid through working with Dr Barker who will share her methodology with us; Establish a working group to carry out the oral history recordings; Working group attends the Willoughby family reunion to deliver on the recording of the oral history recordings and iron out any difficulties. We have received an informal invitation to attend the Brown family reunion, also descendants from the local area, to either conduct oral history recordings or to provide the methodology;</p>	\$7,466.00

Condobolin Museum	Assessing the Significance and Preservation Needs of Condobolin Museum's Collection	To obtain an appropriate professional assessment of the significance of the museum's collection so that volunteers, the wider community and visitors appreciate its historical value and opportunities. To plan and initiate a program of preservation procedures for all categories of the museum's collection.	\$4,400.00
Narrandera Parkside Cottage Museum	Collection Preservation Needs Assessment	The project involves commissioning a Preservation Needs Assessment for the Narrandera Parkside Cottage Museum using the services of Consultant Ms Tegan Anthes.	\$6,150.00
New Italy Museum	2019 New Italy Museums Significance Assessment	New Italy Museums group wishes to engage Museum consultant, Joan Kelly, to revise and extend its Significance Assessment of the Collection in light of the many objects that have been acquired in recent years. It was in 2006 that Jenny Skillen did the initial Assessment at New Italy Museum. Since then any items have been added to the collection. The most significant of these have been since late 2016 when the New Italy Museum upgrade commenced. This important upgrade is seen by many as professional and dedicated to the clear representation of New Italy's extraordinary story. In turn this work has been appreciated by New Italy expedition and descendant families, prompting the donation of treasured possessions with strong provenance to the New Italy story. These include items related to the 1880s ill-fated Marquis de Rays expedition from Europe to Australia as well as significant domestic and industrial objects made and used in the early settlement at New Italy. This influx to the collection displays an appreciation and trust by families in our abilities to work respectfully, responsibly and effectively with items that help narrate an important aspect of Australia's settler history.	\$5,040.00

Riversdale House Museum	Riversdale - Goulburn 200 years Exhibition	<p>This project is to develop an exhibition for Goulburn's 200th and the National Trust's 75th anniversaries.</p> <p>The proposed exhibition will offer highly relevant community programs at the property (by and for the community) under the broader objectives of the Goulburn 200th commemoration in 2020 (which will include content from pre-European settlement and recognition of local Aboriginal peoples).</p> <p>The Riversdale exhibition is a unique opportunity to display rare objects for the first time, from Trust collections, loans and facsimiles from State archives of maps, Surveyor's Journals, documents, etc.</p> <p>In addition, the Trust is currently developing a series of public programs to complement the exhibition, enhance educational opportunities and facilitate community participation, within the auspices of the 'Goulburn 2020' commemoration.</p>	\$4,224.72
Yass & District Museum	Strategy Plan - YDHS	<p>We have a very enthusiastic, energetic and skilled committee who power through a considerable amount of historical research and other related tasks. However, the danger for the organisation is that at times we get swamped with the immediate and the present and lose sight of the medium and long-term perspective. Too many good ideas that members want to get involved in! Our goals have never really been spelt out rather they are vague murmurings concerning survival, succession planning and the need to attract a younger membership base - like many community volunteer groups! So the aim of the project is to make very clear what are the goals of the Organisation, both short and long term. Then, to develop a strategy plan, that gives us the best chance to achieving these goals as well as highlighting our priorities and a timeline for action.</p>	\$5,975.00