

## **2022 North Carolina Preservation Consortium Preservation Grants Announced.**

The North Carolina Preservation Consortium (NCPC) Board of Directors approved a \$6,000 budget for 2022 preservation grants. We received six applications. The Board voted to approve four submissions totaling \$6,034.91. NCPC funded the following projects:

### Wiggins Memorial Library – Campbell University Digitization Project: \$1,120.00

[Wiggins Memorial Library](#)—Campbell University has amassed over 20,000 digital files since they began digitizing their collections in 2007. New digitization standards, including the Federal Agencies Digital Guideline Initiative (FADGI) standards, require upgrades to systems and training. “All collections digitized in the future will benefit from this grant, including the Presidential Papers, which we are currently digitizing,” Wiggins stated in their application. They just received additional funds to digitize their photographic archives. OpenDICE is a FADGI measurement and analysis tool that helps monitor and provide the foundation for a FADGI-compliant digitization program. NCPC has granted \$1,120.00 to purchase an OpenDice target to help meet FADGI standards.

### Mountain History & Culture Group Collections Storage Project: \$1,764.91

The Mountain History & Culture Group is a non-profit support group for the [Vance Birthplace State Historic Site](#). Vance Birthplace State Historic Site suffers from a lack of storage space for their collections. Their project will purchase storage and housing material for 30% of their collection items. It will also allow some collections that have been on display for over 60 years to come off exhibit and be housed safely. This will free up current exhibit space and allow other collections, especially those focusing on the enslaved people held at this site, to be put on display. In their application, the Mountain History & Culture Group wrote, “It is imperative that we utilize our collection to purposefully reflect on this history and foster community engagement with the site.” NCPC is granting funds to purchase archival quality storage supplies and shelving.

### Wake Forest University Ailey Young House Photogrammetry Project: \$2,000.00

Wake Forest University is working to digitally image the [Ailey Young House](#), which is believed to be the oldest surviving home of an African American family in Wake Forest, North Carolina. Wake Forest University seeks to take photographic imagery of the historic saddlebag style house by purchasing a DSLR camera and lens. Their goal is to develop interior and exterior 3D models of the Ailey Young House that will serve as the basis for measured drawings of the structure, and virtual interpretation using ArcGIS visualization

software. This documentation will further support their application to the National Register. The applicants concluded, “This will provide a solid foundation as the Town and Community move forward with their plans for interpreting the site for the public.” NCPC is supporting the purchase needed equipment for this important project.

Watts College of Nursing Collections Assessment Project: \$1,150.00

The holdings of Watts Hospital School of Nursing History Project document the importance of the nursing profession and its evolution in Durham, North Carolina. The collections include paper records of alumni, school records, and other important historical documents. Also in the collection are non-paper holdings including audio-visual materials, clothing, dolls, medical equipment, etc. [Watts College of Nursing](#) seeks to complete a preservation assessment of their collection holdings to identify critical priorities that need to be addressed. In their application, they state, “Future exhibitions of the artifacts will honor the countless individuals who contributed to [the] rich history of the school, enhance public understanding and appreciation of the nursing profession and promote the profession to nursing students and members of the local community.” NCPC grant funds support hiring an historical consultant to perform the preservation assessment.