Missouri State Library Digital Imaging Grants Awarded April 2024

The Digital Imaging grant program provides funding for eligible libraries and their partners in the cultural heritage community to carry out projects involving the selection, digital capture, storage, and provision of Web access to their important historical and cultural collections. Digital Imaging grants support creation of digital collections at institutions while at the same time expanding access to those collections via the Missouri Digital Heritage database and website. It addresses LSTA Priority 1 and MOSL Goal 1.

Four Digital Imaging Grant applications were received, requesting a total of \$98,478.30 and four grants were awarded a total of \$87,126.00. The grant period is scheduled to begin on May 1, 2024.

Library:	Kirkwood Public Library
Project Title:	Journeys into Kirkwood History
Summary:	This project will focus on digitizing the high priority subjects held by the Kirkwood Historical Society, specifically photos and documents related to the railroads, as Kirkwood was an early railroad city in Missouri, and will focus on minorities and ethnic groups who moved through or settled in Kirkwood during the westward movement to Missouri and beyond. Digitizing these items will make them available to interested users who can find them on Missouri Digital Heritage or through the KWHS website and links from the KPL website.
Award:	\$12,672.00

Library:	Park University Library
Project Title:	Preserving the George Shepard Park Collection
Summary:	The Park University project chronicles the narratives of George Shepard Park as an antebellum, Civil War, and early Reconstruction civic, political, and entrepreneurial leader in eastern Kansas and western Missouri. The scope shall be to digitize the archival records of George Shepard Park (1811-90) from pre-birth family genealogical records to 1870. The scope and historical significance of the project includes the westward movement, military, and journeys in Missouri.
Award:	\$30,150.00

Library:	University City Public Library
Project Title:	University City Building Permits and Their Applications
Summary:	The library will digitize and publish 30 rolls of microfilm which contain building permits and their applications, dated beginning in 1918, for the City of University City, Missouri. This information is historically critical to anyone who owns a home or would like to develop land within the municipality.
Award:	\$16,679.00

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Library:	William Jewell College
Project Title:	140 Years of Student Voices at William Jewell College
Summary:	The Curry Library at William Jewell College will outsource digitization of the full run of 140 years of college student newspapers, from 1875 through 2014. Once the digitized output is received, Curry Library staff will upload the files and curate the collection, including metadata creation, in the Hyku platform.
Award:	\$27,625.00