



## **ANNOUNCING NRHS RAILWAY HERITAGE GRANTS OF \$30,000 FOR 2003**

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**Baltimore, July 4** – At its Summer Board of Directors Meeting being held during our convention in Baltimore, the NRHS Announced the winners of it's 2003 NRHS RAILWAY HERITAGE GRANTS Program. The NRHS received 59 Grant Applications totaling \$235,500 from 12 chapters and 47 other related organizations.

For 2003 the NRHS will award 18 grants totaling \$30,000 to the following organizations:

**B & O RAILROAD MUSEUM, INC.** - Baltimore, MD.

\$3,000 for the preservation and management of artifacts resulting from the snowstorm of February 16 & 17 that collapsed the museum roof.

**CAPE COD CHAPTER, NRHS** - West Barnstable, MA.

\$1,700 for the Authoritative Assessment of West Barnstable Station by a professional historic preservation consultant.

**COLORADO RAILROAD HISTORICAL FOUNDATION** dba **COLORADO RAILROAD MUSEUM** - Golden, CO.

\$1,000 towards the restoration o D&RGW number 50, a narrow-gauge diesel locomotive.

**CONNECTICUT ELECTRIC RAILWAY ASSOCIATION,INC.** - East Windsor, CT.

\$2,500 towards the repair of four electric motors from streetcar number 1326 built in 1910 and is still in operating condition.

**CRAWFORD COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Meadville, PA**

\$1,000 for the purchase of archival quality acid-free boxes to store Erie Railroad records in the Society's collection.

**FEATHER RIVER RAIL SOCIETY - Portola, CA.**

\$1,800 towards the restoration of a 1943 Pullman Troop Sleeper car.

**HEART OF DIXIE CHAPTER, NRHS - Calera, AL.**

\$1,000 for the purchase of archival quality storage materials for the timetables, papers and photographs in the chapter's collections

**KENTUCKY CENTRAL CHAPTER, NRHS - Lexington, KY.**

\$2,000 towards the purchase of heating & air- conditioning for a portion of the Paris, KY. L&N depot for archival storage of 5,000 video- tapes of railroads, trolleys from all over the world.

**LACKAWANNA & WYOMING VALLEY RAILWAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, INC. - Scranton, PA.**

\$2,500 "towards the purchase of flexible Staybolts estimated to cost \$25,000." This is the restoration of Boston & Maine No. 3713 steam locomotive at Steam Town National Park.

**NORTHSTAR CHAPTER, NRHS (c/o member Wm. Herzog) - Minneapolis/St. Paul MN.**

\$1,500 towards the cosmetic restoration of GTW No. 8327 steam locomotive.

**MEDINA RAILROAD MUSEUM - Medina, NY.**

\$2,500 to facilitate the replacement of the museums roof . This is a "priceless" building that was constructed by the NYC&HRRRR Co. in 1905 and houses over 6,000 historic artifacts.

**NEW YORK CENTRAL SYSTEM HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Erie, PA.**

\$2,000 to digitize additional drawings in the Society's collection of approximately 50,000 drawings.

**NIAGARA FRONTIER CHAPTER NRHS, INC. - Lockport, NY.**

\$2,000 towards the preservation of a New York Central Railroad interlocking, EL-2. "This very unique tower was built by the New York Central & Hudson River Railroad in 1911 and is owned by our chapter."

**THE O. WINSTON LINK MUSEUM - Roanoke, VA.**

\$1,000 to facilitate the scanning & digitalization of 2,400 original O. Winston Link negatives.

**READING COMPANY TECHNICAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Reading, PA.**

\$1,000 to purchase archival materials for storage and cataloguing of railroad photographic negatives.

**ROCKDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Rockdale, TX.**

\$1,000 to purchase professional electric modifications for the continued restoration of Rockdale's International & Great Northern RR passenger depot into a museum.

**SOUTHERN OREGON CHAPTER-NRHS - Medford, OR.**

\$1,000 towards the restoration of Southern Pacific caboose No. 1107 built in 1942 at the Los Angeles shops.

**WAYMART AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Waymart, PA.**

\$1,500 towards the restoration Delaware & Hudson Canal Co. gravity railroad car No. 43 built in the 1870's.

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**Since 1994, the National Railway Historical Society has been giving away annual matching grants for projects which preserve, research, educate, or publish railway history. Example projects include railroad structure and equipment stabilization, mechanical repairs, preservation and restoration, book publication, cataloging of archival materials, oral and history productions.**

**The program is open to NRHS Chapters as well as other organizations. The maximum award is \$5,000.00 per year per project. Applications are typically due in late April and the winning projects are typically announced the summer Board of Directors meeting, which usually coincides with the NRHS Convention in the summer. The amount of money available each year is announced when the call for applications is mailed out to those who have expressed interest in the program.**

**To date the NRHS has given away a total of \$225,000.00 as part of the Railway Heritage Grants program.**