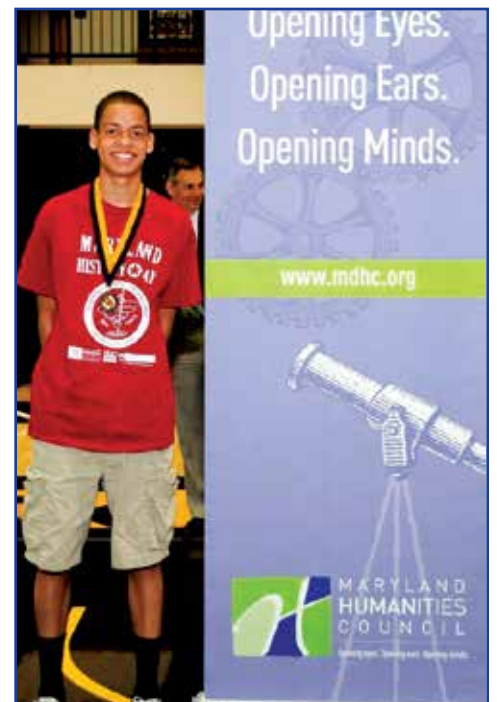
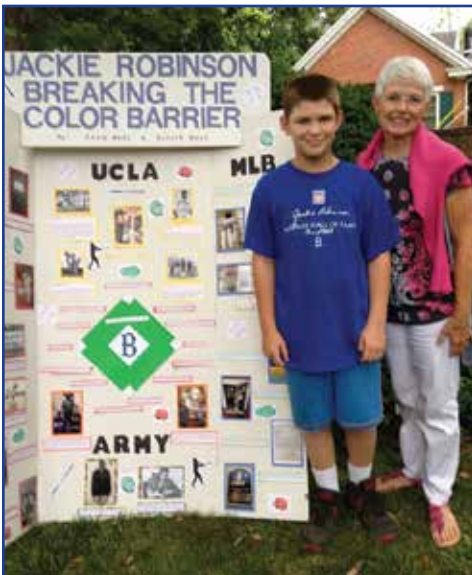




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ANNUAL REPORT 2013

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The Maryland Humanities Council is a private, educational charitable organization that stimulates and promotes informed dialogue and civic engagement on issues critical to Marylanders. Through collaborations with local partners in every county and Baltimore City, we offer the humanities both for their inherent pleasure and for their tremendous power to transform. Thank you for joining us on this journey.

WELCOME

*Welcome to the 2013 Annual Report of the Maryland Humanities Council (MHC). We always enjoy putting this together for you, sharing with you our work and achievements as **they are your work and achievements, too**. Read on to see the ways in which you enable MHC to engage, inspire, and impact lives every day.*

It takes a lot of people to make this happen: talented staff, dedicated board members and volunteers, skilled partners, engaged participants, passionate public officials, and generous donors. We celebrate you, whatever roles you play, in bringing hundreds of high-quality, free humanities events to life each year.

***Thank you for all you do** to make our work possible, now and in the future. We look forward to co-authoring with you the next great chapters of the Maryland Humanities Council.*



