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RAMSEY COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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Gibbs Farm
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Saint Paul, MN 55113

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PROJECT RATIONALE

As a regional educational asset that helps teachers meet state education standards related to indigenous culture, early Minnesota history, and STEM, Gibbs Farm is an extraordinary education resource for hundreds of schools. Gibbs Farm hosts 15,000 students annually on-site, drawn from all across MN (most traveling from outside Ramsey County), and thousands more through outreach and digital programs. This project will support 30,000 students annually, add a history-themed after-school program, ensure the preservation of the National Historic Register-listed property, and add a facility that will help ensure the 4.5 million artifacts and documents entrusted to RCHS are safe and secure.

Students that participate in programs like Gibbs Farm are more engaged in school, perform better academically, and build stronger critical thinking skills. Gibbs Farm uses participatory theatre, makers activities, and other proven, high-impact teaching techniques to bring history to life for every student visitor.

This project also will provide fully accessible spaces for RCHS programs serving seniors and those living with mobility and other challenges.

Bill Numbers & Authors: HF 5082 (Finke) & SF 5093 (Oumou Verbeten)

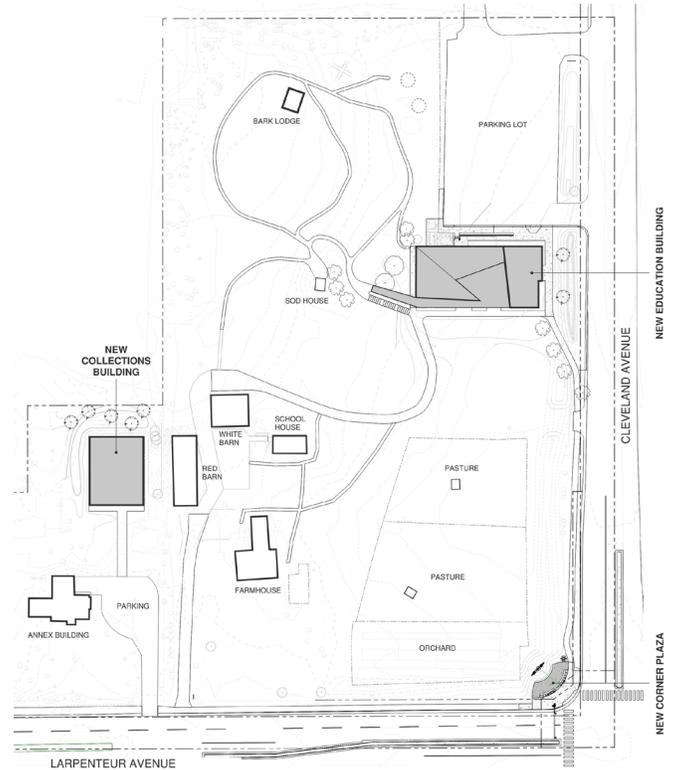
Preserving our past, informing our present, inspiring our future.

\$9.9 million in state funds is requested to construct, furnish, and equip buildings at Gibbs Farm. Construction documents are complete (project is “shovel ready”), all other funding is secured.

The total capital project cost is \$18.1 million.

PHASE II CONSTRUCTION COST

| EDUCATION BUILDING | |
|---|---------------------|
| Youth Tour Program & Support Space | \$4,145,000 |
| After School Program Classroom Space | \$829,000 |
| Community Gathering Spaces | \$2,487,000 |
| Teaching Gallery | \$1,990,000 |
| Indigenous Teaching Art | \$120,000 |
| Senior Programming Space | \$415,000 |
| Meeting B3 Standards: Geothermal Heating & Cooling | \$2,570,000 |
| Utilities, Storage, Misc. | \$995,000 |
| COLLECTIONS PRESERVATION FACILITY | |
| | \$3,010,000 |
| SITE-WIDE IMPROVEMENTS | |
| Accessibility Improvements | \$290,000 |
| Dakota Cultural Program Support Space | \$353,000 |
| Program and Partner Staff Space | \$320,000 |
| Safety Improvements at Cleveland and Larpenteur | \$301,000 |
| Historic Structure Preservation | \$275,000 |
| TOTAL CURRENT PROJECT COMPLETION COST (PHASE II) | \$18,100,000 |



FUNDING & INVESTMENTS

| PROJECT PHASE II FUNDING SECURED | |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Ramsey County | \$6,000,000 |
| National Endowment for the Humanities | \$750,000 |
| Local Philanthropy | \$1,450,000 |
| TOTAL PHASE II FUNDING SECURED | \$8,200,000 |

| INVESTMENTS TO DATE | |
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| Planning, Community Engagement, & Pre-Design | \$158,000 |
| Phase I Construction Cost | \$490,700 |
| Phase II Design & Engineering | \$1,410,000 |
| TOTAL INVESTMENTS TO DATE | \$2,058,700 |