

**Wing Luke Memorial Foundation**

(Seattle, WA)

**Total Award: \$50,000 over 1 Year**

*Cultural Institutions and Sustainable Communities: Models for Social Change*

To support the dissemination of *Cultural Institutions and Sustainable Communities: Models for Social Change*, a program to enhance arts participation by Asian Pacific Americans and other communities of color. The Wing Luke Asian Museum is at the forefront of engaging the arts as a powerful tool for social change. The museum has cultivated collaborative relationships with diverse organizations and individuals in order to bring to the fore issues of relevance to the constituents it serves. The museum has consciously integrated and empowered its target audiences into programmatic activities and operational functions. Based on requests from colleagues in the field, the museum will implement a mentorship program, where twenty-four invited representatives of museums and other institutions from throughout the country will participate in a 3-day intensive workshop and site visit designed to teach participants the methods developed by the Wing Luke Asian Museum. Leaders from community-based museums throughout the country will receive guidance so that they can adapt these techniques to their specific circumstances. Participants will learn methodologies for eliciting community input for exhibition and program planning through the use of a program proposal process and volunteer community selection committees. Wing Luke staff will share lessons learned, stories of successes, and innovative collection strategies. Participants will have the opportunity to work in the Museum's Community Heritage Center, and experience its operation first-hand as well as examine the internal operations, board structure and management of the museum.

***Program Contribution Breakdown:***

**\$50,000** Arts and Culture Program: *Objective I, Strategy 1*