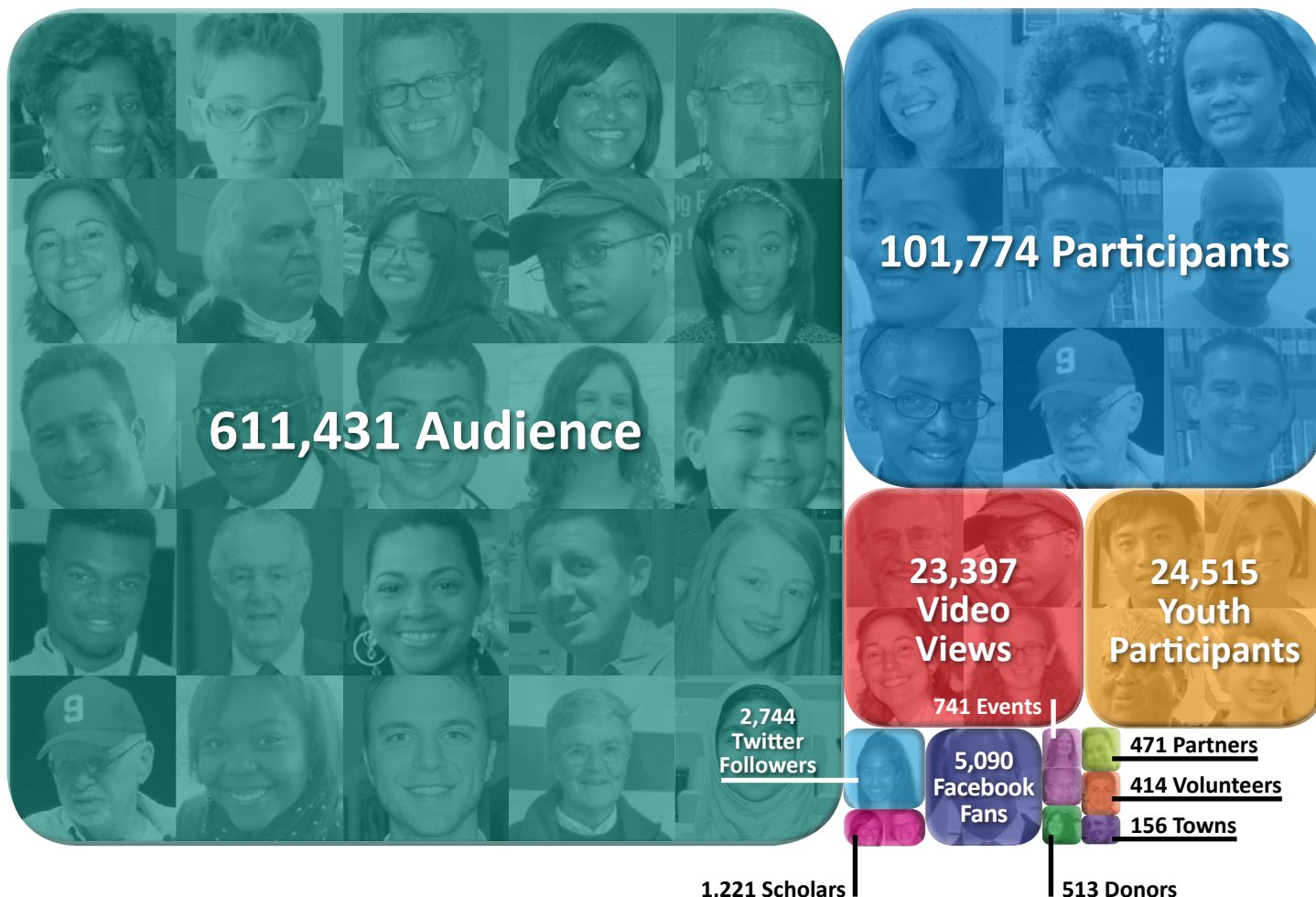
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2013 BY THE NUMBERS

Thanks to the tremendous generosity of **you**, our supporters, we are able to offer substantive, impactful humanities programs throughout Maryland. Here's a snapshot summary of our Fiscal Year 2013 (Nov 2012 – Oct 2013).





STRENGTHENING COMMUNITY

Gathering friends and strangers to consider challenging issues. Examining history to give context to our current moment. Discovering our neighbors' and co-workers' stories. Providing crucial grants for community-generated projects. These are just some of the ways in which the Maryland Humanities Council is helping build and strengthen community bonds.

