

NEWS RELEASE

From the John Emery Rail Heritage Trust
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The JOHN H. EMERY RAIL HERITAGE TRUST has announced their grants for this year. John Emery was a long-time Chicago resident who was an avid rail enthusiast who loved to ride trains around the world, and wanted to help preserve rail equipment and infrastructure that will allow future generations to share his experiences during what he considered the Golden Age of railway travel, from 1920 to 1960.

Thirty-seven applications were received requesting in excess of \$800,000. After much careful research and consideration by the Trust, 29 grants were awarded totaling \$500,000.00. This amount doubles the amount that was given last year. The John Emery Rail Heritage Trust is the largest trust in the US that makes 100% of its awards solely for railroad restoration purposes.

Watauga Valley Railroad Historical Society: \$1,000 for work on the Clinchfield 100.
Bluegrass Railroad Museum, Inc: \$8,000 for restoration on coach C&NW 3478.
Wiscasset, Waterville, and Farmington Railway Museum: \$8,000 for track work.
Berkshire Scenic Railway Museum, Inc.: \$9,000 for work on RDC car, ex-NH #42.
Cincinnati Scenic Railway: \$9,000 for electrical upgrades to car #104.
Colebrookdale Railroad Preservation Trust: \$10,000 for coach work.
Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad: \$10,000 for NYS&W RDC M-3.
Leatherstocking Railway Historical Society: \$10,000 for D&H coach #233.
National Railroad Museum: \$10,000 for power car NADX 50143.
Pennsylvania Trolley Museum, Inc.: \$10,000 for station canopy.
Railroaders Memorial Museum: \$10,000 for PRR K4 tender project.
Railways to Yesterday, Inc.: \$10,000 for CA&E car #315.
Rochester & Genesee Valley Railroad Museum: \$10,000 for NYC RPO car.
Pacific Southwest Railway Museum, Inc.: \$13,000 for SP GP-9.
Iowa Railroad Historical Society: \$14,000 for track work.
Colorado Railroad Heritage Foundation: \$14,000 for RGS #20
Black River Railroad Historical Trust: \$15,000 for SW9 #438.
Heart of Dixie Railroad Museum, Inc.: \$15,000 for generator for the Alabama Club.
Midwest Railway Preservation Society: \$18,000 for passenger car restoration.
Oregon Rail Heritage Foundation: \$20,000 for turntable installation.
Engine #557 Restoration Company: \$21,000 for continued work on #557.
Roanoke Chapter, NRHS: \$24,250 for coach #512.
NM Steam Locomotive & Railroad Hist. Society: \$25,000 for PTC for AT&SF 2926.
Nevada Northern Railway Foundation: \$29,750 for locomotive #81.
Railroading Heritage of Midwest American: \$30,000 for PTC for locomotive #261.
Fort Wayne Railroad Historical Society, Inc.: \$30,000 for PTC for locomotive #765.
Illinois Railway Museum: \$30,000 for DC Line Stabilization.
Western Maryland Scenic Railroad: \$40,000 for continued work on C&O #1309.
Kentucky Railway Museum: \$46,000 for new boiler tubes for C&O #2716.

Congratulations to all the groups who received a grant and the best of luck as they

continue to preserve our railroad heritage!

Applications for the next round of grants will be due not later than February 1, 2020.
Check for details at <http://emeryrailheritagetrust.org/WP/>.

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