



National Humanities Alliance

Yesterday, the House passed a funding bill that included a \$12.5 million increase for the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), which would bring its budget to \$167.5 million! If enacted, this would mark a very significant increase after four years of \$2 and \$3 million increases.

Also in yesterday's bill was an increase for the National Endowment for the Arts, the Smithsonian, the Woodrow Wilson Center, and the National Parks Service's historic preservation programs.

Last week, the House passed a nearly \$17 million increase for the Department of Education's international education programs (Title VI and Fulbright-Hays). This would amount to a 24% increase for programs that have not received increases since FY 2014. The same bill included a \$15 million increase for the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

These increases are all a testament to your advocacy over the past years in the face of the Trump administration's efforts to eliminate funding for these programs!

The Senate is expected to begin releasing appropriations bills next month. We will keep you posted and let you know if your action is needed.

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