

# WASHINGTON COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Making History by Preserving History... since 1901



Dear Members and Friends of WCHS,

I write to humbly ask that you consider supporting the Washington County Historical Society in your year-end giving through WCHS's 2020 Annual Fund.

Prior to the emergence of the COVID-19 crisis, WCHS was positioned to achieve great things in 2020 – from the commencement of construction on our new Research & Education Center and essential preservation activities at the LeMoyne House, to the development of new exhibits and on-line content. While our commitment to these vital initiatives has not waived, extra effort has been necessary to modify our operational approach to meet the exigencies of this pandemic.

In 2020, LeMoyne House visitation has dropped approximately 90% versus prior years. In response, WCHS has worked tirelessly to fulfill our mission in new ways and has reinvented its business model to develop video programming in lieu of our usual in-person programming. The creativity and energy of our staff in accomplishing this has been truly inspiring.

We've set a goal of \$20,000 for this year's Annual Fund. With matching pledges from our Board of Directors, and Stradigi Virtual Marketing, totaling \$10,000, every dollar contributed through January 31, 2021 will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$10,000 – giving your contribution an even greater positive impact.

In this unprecedented year, contributions from our members and friends will be an energy source that will help us continue building toward that bright future we're all so eagerly anticipating. To contribute, please see the form on the reverse side of this letter.

On behalf of WCHS's Board of Directors, our committed staff and volunteers, and the many that we serve, I am very grateful for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lucy Northrop Corwin  
Vice President  
2020 Annual Fund Chairperson