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FAIC Offers New Funding Opportunity for Conservation Outreach

Washington, DC –The Foundation for Advancement in Conservation (FAIC) announces a new grant program to support student outreach activities, the [Holly Maxson Conservation Grants](#). Projects will aim to build awareness among students, middle school through undergraduate, about conservation and related fields and to encourage students to consider the field of conservation as a career path.

“The Holly Maxson Conservation Grants will allow conservation professionals and organizations across the country to reach students in new and innovative ways,” said FAIC Executive Director Eryl Wentworth. “The grants will encourage not only awareness of the conservation and preservation fields but help students to see themselves and their communities as part of the effort to preserve and protect our shared cultural heritage.”

A broad range of projects might be proposed, such as curriculum development, online resources, pilot projects within an institution, or video production. Grant projects will be focused on:

- Reaching and building awareness among students (from any level in the range between middle school and undergraduate) about aspects of the field of conservation and related fields such as architecture, book arts, libraries and archives, cabinetmaking, and the historic trades as a career path
- Encouraging students to consider conservation or related fields as a career path
- Promoting and expanding diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Creating programs or projects that could become a permanent part of ongoing educational programs, which includes potential for programs to be financially sustainable

The FAIC Holly Maxson Conservation Fund was established as an endowment through the generosity of the Berger Family Foundation. Awards will be made every two years. A total of \$32,000 in grants will be made in 2022, with a maximum award amount of \$16,000. Applications are due February 15, 2022. Questions about the opportunity should be directed to funding@culturalheritage.org.

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