



NC DEPARTMENT OF  
NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

**NC Department of Natural  
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Special Fund Report**

**September 30, 2025**

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**Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
A+ Schools Special Fund Report  
Required by G.S. § 143B-87.2  
September 30, 2025**

**G.S. § 143B-87.2. A+ Schools Special Fund. (a) Fund. – The A+ Schools Special Fund is created as a special interest-bearing revenue fund in the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, North Carolina Arts Council. The Fund shall consist of all receipts derived from donations, gifts, devises, and earned revenue. The revenue in the Fund may be used only for contracted services, conference and meeting expenses, travel, staff salaries, and other administrative costs related to the A+ Schools program. The staff of the North Carolina Arts Council and the Department shall determine how the funds shall be used for the purposes of the A+ Schools program. (b) Application. – This section applies to the A+ Schools program, which was transferred to the North Carolina Arts Council by Section 9.8 of S.L. 2010-31. (c) Reports. – The Department shall submit a report to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources, the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources, the Senate Appropriations Committee on Natural and Economic Resources, and the Fiscal Research Division by September 30 of each year that includes the source and amount of all funds credited to the Fund and the purpose and amount of all expenditures from the Fund during the prior fiscal year. (2013-297, s. 3; 2015-241, s. 14.30(s), (iii); 2017-57, ss. 14.1(dd), 14.3(f).)**

Source: June 2025 Certified and Authorized Budget Reports

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
NORTH CAROLINA ARTS COUNCIL  
A+ SCHOOLS SPECIAL FUND  
August 18, 2025**

**BUDGET CODE: 24812**  
**BUDGET FUND: 210150**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$470,429.32</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	STIF Interest		34,848.39
	Non-Capital Gifts		0.00
	Appropriation	NC State Legislature	750,000.00
	General Revenue, Misc.	Training Revenues	<u>119,900.00</u>
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$ 904,748.39</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Personal Services		269,500.48
	Purchased Services		396,411.34
	Supplies	Gen. office -gas- spec. workshop	7,392.98
	Other Expenses	Misc_ Expenditures	753.60
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$674,058.40</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$701,119.31</b>

**Brief Description of A+ School of North Carolina, a signature program of the N.C. Arts Council**

A+ Schools of North Carolina is a whole school reform model that began in our state as a public-private partnership in 1995. The central vision of A+ Schools is to create enhanced learning opportunities for all students by using arts-integrated instruction that incorporates Howard Gardner’s theory of multiple intelligences, recent brain research findings and dance, drama, music, visual art and creative writing.

In 2010, A+ Schools moved from UNC-Greensboro to become a part of the North Carolina Arts Council and the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources. The state allocation that transferred to DNCR for the program was just over \$56,000, and the Arts Council has secured support from the private sector that, combined with state support, allows the program to currently serve 63 preK-12 schools in 36 counties in all regions of the state. We impact over 30,000 students and 2,000 teachers/administrators annually. North Carolina has helped to train other states to implement the program; at present there are A+ networks in Oklahoma, Arkansas, and Louisiana.

Although the majority of A+ Schools are designated Title I, they continue to demonstrate achievement at or above the state average, while teaching a much fuller curriculum than many other schools. Years of evaluation conclude that when a school is highly engaged in the A+ process, teachers are more satisfied and effective, students are more engaged, and there is more community and parental involvement.

Currently, A+ Schools of North Carolina has four full-time dedicated staff positions, three of which are receipts-based. 48 A+ Fellows, a cohort made up of master teachers and professional teaching artists, serve the professional development needs of the schools in the network. A significant portion of expenditures (listed above as purchased services) goes directly for professional development for schools, teachers and administrators through summer training institutes, school-based training workshops during the school year, and school leadership meetings in the fall and spring.

#### Updates from 2024-25

Since last summer, A+ has been busy, providing more than 40 in-person training events and serving approximately 3,500 participants throughout the state and across the nation. Here is the breakdown:

- 28 professional development sessions tailored to meet the needs of network schools
- 3 training weekends for A+ Fellows, designed for professional growth and collaborative planning
- 3 statewide leadership meetings for A+ school administrators and lead teachers to network and receive professional development just for them
- 2 regional arts integration professional development days for any teacher across the state
- 1 new teacher training for nearly 75 new teachers in A+ schools
- 2 sessions for NC's district-level arts education specialists, presented in collaboration with NCDPI
- 4 in-person summer conferences for 9 A+ network schools

We continue to partner with the Friday Institute of Educational Innovation at N.C. State University on research projects to better understand how the A+ model served schools during the pandemic. Researchers have interviewed more than 70 A+ educators and administrators to determine if the essential capacities developed in schools and teachers through A+ made any difference to the experience, resilience, satisfaction, and retention of educators during these difficult times. Preliminary results are very promising, showing that 92% of A+ school leaders reported school vacancy rates lower than current LEA (local education agency) vacancy rates. This indicates that A+ schools may have done a better job of teacher retention and support than their district counterparts during the Covid 19 pandemic.

