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COUNTY OF ERIE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND PLANNING

TO:	Lynn M. Marinelli, Erie County Legislator
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FROM:	Maria R. Whyte, Commissioner
DATE:	October 19, 2012
SUBJECT:	CORRECTED - 2011 Erie County Funding for Cultural Organization Capital Projects

Per Legislative Resolution COMM. 18E-21 (2011), dated September 15, 2011, Erie County designated \$300,000 to fund cultural organization capital projects. The organizations that received funding were:

ORGANIZATION	FUNDING AMOUNT	DOCUMENT
710 Main Street Theatre, Inc. Studio Arona Theatre (Shea's Performing Arts Center)	\$ 50,000	10/12/12
African American Cultural Center	\$ 50,000	9/27/12
Graycliff Conservancy	\$ 40,000	10/5/12
Western New York Book Arts Collaborative	\$ 30,000	9/26/12
Springville Center for the Arts	\$ 25,000	10/12/12
Lancaster Opera House	\$ 20,000	10/12/12
Iron Island Museum	\$ 20,000	10/12/12
Penn Dixie Paleontological Center	\$ 20,000	12/20/11
Irish Classical Theatre Company	\$ 18,000	9/30/12
Shakespeare in Delaware Park	\$ 10,000	10/5/12
Theatre of Youth	\$ 6,000	9/30/12
Locust Street Neighborhood Art Classes	\$ 6,000	10/12/12
Explore & More Children's Museum	\$ 5,000	12/27/11

A search of our 2011 departmental records found that only Explore & More Children's Museum and Hamburg Natural Society/Penn Dixie responded to the resolution. Their response is attached for your review. I have also attached a copy of the letter DEP sent to the other organizations requesting the required data.

I hope this information is helpful. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please contact me or my assistant Joan Braciak at (716) 858-6716 or by email at Joan.Braciak@erie.gov.