

BUFFALO AND ERIE COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

From the ordinary to the extraordinary

February 3, 2012

Legislator Lynn M. Marinelli,
Chair
Community Enrichment Committee
1701 Hertel Avenue
Buffalo, NY 14216

Dear Ms. Marinelli:

Enclosed, please find the Cultural Organization Data Response Sheet. We leverage resources allocated by the County to continue our forward trajectory and make measurable improvements in both the organization and our program.

If you haven't already seen our feature exhibit on Buffalo's own Louise Bethune, our nation's first professional woman architect, I hope you have a chance to check it out before its March closing date. It's rather ironic, that we currently find ourselves busy with the developers who are revitalizing Bethune's Hotel Lafayette. The History Museum is providing historic consultation and images to complete the decorative aspect of the hotel which is themed around the 1901 Pan Am Exposition. Our mutual goal is to incorporate the community's rich history into the historic hotel; sharing and broadening the scope of our mission in a venue other than our museum.

Since our 150th Anniversary Gala is slated for May 10th in the grand Hotel Lafayette, you will have an opportunity to be one of the first to experience our unique collaboration.

In April, our first of two commemorative exhibits opens, "**15 Origins**," in the Museum's grand State Court. Our second exhibit, "**& Everafter**," showcases our remarkable collection and opens in early July.

In our milestone 150th year, we look forward to working with the new members of the Community Enrichment Committee to "grow the roles and awareness of the value of the regions cultural organizations."

If there is any other information the committee requires or if you have questions, please contact me at 873.9644 x.303 or bechsr_i@bechs.org.

Sincerely,



Melissa N. Brown
Executive Director

Cc: James J. Cerroni Jr., Clerk

2012 Cultural Organization Data Response Sheet

Name of Organization:	BFlo + Eric Co. Historical Society		
Yearly Budget Amount:	\$	1,261,566.	
Yearly Operational Costs:	\$	1,259,924.	
Yearly Projected Revenues:	\$	1,121,566.	
Number of Yearly Events or Performances:	2011 - # 196 - Tours; Programs; lectures		
Number of Full Time Employees:	15		
Number of Part Time Employees:	11		

2012 Level of Anticipated County Funding: \$ 385,000.

Other Major Sources of External Anticipated Funding:
NYSCA - \$ 22,351.
Oishei Foundation - \$ 110,930.

Please return by

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Thank you for assisting in efforts to grow the roles and awareness of the value of the regions cultural organizations.