A+ Schools has a long-standing relationship with the Windgate Foundation based in Little Rock, Arkansas. The beginning balance in the special account came primarily from a grant that Windgate awarded to the North Carolina Arts Foundation, the Arts Council's nonprofit partner, to support A+ Schools. The state non-recurring appropriation for A+ Schools was moved to the special account as per instructions from the DNCR CFO. As always, the ending balance will continue to pay for professional development and teacher training in the coming academic year.



**Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
North Carolina Aquariums Special Fund Report  
Required by G.S. § 143B-135.188  
September 30, 2025**

**G.S. § 143B-135.188. North Carolina Aquariums; fees; fund. (a) Fees. – The Secretary of Natural and Cultural Resources may adopt a schedule of fees for the aquariums and piers operated by the North Carolina Aquariums, including: (1) Gate admission fees. (2) Facility rental fees. (3) Educational programs. (b) Fund. – The North Carolina Aquariums Fund is hereby created as a special fund. The North Carolina Aquariums Fund shall be used for the following purposes with respect to the aquariums and the pier operated by the Division of North Carolina Aquariums: (1) Repair, renovation, expansion, maintenance, and educational exhibit construction. Funds used for repair, renovation, and expansion projects may be transferred to a capital projects fund to account for use of the funds for each project. (2) Payment of the debt service and lease payments related to the financing of facility expansions, subject to G.S. 143B-135.190. (3) Matching of private funds that are raised for these purposes. (4) Marketing the North Carolina Aquariums. (c) Disposition of Receipts. – All receipts derived from the collection of admissions charges and other fees and the lease or rental of property or facilities shall be credited to the aquariums' General Fund operating budget. At the end of each fiscal year, the Secretary may transfer from the North Carolina aquariums' General Fund operating budget to the North Carolina Aquariums Fund an amount not to exceed the sum of the following: (1) One million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000). (2) The amount needed to cover the expenses described by subdivision (2) of subsection (b) this section. (3) Any donations, gifts, and devises received by the North Carolina aquariums. (d) Approval. – The Secretary may approve the use of the North Carolina Aquariums Fund for repair and renovation projects at the aquariums-related facilities that comply with the following: (1) The total project cost is less than five hundred thousand dollars (\$500,000). (2) The project meets the requirements of G.S. 143C-8-13(a). (3) The project is paid for from funds appropriated to the Fund. (4) The project does not obligate the State to provide increased recurring funding for operations. (e) Repealed by Session Laws 2015-286, s. 4.12(d), effective October 22, 2015. (f) Report. – The Department shall submit to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources and the Fiscal Research Division by September 30 of each year a report on the North Carolina Aquariums Fund that shall include the source and amounts of all funds credited to the Fund and the purpose and amount of all expenditures from the Fund during the prior fiscal year. (1997-286, s. 5; 1997-400, s. 6.3(b); 1997-443, s. 11A.119(b); 1999-49, s. 2; 2002-159, s. 46; 2005-276, s. 12.10; 2012-142, s. 12.5(a); 2013-413, s. 42(a); 2014-100, s. 14.2C; 2014-115, s. 17; 2015-241, s. 14.30(g), (n); 2015-268, s. 5.4(d); 2015-286, s. 4.12(d); 2016-94, s. 16.6(b); 2017-57, ss. 14.3(h), 36.12(e); 2021-180, ss. 14.3(a), 14.3A(a).)**

Source: June 2025 Certified and Authorized Budget Reports

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
North Carolina Aquariums Fund**

**BUDGET CODE: 24816  
BUDGET FUND: 210190**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$6,278,156.88</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Fiscal Agent & Other Fees	Bond Related Expenses	51,164.69
	Building Design Contracts		3,660.00
	Agency Transfer Out – Agency Internal		
		Transfer to 42314 / 425045 – RI Education Dock Repairs	61,617.89
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$116,442.58</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$6,161,714.30</b>

