

## **Historical Organisation Assistance Grant Program 2022 recipients**

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The following Historical Organisation Assistance Grant projects were approved in June 2022.

The Historical Organisation Assistance Grant Program provides funding over three years to heritage and historical organisations to build their sustainability and capacity to ensure the future resilience of their facility.

Recipient	Project name and description
Guides Queensland	Preserving 100 years of Girl Guiding History for Queensland
	This project for Year 1 seeks to engage a preservation and heritage collections consultant to assess key preservation and sustainability issues as part of a staged process to optimise the use and suitability of the site for preservation, display and engagement and ongoing expansion with continuing donations. Environmental conditions and storage will be a key focus as well as opportunities to enhance displays and engagement with members. A ceiling fan and dehumidifer will help to address some immediate environmental concerns and a new display case and mannequin will be purchased to conserve a key uniform collection piece.
Newstead House	Support of Operating Costs
	The project for Year 1 will deliver a considerable financial contribution towards the payment of the Newstead House Insurance Bill. Newstead House is currently undergoing extensive conservation work to restore the fabric of the home to its former glory. This is a very exciting project and ensures the preservation of our building for future generations to enjoy. The loss of income due to being closed has had a significant impact on our ability to manage ongoing operational costs such as insurance.
Royal Historical Society of Queensland	Engaging Brisbane
	The project for Year 1 will upgrade display lighting, display cabinets, and museum catalogue system to current heritage standards; train volunteers in conservation methods; and present an exhibition sequence commemorating selected landmark people and events in Brisbane from the time of first European settlement. Artefacts will be sourced from Commissariat Store Museum repository. An exhibition will be undertaken by 1930s ceramic artworks by renowned Brisbane potter Muriel McDiarmid (1879-1941).
Sandgate and District Historical Society and Museum Inc.	Sandgate Museum Operational Review and Business Planning
	This project for Year 1 will initiate an Operational Review and Business Plan that is essential to support the operation and growth of the Museum, build resilience and financial sustainability, have a more effective online

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	presence, and increase skills and capacity of our volunteers. The project will assist the Museum in preserving Sandgate's cultural heritage and history and ensure it remains valued and accessible to the community.
	Support of Operating Costs
Women's Historical Association Inc	The project for Year 1 will provide stability and certainty to 'Miegunyah' through the financial contribution to costs associated with Public Liability Insurance, Volunteer Insurance, Directors Insurance and House and Contents Insurance. This allows 'Miegunyah' to welcome visitors and host exhibitions, events, and public lectures. It will ensure that the QWHA can confidently seek new partnerships and collaborations and it will help with succession planning. Financial stability will give new members the confidence to join the management team.
Wolston Farmhouse	Wolston Farmhouse Maintenance
	The project for Year 1 will complete essential maintenance works on heritage listed Wolston Farmhouse, making it safe and functional for public consumption. These works are integral to Wolston Farmhouse being able to offer an increased program of activity to the community and visitors. These improved and additional activities will in turn increase our ability to generate income, further supporting current and future activities, ensuring as a heritage building it becomes economically sustainable and contributes positively to the local economy.