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Project:
Seneca Falls Historical Society's Digitization of the Women's Rights Collection

Seneca Falls Historical Society would like to thank the South Central Regional Library Council for the grant money that allowed us to begin digitizing our collection. We would like to thank Julia Corrice for patiently assisting us to complete this portion of the project, especially as our museum underwent many staff changes during the period from receiving the grant to today. While there is still a large portion of the Women's Rights Collection to be digitized, I was able to scan and transcribe many items. I personally won't be with the museum as of next week, but plan on doing metadata work and transcribing as new items are scanned in, on a volunteer basis.

I will prepare templates and guides in preparation for the next batch of scanning. I hope to have the museum purchase an external hard drive to store these items, as they are now just stored on the office P.C.

Goals:
The current goal for the museum is to eventually have our entire Women's Rights Collection digitized and safely stored. This is a huge feat, as we have thousands of items pertaining to this time in our history.
Another goal is to increase the public's access to these items and awareness of the tedious and important work that the people involved in these events undertook.

Lessons:
I learned a great deal about the technical aspect of digitizing a collection and gained a lot of knowledge about how to train my successor to work on this project efficiently.
It would be a great help to us to be able to have enough hands to work on this project. With the exception of our interns helping me to transcribe around 10 letters, I did this project alone. Whether it's a future hire, or able volunteers: this is not a solo project.

Budget:
Grant Total: $1,600

Project Technician and Coordinator: Emily Corley
Scanned & transcribed documents and created metadata & filing conventions.
Approximately 300 hours at $10.00 per hour
Personnel Total: $3,000
SFHS Contribution: $1,671.96
Portion of Grant Used: $1,328.04
Equipment:
SanDisk Cruzer Glide 16GB USB 2.0 Flash Drive, 3-Pack = $17.97 (tax exempt)
Epson Perfection V600 Photo flatbed scanner: $209.99 ($17.00 in tax)
Adobe Photoshop/Premiere Elements 15: $27.00
Equipment total: $271.96

Personnel and Equipment Total: $3271.96
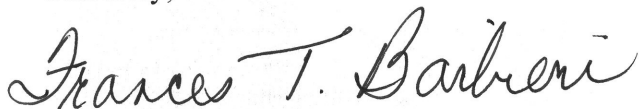Grant Used: $1,600
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Conclusion:
It is our goal to continue to make our collection available for public access and to provide research material for educational purposes. We are grateful for your support.
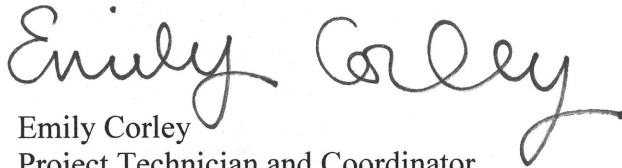
Sincerely,

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