**Brief Description 24816 210190 NC Aquariums Fund**

The North Carolina Aquariums Division has four public locations – the NC Aquarium at Fort Fisher, the NC Aquarium at Pine Knoll Shores, the NC Aquarium on Roanoke Island, and Jennette’s Pier in Nags Head – and a central office in Raleigh. Revenues derived from the collection of admissions fees, other fees, and the lease or rental of property or facilities are credited to the Aquariums’ General Fund operating budget supporting personal and purchased services, supplies, and other expenses. As needed, monies from the North Carolina Aquarium Fund are used for repair, renovation, expansion, maintenance, and educational exhibit construction at all locations, to pay the debt service and lease payments related to the financing of facility expansions, marketing of the NC Aquariums, and matching private funds raised for these purposes.

During fiscal year 2024-2025, the General Fund continued to directly support operations at all aquarium locations. The NC Aquarium Fund started the fiscal year with a balance of \$6,278,157. Over the course of the fiscal year, expenditures totaling \$116,443 were incurred. While the bond debt was satisfied during the fiscal year, expenses associated with servicing of the bond (\$51,165) were incurred. The remaining expenses were associated with various capital and repair / renovation projects (\$65,278). These projects included costs associated with the Education Dock Repairs / Replacement at the Aquarium on Roanoke Island (\$61,618) and renovations to the staff breakroom at

the Aquarium at Fort Fisher (\$3,660). At the end of the fiscal year, the Department did not approve of any funds to be transferred into the Aquarium Fund.

Looking ahead to fiscal year 2025-2026, the division is anticipating one large expenditure and a continuation of multiple smaller ones. The large expense will be the Aquarium Fund portion transferred to the project budget for the Aquarium at Fort Fisher's Expansion/Renovation project (\$5,454,689). Due to the closure of the Aquarium at Fort Fisher for the expansion/renovation, we do not anticipate any revenue transfer into the Aquarium Fund. We do anticipate a partial refund of the security deposit associated with the bond – now that it is paid off and being closed out. The smaller projects are a combination of new smaller R&R type projects at most aquarium facilities and a continuation of previous fiscal year projects: design and construction costs associated with projects at Pine Knoll Shores and Roanoke Island. We also anticipate spending up to \$100,000 towards advertising associated with the Aquarium's 50<sup>th</sup> year anniversary.



**Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
Museum of Natural Sciences Special Fund Report  
Required by G.S. § 143B-135.225  
September 30, 2025**

**G.S. § 143B-135.225. Museum of Natural Sciences; fees; fund.**

(a) **Fund.** - The North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences Fund is created as a special fund. The North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences Fund shall be used for repair, renovation, expansion, maintenance, and educational exhibit construction at the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences and to match private funds raised for these projects.

(b) **Certain Admission Fees Permitted; Disposition of Receipts.** - The Museum may collect a charge for special exhibitions, special events, and other temporary attractions. All Museum receipts shall be credited to the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences' General Fund operating budget. At the end of each fiscal year, the Secretary may transfer from the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences' General Fund operating budget to the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences Fund an amount not to exceed one million dollars (\$1,000,000).

(c) **Approval.** - The Secretary may approve the use of the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences Fund for repair and renovation projects at the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences recommended by the Advisory Commission that comply with the following:

- (1) The total project cost is less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000).
- (2) The project meets the requirements of G.S. 143C-8-13(a).

(d) **Report.** - The Department shall submit to the House and Senate appropriations committees with jurisdiction over natural and economic resources and the Fiscal Research Division by September 30 of each year a report on the North Carolina Museum of Natural Sciences Fund that shall include the source and amounts of all funds credited to the Fund and the purpose and amount of all expenditures from the Fund during the prior fiscal year. (2015-241, s. 14.30(r); 2015-268, s. 5.4(e); 2017-57, s. 36.12(g).)