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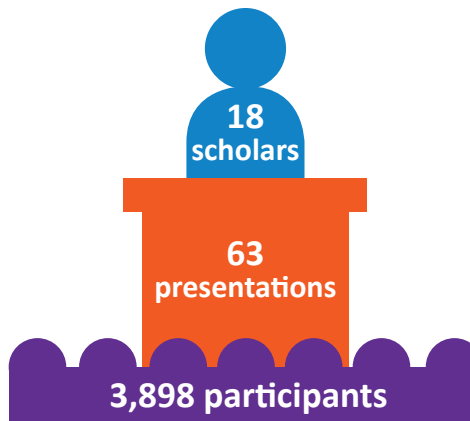
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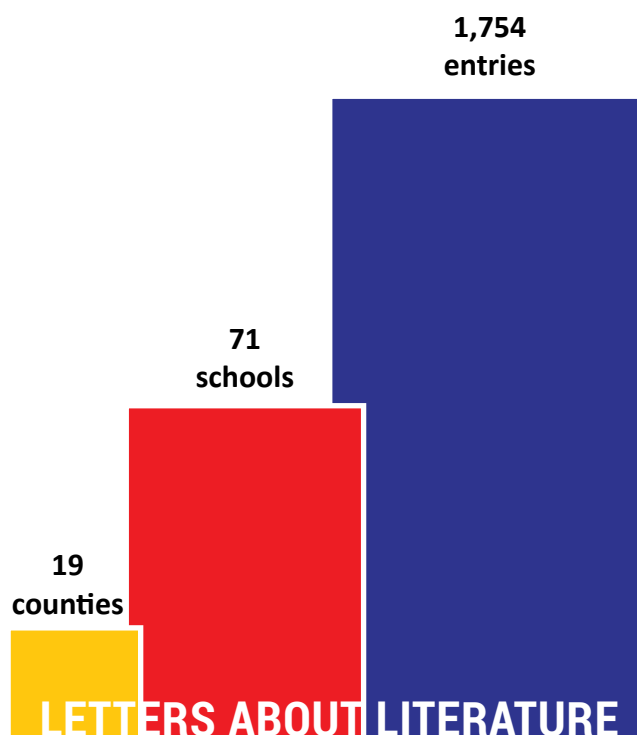
Museum on Main Street: Hometown Teams opens in 2015

ENGAGING YOUTH

The Maryland Humanities Council is devoted to providing opportunities for a lifetime of learning. A curious, seeking intellect nurtured from childhood throughout adulthood is invaluable. Of course, making sure that youth have opportunities to build critical thinking and writing skills is essential. By giving them a solid foundation in the humanities, they're better prepared to be civically and culturally engaged community members as adults. That's why many of MHC's most impactful programs focus on students in public, private, and home schools.



Letters About Literature fosters a love of reading while honing students' creative, analytical, and writing skills. In this national contest, young people pen personal essays to authors whose work has had a profound effect on them. Each spring, Maryland's finalists and winners are honored during Baltimore's CityLit Festival. In 2013, first place winners were Jordan Rose and Courtney Sipes from Kent County and Elizabeth Macksey from Baltimore City. Clinton Smith of Prince George's County's Parkdale High School won the Christine D. Sarbanes Teacher of the Year Award.



