

# State Archives Update

January 10, 2022



# State Archives Core Functions

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- Preserve and make available the official records of New York Colony and State
- Provide records management oversight and assistance to state agencies
- Operate the State Records Center
- Provide records management oversight, grants, and technical assistance to local governments
- Support and provide funding for the work of non-government archives



# Use of the Archives Collection

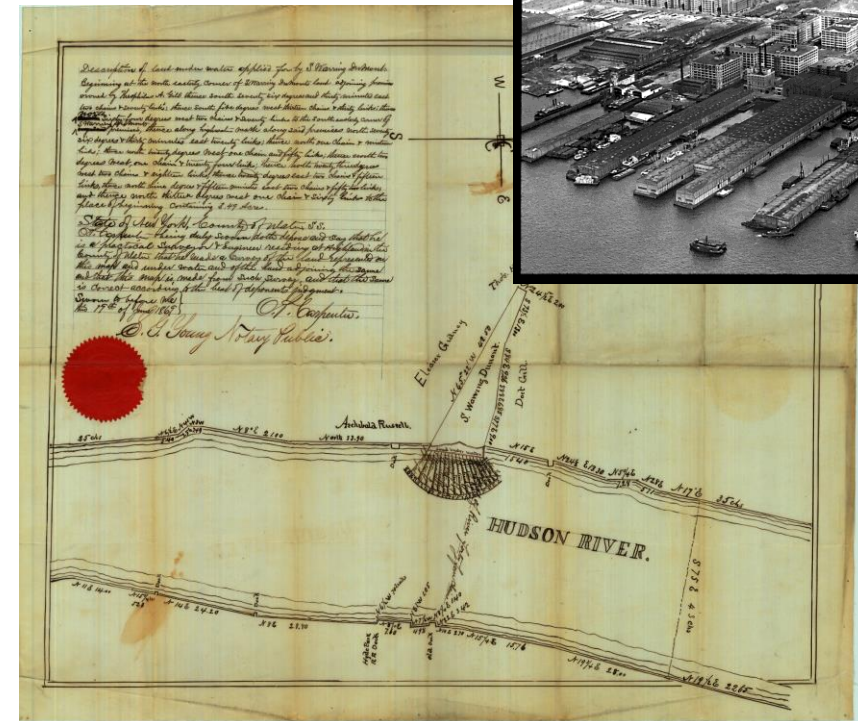
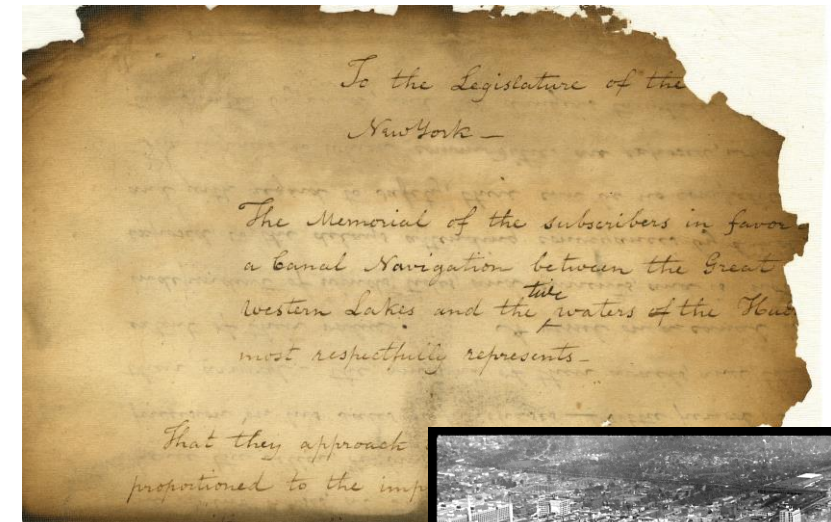
The State Archives preserves and makes available 270 million items documenting New York's colonial and State governments.

In 2020, when our research room was closed to the public, we responded to 8,221 inquiries via e-mail and telephone.

We scanned 37,571 pages of material on-demand in 2020.

State Archives resources on Ancestry.com were accessed more than 5.8 million times in the first six months of 2021.

200,000 downloads from our online digital collections in 2021.



# Recent Significant Transfers

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- 2020 Legislative Bill and Veto Jackets
- 1,100 boxes of case files of former Willowbrook patients
- NYSCA Folk Arts Program subject files
- Enrolled acts of the Legislature 2019
- Upland application files 1799-2009
- Lands Under Water application files, 1802-1966

**The State Archives acquires an average of 5,000 cubic feet of records annually, which most often are routine transfers from State Agencies.**





# Outreach and Resources for Teachers and Students

NEW YORK STATE ARCHIVES

## STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDS

**DEADLINE JULY 1, 2022**

All entrants must use historical records.

Historical records are: Photographs • Letters • Diaries • Maps • Broadsides/posters • Deeds, and more

Categories: Computer-based projects like websites, PowerPoint presentations, etc. • Exhibits • Documentaries • Performances  
Historic marker proposals • Research papers

An official entry form must accompany each application.