Source: June 2025 Certified and Authorized Budget Reports

**NOTE:** The following MNS special funds existed prior to enactment of the above statute. When the MNS transferred to DNCR in FY2015-16, these special funds transferred as well. MNS has had no activity in special fund related to the above statute.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
209918 MNS-RESEARCH**

**BUDGET CODE: 24800**

**FUND CODE: 209918**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$62,511.17</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Supplies		9,267.62
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$9,267.62</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$53,243.55</b>

**Brief Description of MNS-Research**

- This special fund MNS-Research is used to provide funding for special research projects.
- One of the more recent projects was to determine the conservation status of crayfish species in North Carolina and it expected to start in fiscal year 2025.
  - Beginning balance was \$62,511.17 with expenditure of \$9,267.62 for supplies for an ending balance of \$53,243.55.
    - Work is in process to determine the next research project to utilize these funds. Plans are in place to utilize some funds during fiscal year 2026 for the conservation of crayfish species.
  - There was no revenue received during fiscal year 2025.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
209919-MNS-PUBLIC PROGRAMS**

**BUDGET CODE: 24800**  
**BUDGET FUND: 209919**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$70,397.16</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Purchased Contractual Services		4,131.61
	Travel & Other Employee Expense		4,204.47
	Other Services		224.87
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$8,560.95</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$61,836.21</b>

**Brief Description of MNS-Museum Public Programs**

- This Special Fund MNS-Museum Public Programs was established to support various education programs for public audiences of the Museum of Natural Sciences. In recent years, the fund has been used to support educational field experiences for public audiences. Revenues received from registrant fees collected cover all direct costs of the field experiences, plus equipment and supplies needed to support the program.  
There were no educational field experiences for fiscal year 2025.
- For Revenue and Expenditure figures, provide the following:
  - The beginning balance of this fund was \$70,397.16 and the ending balance was \$8,560.95.
  - Field trips were funded through Friends of the Museum for fiscal year 2025 with exception for travel reimbursement.
  - No revenues were collected for 2025.
  - Expenditures of \$4,131.61 were for contractual services, \$4,204.47 was for in-state travel and \$224.87 for other services. Plans are in place to use the balance in this fund to provide resources needed to continue to offer field learning experiences to the Museum’s varied public audiences in fiscal year 2026 and beyond.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
209920-MNS-EXTENSION ACTIVITY**

**BUDGET CODE: 24800**

**BUDGET FUND: 209920**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$98,325.92</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Purchased Contractual Services		7,000.00
	Supplies		60,215.40
	Property, Plant, and Equipment		5,619.87
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$72,835.27</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$25,490.65</b>

**Brief Description of MNS-Extension Activity**

- The Special Funds account MNS-Extension Activity was set-up for the extension sites, Museum of Natural Sciences in Whiteville, and Prairie Ridge EcoStation in Raleigh. These locations run educational programs and activities at their locations.
  - The beginning balance was \$98,325.92 with expenditures of \$7,000.00 for purchased contractual services, \$60,215.40 for supplies, and \$5,619.87 for property, plant, and equipment which leaves an ending balance \$25,490.65.
  - Plans are in process for utilizing the funds in this account during fiscal year 2026 for a new welcome desk at the Museum of Natural Sciences in Whiteville.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
209921-MNS-MUS BELIZE FUNDS**

**BUDGET CODE: 24800**  
**BUDGET FUND: 209921**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$9,965.54</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Other Special Program Wages		7,000.00
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$7,000.00</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$2,965.54</b>

**Brief Description of MNS-Museum Belize Funds**

- The Special Fund Museum Belize Funds was established to support the Tropical Ecology Institute (TEI), a signature offering of the Museum’s Educators of Excellence series of professional development workshops for North Carolina teachers.
- The beginning balance for 2025 was \$9,965.54 with \$7,000 used to other special program wages and ending balance of \$2965.54 that will be used in 2026.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
209922-MNS-SCHOOL PROGRAMS**

**BUDGET CODE: 24800**

**FUND CODE: 209922**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$16,925.97</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	NONE		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Communication and IT Services		4.40
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>4.40</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$16,921.57</b>

**Brief Description of MNS-Museum School Programs**

- This Special Fund MNS Museum School Programs was established to support the various programs the Education Section offers to students and teachers.
- For Revenue and Expenditure figures, provide the following:
  - The beginning fund balance was \$16,925.97 and the ending fund balance was \$16,921.57.
    - Plans are in place to use the \$16,921.57 balance in this fund in fiscal year 2026 to provide staffing and supplies required to offer programs to North Carolina students and teachers.
  - \$4.40 was to cover communication and IT Services.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
209923-MNS-GIRLS IN SCIENCE**

**BUDGET CODE: 24800**

**FUND CODE: 209923**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>0.00</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>0.00</b>

**Brief Description of MNS-MUS GIRLS IN SCIENCE**

- This Special Fund is no longer used.
- The beginning and ending balance of this account was zero dollars and cents for fiscal year 2025.



**Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
Queen Anne's Revenge Project Special Fund  
Report Required by G.S. § 143B-53.3. (c)  
September 30, 2025**

**G.S. § 143B-53.3. Queen Anne's Revenge Project.**

(a) **Fund.** -The Queen Anne's Revenge Project Special Fund is created as a special, interest- bearing revenue fund within the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Office of Archives and History. The Fund shall consist of all receipts derived from private donations, grant funds, and earned revenue. The monies in the Fund may be used only for contracted services, personal services and operations, conference and meeting expenses, travel, staff salaries, operations for laboratory needs, museum exhibits, and other administrative costs related to the Queen Anne's Revenge Project. The staff of the Office of Archives and History and the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources shall determine how the funds will be used for the purposes of the Queen Anne's Revenge Project, and those funds are hereby appropriated for those purposes.

(b) **Application.** -This section applies to the Queen Anne's Revenge, the historic shipwreck owned by the State and managed by the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Office of Archives and History.

(c) **Reports.** -The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources shall submit a report by September 30 of each year to the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations, the chairs of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources, the chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Natural and Economic Resources, and the Fiscal Research Division. This report shall include the source and amount of all funds credited to the Fund and the purpose and amount of all expenditures from the Fund during the prior fiscal year. (2014- 100, s. 19.4; 2015- 241, s. 14.30(s), (hhh).)

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**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
Queen Anne’s Revenge Project Special Fund**

**BUDGET CODE: 24813**  
**BUDGET FUND: 210160**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b><u>7/1/2024</u></b>		<b>\$1,513.91</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	STIF Interest		15,032.49
	Non-Capital Gifts		729.00
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$15,761.49</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b><u>6/30/2025</u></b>		<b>\$17,275.40</b>

**Brief Description of Queen Anne’s Revenge Project**

The Queen Anne’s Revenge (QAR) Project Special Fund was created as a special, interest-bearing revenue fund. The fund consists of all receipts derived from private donations, grant funds, and earned revenue. The QAR Project encompasses the recovery of artifacts from Blackbeard’s Flagship, *Queen Anne’s Revenge*, in Beaufort Inlet as well as a first-class laboratory to conserve the three-hundred-year-old water-logged items. The QAR Lab hosted 674 visitors to two Open Houses this year.



**Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
State Historic Sites and Museums Special Fund Report  
Required by G.S. § 121-7.7  
September 30, 2025**

**G.S. § 121-7.7. State Historic Sites and Museums special fund.**

**(a) Fund. - The State Historic Sites and Museums Fund is created as a special, interest-bearing revenue fund in the Division of State Historic Sites and the Division of State History Museums. The Fund consists of all receipts derived from the lease or rental of property or facilities, disposition of structures or products of the land, donations, gifts, devises, and admissions and fees collected at the State Historic Sites, State History Museums, and Maritime Museums. The Fund also consists of the net proceeds derived from the sale of real property pursuant to G.S. 146-30(d)(11). The revenues in the Fund may be used only for the operation, interpretation, maintenance, preservation, development, and expansion of the individual State Historic Site, State History Museum, and Maritime Museum where the receipts are generated. The respective Division and the staff from each State Historic Site, State History Museum, and Maritime Museum shall determine how the funds shall be used at that Historic Site, State History Museum, and Maritime Museum.**

**(b) Application. - This section applies to the individual State Historic Sites and State History and Maritime Museums owned by or under the control of the Division of State Historic Sites and the Division of State History Museums, with the exception of the Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site and the North Carolina Transportation Museum. The Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site is subject to G.S. 121-7.5. The North Carolina Transportation Museum is subject to G.S. 121-7.6.**

**(c) Reports. - The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources must submit to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources, the chairs of the House of Representatives Appropriations Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources, the chairs of the Senate Appropriations Committee on Natural and Economic Resources, and the Fiscal Research Division by September 30 of each year a report on the Fund that includes the source and amounts of all funds credited to the Fund and the purpose and amount of all expenditures from the Fund during the prior fiscal year. (2011-213, s. 1; 2012-142, s. 18.2; 2015-241, s. 14.30(uu); 2017-57, ss. 14.1(dd), 14.3(c); 2021-180, s. 14.1(b).)**