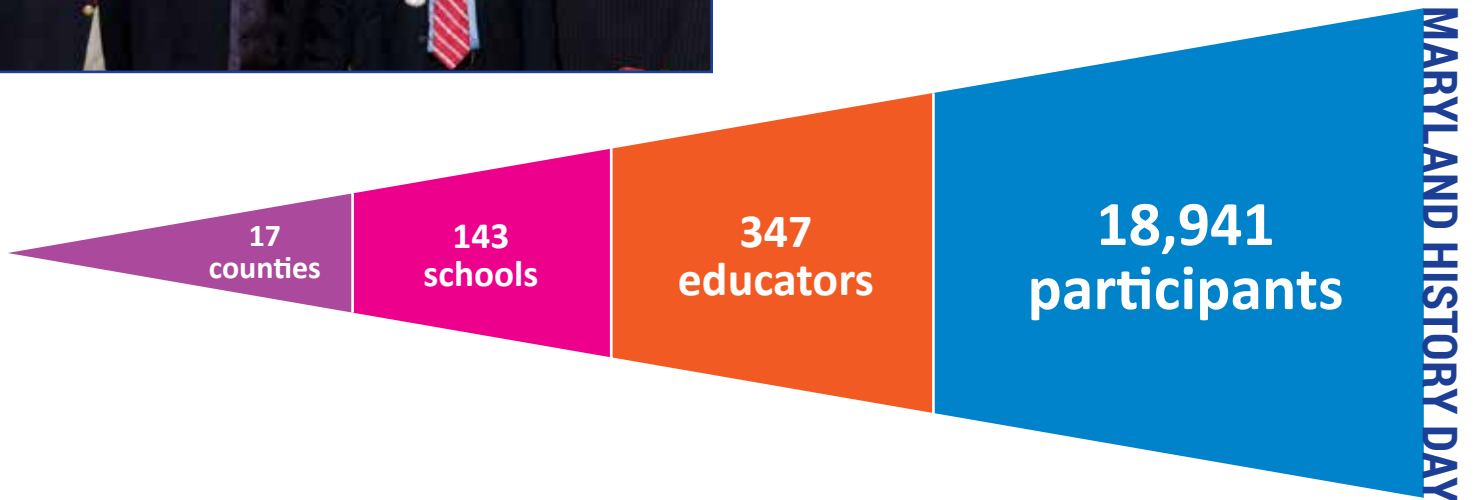
One Maryland One Book is a dynamic program for both youth and adults. MHC provides more than 6,000 free copies of the chosen book to schools, libraries, and community partners annually. Thousands of students are reading, analyzing, and applying themes explored to their own lives. Several hundred Baltimore City Public Schools students also meet the author during a special event at a local university that includes a campus tour. The 2013 selection was **King Peggy**, the remarkable true story of Silver Spring resident Peggilene Bartels, a naturalized American secretary from Ghana who becomes the king of her ancestral village.



ENGAGING YOUTH



Maryland History Day gives middle and high school students a solid base in critical thinking, research and analysis, and writing. Working solo or in small groups, students devote an average of 70+ hours to create original documentary videos, exhibits, performances, research papers, or websites exploring a tremendous breadth of historical topics. Students progress through competitions at the school, district, state, and national levels. A national study found History Day participants outperform peers on state assessments in social studies, as well as reading, science, and math.



IMPACT

Maryland History Day has a profound and lasting effect on participants, many of whom go on to careers informed by their experiences. Nathan Rehr, who twice competed as a student in Baltimore City, is a great example. It was his second entry—a documentary on Sargent Shriver that took him to nationals—that put him on a path to undergraduate studies at University of Maryland, Baltimore County, a summer internship with MHC in 2011, and currently Peace Corps service in Senegal.

As Nathan shares in a segment of MHC's radio series on WYPR, *Humanities Connection*, in addition to giving him necessary skills and experiences for academic success, "History Day also helped determine a few of my next steps in life. In completing my research, I interviewed Dr. Joby Taylor, a staff member at the University of Maryland, Baltimore County who runs a program for returned Peace Corps Volunteers pursuing graduate degrees. I learned more about UMBC's academic and social atmosphere, and I decided to start college there the following fall. Shriver's idealism is also what inspired me to join the Peace Corps, a decision that directed my studies and extracurricular activities in college."



GRANTS

MHC supports innovative humanities projects with grants of up to \$10,000. During Fiscal Year 2013 (Nov 2012 – Oct 2013), MHC made 19 grants totaling \$92,295 to organizations in eleven Maryland counties and Baltimore City, including three supported through special funding from the Maryland War of 1812 Bicentennial Commission. These grants were leveraged by recipients to secure an additional \$345,196 in community supporting funds.

Allegany County

Allegany Museum, Cumberland
Preserving Our Musical Heritage:
From Britain to the Blue Ridge
\$1,200

Frostburg State University, Frostburg
Frederick Douglass, Slavery, Abolitionism,
and the Constitution: 1845 Workshop
\$6,276

Baltimore County

Stevenson University Archives, Stevenson
Hallowed Beauty: A Regional Exhibition of
Sacred Art and Text
\$1,200

**University of Maryland, Baltimore County,
Department of American Studies, Baltimore**
Looking Forward from the 45th Anniversary of
the Catonsville Nine Actions
\$3,211

Baltimore City

Civic Works
Revisiting 1812 at Captain Henry Thompson's Clifton,
Home of Service in Baltimore
\$10,000

