

Help Preserve Greater Philadelphia's Historical and Cultural Heritage!

On February 4, 2009, Governor Ed Rendell revealed his proposal for Pennsylvania's Executive Budget. Cuts were made all across the board, but cuts to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission were particularly severe - the Museum Assistance Grants line item program was cut completely, in addition to a 10% cut on other line items at the Commission.

Philadelphia area museums and historical sites are vital to our local economy, quality of life, and educational experience. The Museum Assistance Grant line item program provides critical funding for historical sites and museums all across the Commonwealth. Times are tough on nonprofit organizations, and any loss in funds would surely force many to shutter completely.

Take Action Today!

You can encourage Pennsylvania legislators to reconsider these cuts to the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission before the final budget is approved. The Greater Philadelphia Cultural Alliance has made that quick and easy for you! Direct your internet browser to:

http://ga1.org/campaign/Preserve_PHMC

You will find a form letter detailing this critical issue, which you can also personalize with your own story. How has your organization impacted the community? Did a particular historical site or museum move you as a visitor? When you fill in your contact information and hit the "send" button, this letter will be sent directly to the legislator's office!

Pass this important issue along to friends, family, and colleagues!