Source: June 2025 Certified and Authorized Budget Reports

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
HISTORIC SITES

BUDGET CODE: 24807

BEGINNING BALANCE			1,544,663.94
REVENUE			
	STIF INT INC-PROGRAM REV		66,665.18
	CONSTRUCTION PERIOD INT		(0.20)
	SALES/SERVICES - BAD DEBT		500.00
	OTH SALES OF GOODS		20.00
	RENTAL OF REAL PROPERTY		67,656.73
	RENT PROP-EMP RENT INCOME		4,800.00
	GATE/ADMISSION FEES		27,929.04
	ADMISSION-SPECIAL EVENT		19,347.87
	OTHER LIC FEES/PERMITS		0.00
	ACTIVITY/TOUR FEE		147,182.33
	NONCAPITAL GIFTS		165,774.54
	OTHER MISC REV-GENERAL		2,422.23
		TOTAL REVENUES	<b>502,297.72</b>
ADJUSTMENT TO CASH BASIS			
	ACCR-SALES TAX PAYABLE		(103.72)
	EDENTON HISTORIC COMM		1,122.00
		ADJUSTMENT TOTAL	<b>1,018.28</b>
		TOTAL TO CASH REVENUES	<b>503,316.00</b>
EXPENDITURES			
	Personal Services		158,231.36
	Purchased Services		182,194.82
	Supplies		71,189.54
	Property, Plant & Equip		22,895.97
	Other Expenses & Adjust		12,919.18
		TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<b>447,430.87</b>
		LIABILITY	-
		TOTAL AVAILABILITY	<b>1,600,549.07</b>

## **Brief Description of 24807 Historic Sites**

The Division of State Historic Sites and Properties administers 27 staffed historic sites, including the State Capitol, Roanoke Island Festival Park, and the NC Transportation Museum. For the purposes of this Legislative Fee Report, the NCTM and Bentonville Battlefield are reporting separately and the RIFP is not reporting.

Recently added to the division, are two new staffed sites: Shallow Ford (Forsyth County) and the home and workshop of Thomas Day in Milton (Caswell County). Historic Shallow Ford is staffed and managed as a satellite unit of Fort Dobbs. Thomas Day SHS is staffed and open to the public. The Division also manages the 400-acre undeveloped Endor Iron Furnace property in Lee County and the Caswell Memorial (open on weekends) in Kinston as a satellite property of the CSS Neuse Civil War Interpretive Center. And finally, the division leases and provides oversight to the 194-acre Hayes property in Edenton (Chowan County) to the Elizabeth Vann Moore Foundation.

The division's 27 properties feature over 5,207 managed acres, 314 buildings including historic buildings, visitor centers, residences, restrooms, picnic shelters and maintenance structures, 16 miles of recreational and interpreted walking trails, and over 85,000 artifacts, cemeteries, and monuments.

Revenue for 23 sites in this report amounted to \$502,297.72, of which \$66,665.182 was in STIF Interest. Revenues were generated through grants, fee-based staff-guided tours, special event rentals (weddings, reunions, etc.), rental of real property including land, residences, and office space, activity fees, admission fees for special events, and gifts/donations. The revenue stream for each site represents a unique combination of staff directed activities and site capacities. Some sites rely heavily on guided tours, special activities, or events to generate revenue, whereas others take advantage of their facilities to generate rental income.

Expenditures from this fund included \$158,231 in personal services which represents the hiring of temporary employees. Sites generating the most revenue include Fort Fisher, Reed Gold Mine, Duke Homestead, and Thomas Wolfe. These sites spend the bulk of their revenue on temporary employees. Division sites also spent \$71,189.54 on supplies. Overall, sites also spent \$182,195 on purchased services which included operational expenses related to cleaning and property maintenance. Very little generated revenue goes to supporting public programming, artifact acquisition, educational activities.