Creative Alliance at the Patterson
Globe Poster: Not To Be Missed!
\$10,000

Painted Screen Society of Baltimore

From Little Bohemia to Middle East:
100 Years of Painted Screens
\$7,000

Calvert County

Calvert Marine Museum Society, Solomons
The War of 1812: A Legacy of Division
\$4,213

Dorchester County

Nanticoke Historic Preservation Alliance, Cambridge
African-American Sharecroppers of
Indiantown, Maryland
\$9,000

Harford County

Harford Community College Foundation, Bel Air
Faces of Freedom: Harford County, Maryland
and Beyond
\$7,600

Howard County

Little Patuxent Review, Columbia
Fall Writers Festival/National Day of Writing
\$1,200

Montgomery County

dog & pony dc, Silver Spring
Silver Spring Repertory
\$745

Hyattstown Mill Arts Project, Hyattstown

Disappearing Agricultural Landscapes
\$1,194

Prince George's County

Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, College Park
Civil War/Civil Rights: The Well-Being of a Nation
\$5,200

Talbot County

Academy Art Museum, Easton
Joint Heritage at Wye House
\$7,000

Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, St. Michaels

State of the Oyster
\$6,286

St. Michaels Museum at St. Mary's Square, St. Michaels
1812 Profiles of Patriots
\$10,000

Washington County

Washington County Free Library, Hagerstown
Storyfest in the Park
\$1,200

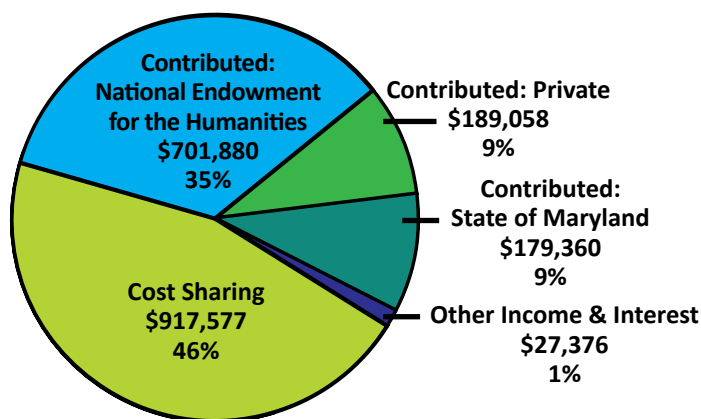
Worcester County

Julia A. Purnell Museum, Snow Hill
Traveling Exhibit
\$400

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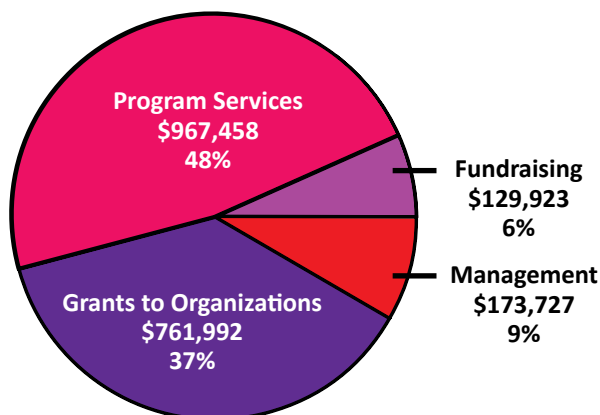
Total \$2,015,251



Change in Net Assets (\$17,849)

EXPENSES

Total \$2,033,100



Statements of Financial Position: FY13

Assets

Cash	\$ 411,870
Receivables	\$ 231,891
Prepaid Expenses	\$ 15,314
Property & Equipment	\$ 176,650
Security Deposits	\$ 2,500

Total \$ 838,225

Liabilities and Fund Balances

Liabilities

Accounts Payable & Accrued Expenses	\$ 39,374
Regrants Payable	\$ 9,079
Loans Payable	\$ 28,356

Subtotal \$ 76,809

Fund Balances

Net Assets - Unrestricted	\$ 473,205
Net Assets - Temporarily Restricted	\$ 288,211

