# ERIE COUNTY LEGISLATURE
# BUDGET ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

## ERIE COUNTY FUNDING EXPENDITURE WORKSHEET

# 2013
# CLOSE-OUT REPORT FORM

1. NAME OF AGENCY, INSTITUTION, OR ORGANIZATION RECEIVING ERIE COUNTY FUNDING – 2013

   Niagara 1812 Bicentennial Legacy Council

2. AMOUNT OF FUNDING RECEIVED

   **$ 22,500**

3. HAS THE MONEY ALLOCATED BEEN SPENT?

   YES_____NO___X___

   IF NO, EXPLAIN BRIEFLY WHY

The Legacy Council is a binational organization with Canada, commemorating the events of the War of 1812. The Council's Board of Directors is comprised of both Canadian and American members. The Council has been designated as a 501 (C) 3 organization by the US Internal Revenue Service. Insurance coverage for the organization's liability and disability for both sides of the Niagara River is with a Canadian Firm. The Legacy Council submitted paperwork for the funding release in July. Subsequently, much time was lost as Erie County attorney's verified that the insurance documents from the Council's Canadian carrier met Erie County's insurance coverage requirements. However, understanding this challenge, the Legacy Council was reticent to commit any of these Erie County funds to its projects, until the issue was resolved. The Legacy Council received the funding in early September. Since then, plans have been made for the commemoration of the 1813 Burning of Buffalo with the Black Rock Community, Buffalo History Museum, the Firemen's Museum and others in December 2013. Also, discussions with the B&ECP Library to enhance their upcoming War of 1812 Map Exhibit with a statue of Commodore Perry from the US Naval Academy

Museum are underway. The Legacy Council will provide a more complete Close-out report at the end of the year.

4. PROGRAMS, ACTIVITIES, EQUIPMENT AND/OR OTHER PROJECT(S):

*LIST EACH ITEM AND STATUS OF EACH ITEM*

Program(s) Performed _____

*Status* _____

Equipment Purchased _____

*Status* _____

Activity Implemented _____

*Status* _____

Project(s) Implemented _____

*Status* _____

5. ATTACH SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION COPIES TO VERIFY FUNDING EXPENDITURE(S).

CONTACT: Brian Merrett, CEO or Kathryn Vedder, WNY Regional Liaison

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DATE CLOSE-OUT REPORT COMPLETED: September 23, 2013

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