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80 Museums Selected To Receive Customized Collections Assessments CAP Program helps museums improve long-term care of collections, buildings

Washington, D.C. – The Foundation of the American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works (FAIC) and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) announced that 80 institutions have been selected to participate in the 2018 <u>Collections Assessment for Preservation (CAP) program</u>.

The <u>2018 participating museums</u> represent a diverse array of disciplines, from the St. George Village Botanical Garden on St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands, to the Motown Historical Museum in Detroit, Michigan. These institutions serve communities in 44 states, the District of Columbia, and two U.S. territories, and include four museums in federally declared disaster areas, which received expedited Emergency CAP assistance.

CAP helps small and mid-sized museums improve the care of their collections by providing technical and financial support for conservation assessments of museum collections and buildings. Each museum will work with a preservation team that will visit the institution and prepare a customized report. The assessment reports allow museums to prioritize and build support for collections care for years to come.

The CAP program is administered by FAIC and funded by IMLS, a federal grant making agency that supports museums and libraries.

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About FAIC

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