Subtotal \$ 761,416

Total \$ 838,225

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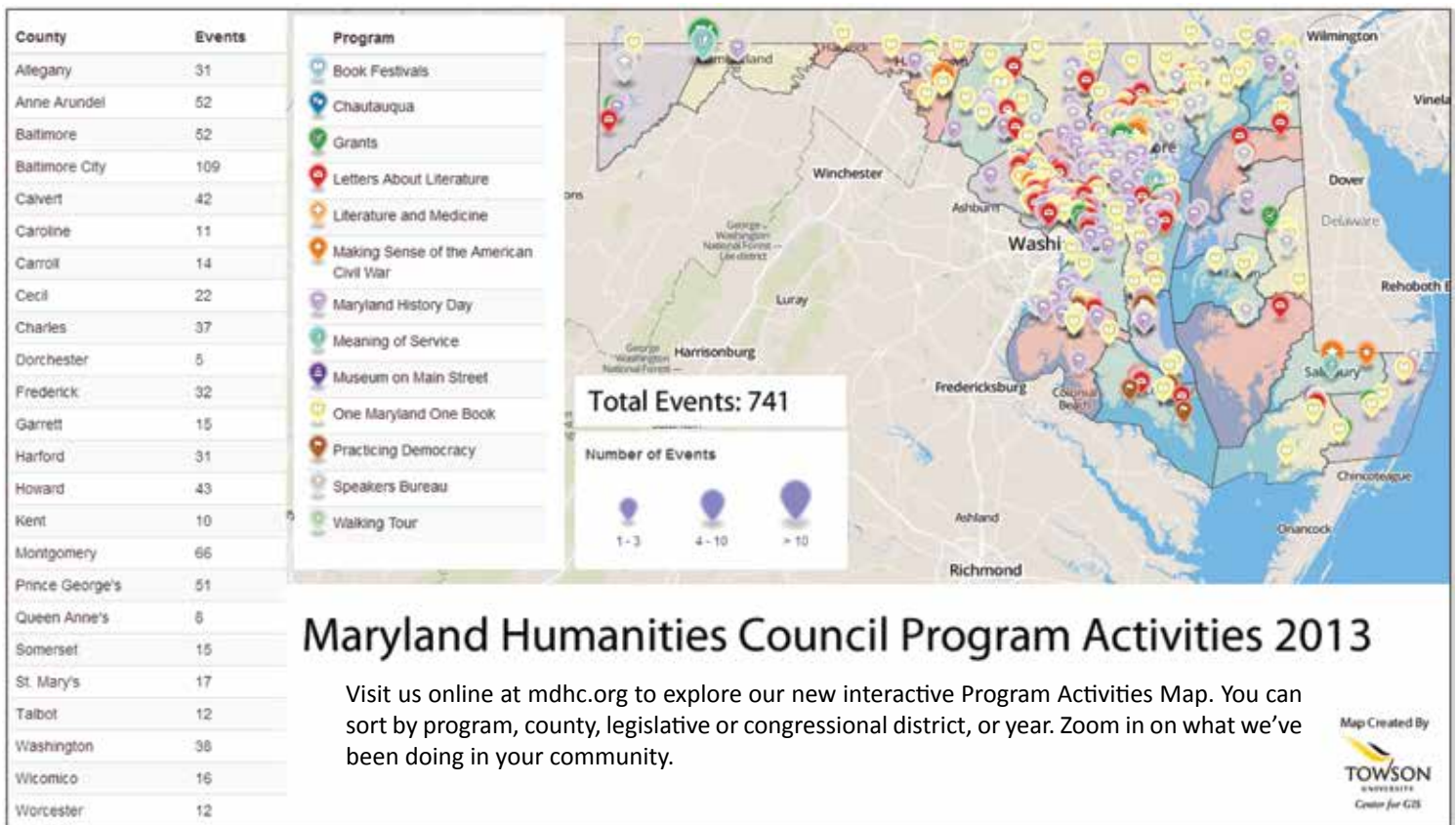
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