Individual and group entries welcome.  
Three awards (grades 4-5, 6-8, and 9-12) will be presented in Fall 2022.

For official guidelines and an entry form:  
www.nysarchivestrust.org  
click on: Education

PROGRAM PARTNERS

**New York State Archives Partnership Trust**  
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Funding for these awards is provided by generous contributions from donors to the Archives Partnership Trust, a 501(c)(3) organization. The Trust builds education, preservation and outreach programs not funded by the State making accessible over 250 years of New York's colonial and state government records housed in the State Archives. The State Archives is a program of the New York State Education Department.  
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# Local Government Archives and Records

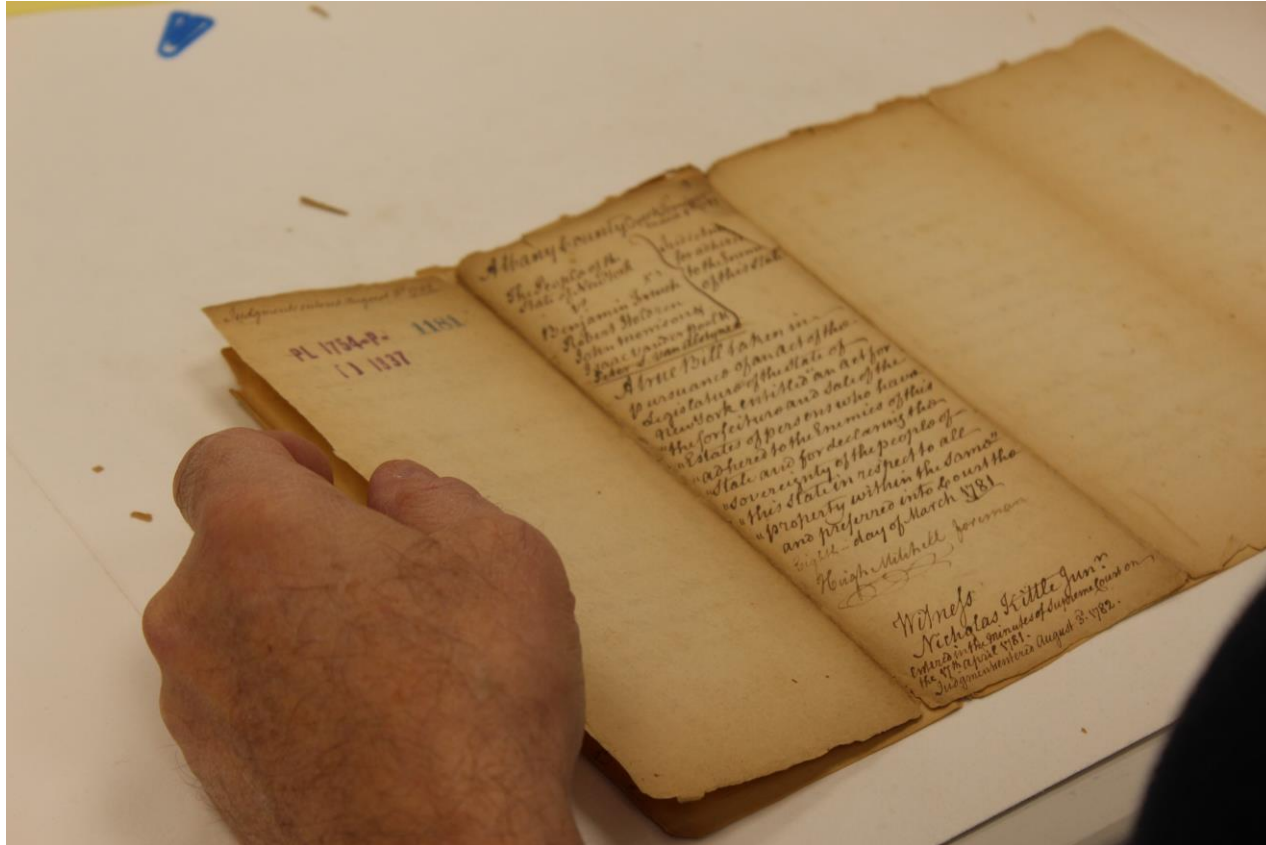


Local governments are required to maintain their records:

- The Retention and Disposition Schedule for New York Local Government Records (LGS-1) provides authority for disposing of temporary records and identifying those that must be preserved.
- Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund (LGRMIF) Grants support the work of local governments to manage and preserve their records. \$270 million awarded since 1989.
- Five State Archives advisory staff provide hands-on assistance, training, and support statewide.



# Documentary Heritage Program



Assists 4,000 repositories statewide

- Grants to improve access. 2020 projects included:
  - Out Alliance
  - St. Regis Mohawk Tribe
  - National Baseball Hall of Fame
  - Rochester Regional Health Medical Museum and Archives
- Training and assessment services through DHPSNY program
  - 157 assessments over 5 years
  - 1,202 participants in training in 2020



**THANK YOU!**

