



## IMPACT BY THE NUMBERS FOR MASSACHUSETTS

Grants to Massachusetts Organizations and Individuals for Fiscal Year 2019 through 2023 – \$46,322,510

Total Number of Awards – 311

### Award Highlights:

- Emerson College was awarded a grant to create a book explaining why Americans decide to change their identities and how other people react to those changes.
- A grant was given to the Center for Independent Documentary, Inc. to develop a website and mobile application featuring walking tours that examine San Francisco's history of affordable housing.
- A grant was given to Northeastern University to support a two-week residential institute for 25 university and faculty members who were interested in public-facing humanities study and the intersections of geography and social justice.

NEH also provides annual funding to the [Massachusetts Humanities Council](#), the designated humanities council in the state, to support a wide array of public programming.

### Recent Massachusetts Humanities Highlights:

- Mass Humanities supported two fellowships to research the lives and legacy of Frederick Douglass. Funded by the NEH's A More Perfect Union initiative for the council's Reading Frederick Douglass Together program, the scholars completed their work in October 2023. Dr. Anne F. Mattina, a professor of Communication at Stonehill College in Easton, MA, was selected to synthesize research and create a comprehensive account of the historical presence of Frederick Douglass in Massachusetts. Although his life in the Commonwealth is well documented, the fellowship was designed to create a timeline and potentially discover additional information: Places he lived and visited, the individuals and organizations that supported his work throughout the state, and the impact of his time in the Commonwealth on his work and life.

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