

GIWINGTUESDAY (... OR ANY DAY)

TO BENEFIT THE HISTORIC INDIAN AGENCY HOUSE





WHY DOES IT MATTER?

Did you know that the Historic Indian Agency House is 190 years old? ...and that it has been educating the community for 90 years? Did you know that it is a nonprofit historic site privately owned by a small genealogical organization and that it does not receive fiscal support from the state or federal government?

Together with you, we are privileged to steward one of the Midwest's most history-rich sites, along with the essential story it relays. Our shared history and diverse cultural heritage are vital to remember, preserve, and pass along generation after generation. Understanding how our past has affected the present helps us better shape the future.

WE NEED YOU. WILL YOU HELP US?

The Historic Indian Agency House is a 501(c)3 nonprofit museum. Our ability to do what we do depends on the generosity of those who believe in the importance of our mission. agencyhouse.org/donate

WHAT YOUR DONATION MAKES POSSIBLE

Education

- Tours
- Exhibitions
- Programming & events
- Educational curricula
- Online history series
- Outdoor opportunities

Operations



- Staffing
- Utilities
- Buildings & grounds
- Insurance
- Supplies
- All basic operating costs

Preservation



- Curation of artifacts
- Archival management
- Preservation of historic house & prairie
- Publications & online stewardship of history

Research



- Original historical research & ongoing study for accurate & thorough interpretation
- Collaboration w/experts
- Archaeological inquiry

Outreach



- Mobile museum & programs at regional community venues/schools
- Participation in state and national history and science initiatives

WHO WE SERVED IN 2021:



More than 1,300 tourists and event participants of all ages, as well as over 2,000 outdoor recreational visitors and several virtual patrons, were served through your financial support.



Individuals and groups from nearly every region of Wisconsin and across the nation were represented among our patrons.

YOUR SUPPORT MAKES A BIG IMPACT

We are so grateful to have friends like you whose donations are invested right back into the community in the form of historic preservation, educational programming, and more.



STEWARDING THE IMPORTANT STORIES OF OUR PAST

WORKING TOGETHER FOR GOOD

Dear Friends,

Historic sites have a unique way of keeping the lessons of the past before our faces in the present. Nearly 190 years ago, a house was constructed at a dynamic and critical crossroads of geography, culture, and history. It was a time of tumultuous change, clashing interests, and momentous decisions, the effects of which have reverberated through nearly two centuries. That house—the Fort Winnebago Indian Agency built for agent John H. Kinzie and his wife Juliette at the ancient travel corridor of the Fox-Wisconsin portage—exists today as one of the few surviving reminders of that weighty period of the past. The powerful lessons embodied by this historic site are ones we cannot afford to forget.

For 90 years now, the support of friends like you has fueled our ability to **preserve** and **educate** at a site of notable significance. As a small nonprofit museum, our ability to offer engaging programming and tours, as well as simply keep the lights on, relies heavily on your generosity each year. Your ongoing contributions allow us to work together to fulfill our generation's responsibility to care for this vestige of a pivotal time in history so that it may be preserved and passed along for the benefit of generations to come.

Giving Tuesday, observed the Tuesday after Thanksgiving, was founded in 2012 as a day on which people are encouraged to give back to the community—to find a way to make a difference. Our nonprofit museum exists for the purpose of making a difference all year long. Would you please consider coming alongside us in our mission with a financial gift this holiday season in the spirit of Giving Tuesday? We carefully and economically steward every penny of the resources we have available in order to make the fullest impact in serving the community.

Thank you in advance for your partnership and generosity. We appreciate you!

With Gratitude,

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