



Newsletter

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Capital Campaign Fund News

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The Charlevoix County Community Foundation notified us that a generous donor has offered the Charlevoix Historical Society a challenge grant: funds raised for the

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campaign before December 31 will be matched—up to \$50,000! Giving before year end will double your contribution—and allow us to proceed with exterior painting and facelift of the Train Depot in 2018.

Here's how you can help:

- Send a check to the Charlevoix County Community Foundation (C3F) for the Charlevoix Historical Society Preservation Fund, P. O. Box 718, East Jordan, MI 49727.
- Visit www.c3f.org to Make a Gift, and select the Charlevoix Historical Society Preservation Fund.

If you would like a campaign brochure and donation card, please call the Museum at 231-547-0373.

Note that individuals age 70 1/2 and older can make gifts tax free from a traditional IRA account directly to a charity of their choice. The gift counts as part of your required minimum distribution — but it does not count as ordinary income. To qualify for this tax advantage, the contribution must be paid directly to the charity by your IRA custodian.

Questions about giving? Visit www.c3f.org/all-about-giving, or call C3F at 231-536-2440.

PROGRESS SO FAR

The goal of the campaign is to raise \$1.25 million to carry us well into the future for our capital needs, with the objectives to protect and preserve our historic structures: the Train Depot, Museum at Harsha House, and South Pier Lighthouse, to enhance our museum experience and exhibit space, improve the storage environment for our artifacts, and provide infrastructure to preserve and access our growing digital collection.

Thanks to the generous response of donors, we have already been able to buy the equipment needed to better preserve and organize our photo images, complete the first phase of renovations on the Museum at Harsha House—including a new roof—and proceed with the next phase of external renovations at the museum.

Thank you for your support!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

December 5: Annual Holiday Dinner at Grey Gables.

December 6: Cultural Corridor Holiday Fest

Details in the November newsletter.