

THE AUTOMOTIVE HALL OF FAME (AHF) RECEIVES TWO GRANTS FROM THE MICHIGAN ARTS & CULTURE COUNCIL TOTALING \$58,000

Grants will be used for general operational expenditures as well as a new fire suppression and alarm system.

DEARBORN, MICHIGAN – Dec. 5, 2022 - The Automotive Hall of Fame has been awarded two grants totaling \$58,000 from the State of Michigan Arts and Culture Council (MACC). The grants were awarded through the MACC peer review process and were chosen from 639 applications to compete for MACC fiscal year 2023 funding.

"We are extremely grateful to the MACC for these generous grants," said Sarah Cook, president of the Automotive Hall of Fame. "We are energized by the state's appreciation of art and culture and look forward to putting these funds to good use to enhance the Automotive Hall of Fame's presence."

While a portion of the grant will be used for general operating expenses, nearly two-third of the money will go toward an upgraded fire suppression and alarm system, critical for protection of the Hall's invaluable assets and display properties.

"We are currently expanding our collection of historic assets and memorabilia, including a new collection celebrating the historic contributions of African Americans to the automotive industry, which will debut in 2023," continued Cook. "We will rest easier knowing we'll have an upgraded fire and alarm system to protect our entire collection."

The MACC peer review process allows for each grant application to be competitively considered by a panel of in-state and out-of-state arts and culture professionals. This ensures the taxpayers, who support this project through legislative appropriations, and all other visitors or residents in Michigan will have access to the highest quality arts and cultural experiences.

A complete list of grant awards around the state is available by contacting MCACA at (517) 241-4011, or by visiting the MACC website at www.michigan.gov/arts.

About the Automotive Hall of Fame

The Automotive Hall of Fame is a non-profit organization that celebrates the mobility industry's pioneers and their impact on society by capturing individuals' stories, passion, and innovative spirit to engage and inspire the mobility industry's future workforce. Founded in 1939, the Automotive Hall of Fame has honored nearly 800 individuals from around the world, who have impacted and influenced the automotive and mobility industries. The Automotive Hall of Fame is located at 21400 Oakwood Blvd in Dearborn, Michigan and is open to the public Thursdays – Sundays, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. You can also visit the Automotive Hall of Fame online at automotivehalloffame.org or on our <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Instagram</u> pages.

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