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## **Freedom's Way National Heritage Area Launches 2024 Partnership Grant Program; Allocates \$75k in Support of Creative Programs & Projects**

**DEVENS, MA, September 12, 2023** – Freedom's Way National Heritage Area is pleased to announce the launch of its [2024 Partnership Grant Program](#) on Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>. Designed to provide strategic investments in the natural, cultural, and historical resources that enhance the region's sense of place, \$75,000 has been set aside for this funding cycle.

Reimbursable matching grants of up to \$7,500 are available to eligible non-profits, municipalities, state agencies, and public academic institutions. Applications are accepted and reviewed on a rolling basis and awards will be made until allocated funds have been committed.

The Freedom's Way Partnership Grant Program supports a variety of creative programs and projects, diverse in scale and scope, that align with the following funding opportunities:

- Inclusive Storytelling
- Education, Interpretation & Curation
- Community Planning & Resource Conservation
- Historic Preservation
- Regional Cultural Events

In addition, dedicated partnership grant funds are available for [Revolutionary Stories: The Enduring Legacies of the American Revolution in the Freedom's Way National Heritage Area](#) to support research, documentation, and the interpretation of diverse stories and initiatives that commemorate the semiquincentennial.

Prospective applicants are encouraged to arrange a time to discuss their program or project prior to the submission of an online application by sending an email to [grants@freedomsway.org](mailto:grants@freedomsway.org). An informational webinar will provide an overview of the program and application process on Tuesday, September 26<sup>th</sup> at 3PM. To register for the webinar, visit [tinyurl.com/pgp2024-webinar](https://tinyurl.com/pgp2024-webinar).

Since its inception, the Freedom's Way Partnership Grant Program has awarded 89 grants within two-thirds of the Heritage Area's 45 communities. Nearly \$2.1 million in cash and in-kind match has been generated, leveraging Heritage Partnership funds received through the National Park Service 11:1.

**For more information, including program guidelines, application materials, past project descriptions, and webinar registration link, visit [freedomsway.org/grants](https://freedomsway.org/grants).**

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Freedom's Way National Heritage Area works in partnership with the National Park Service to protect and promote the regional identity of 45 communities in Massachusetts and New Hampshire, including: Acton, MA; Amherst, NH; Arlington, MA; Ashburnham, MA; Ashby, MA; Ayer, MA; Bedford, MA; Bolton, MA; Boxborough, MA; Brookline, NH; Carlisle, MA; Clinton, MA; Concord, MA; Devens, MA; Dunstable, MA; Fitchburg, MA; Gardner, MA; Greenville, NH; Groton, MA; Harvard, MA; Hollis, NH; Hudson, MA; Lancaster, MA; Leominster, MA; Lexington, MA; Lincoln, MA; Littleton, MA; Lunenburg, MA; Malden, MA; Mason, NH; Maynard, MA; Medford, MA; Milford, NH; Nashua, NH; New Ipswich, NH; Pepperell, MA; Princeton, MA; Shirley, MA; Sterling, MA; Stow, MA; Sudbury, MA; Townsend, MA; Westford, MA; Westminster, MA; Winchendon, MA; Woburn, MA