BUDGET CODE 24807	REVENUES	Cannon Trust Grant	STIF Interest	Construction Period Int	Sales/Services - Bad Debt	Other Sales of Gds or Publ	Rental of Real Property	Rent Prop - Emp Rent Income	Gate/Admission Fees	Admission - Special Event	Other Lic Fees/Permits	Activity/Tour Fees	NonCapital Gifts	Other Misc Rev - General	Adjustment to Cash Basis	Edenton Historic Comm
210040 STATE HIST SITES FUND- INTEREST 2720	\$ 66,664.98		\$ 66,665.18	\$ (0.20)												
210041 ALAMANCE BATTLEGROUND 2721	\$ 3,701.94											\$ 2,385.25	\$ 1,316.83			-\$0.14
210042 AYCOCK BIRTHPLACE 2722	\$ 3,545.09						\$ 150.00			\$ 1,150.00		\$ 1,092.24	\$ 1,155.37			-\$2.52
210043 HISTORIC BATH 2723	\$ 16,107.95				\$ 500.00		\$ 7,150.00		\$ 1,904.43	\$ 3,804.00		\$ 868.00	\$ 1,888.81			-\$7.29
210044 BENNETT PLACE 2724	\$ 10,277.06						\$ 346.87					\$ 2,958.70	\$ 6,941.27			\$30.22
210045 BRUNSWICK TOWN 2726	\$ 4,694.49						\$ 4,135.00		\$ 66.00			\$ 404.81	\$ 68.49			\$20.19
210046 CHARLOTTE HAWKINS BROWN MEMORIAL 2727	\$ 125,633.48						\$ 13,726.00		\$ 1,181.87				\$ 110,723.38			\$2.23
210047 CSS NEUSE & GOV CASWELL MEMORIAL 2728	\$ -															
210048 DUKE HOMESTEAD 2729	\$ 29,481.10						\$ 1,484.93	\$ 4,800.00		\$ 13,823.26		\$ 4,787.25	\$ 4,554.21			\$31.45
210049 FORT DOBBS 2731	\$ 11,577.17											\$ 7,040.15	\$ 4,789.00			-\$251.98
210050 FORT FISHER 2732	\$ 21,160.02						\$ 9,000.00					\$ 2,212.57	\$ 7,498.76	\$ 2,422.15		\$26.54
210051 HISTORIC HALIFAX 2733	\$ 3,438.48									\$ 380.00		\$ 1,433.28	\$ 1,621.62			\$3.58
210052 HORNE CREEK 2734	\$ 1,222.35											\$ 1,243.85	\$ 91.00			-\$112.50
210053 HOUSE-IN-THE-HORSESHOE 2735	\$ 3,077.28						\$ 5.60					\$ 2,061.74	\$ 1,014.00			-\$4.06
210054 HISTORIC EDENTON 2737	\$ 13,461.98						\$ 6,591.00		\$ 5,302.57			\$ 326.45	\$ -			\$119.96
210055 POLK MEMORIAL 2739	\$ 8,826.03						\$ 7,300.00					\$ 1,527.99	\$ -			-\$1.96
210056 REED GOLD MINE 2740	\$ 98,260.68						\$ 194.00					\$ 96,299.77	\$ 1,834.54			-\$67.63
210058 TOWN CREEK INDIAN MOUND 2742	\$ 10,717.85						\$ 271.83					\$ 1,482.16	\$ 8,968.55			-\$4.69
210059 VANCE BIRTHPLACE 2743	\$ 1,334.45											\$ 1,101.47	\$ 226.99			\$5.99
210060 THOMAS WOLFE MEMORIAL 2744	\$ 11,344.90					\$ 20.00			\$ 142.05			\$ 11,213.65	\$ 10.35	\$0.08		-\$41.23
210061 HISTORIC STAGVILLE 2746	\$ 14,355.74						\$ 2,987.50		\$ 14.99			\$ 6,437.32	\$ 4,868.00			\$47.93
210062 CSS NEUSE-QUEEN ST 2748	\$ 23,875.96						\$ 3,100.00		\$ 19,317.13	\$ 20.61		\$ 2,314.53	\$ -			\$88.22
210063 STATE CAPITOL VISITOR'S CENTER 2749	\$ 5,128.53						\$ 2,814.00					\$ 2,314.53	\$ -			\$ -
210064 SOMERSET 2750	\$ 7,939.60						\$ 1,200.00			\$ 170.00		\$ 2,532.84	\$ 4,034.39			\$2.37
210065 THOMAS DAY HISTORIC SITE	\$ 288.89											\$ 99.29	\$ 178.00			\$11.60
210765 SHALLOWFORD 2765	\$ 7,200.00						\$ 7,200.00									
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 503,316.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 66,665.18</b>	<b>\$ (0.20)</b>	<b>\$ 500.00</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>	<b>\$ 67,656.73</b>	<b>\$ 4,800.00</b>	<b>\$ 27,929.04</b>	<b>\$ 19,347.87</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 147,182.33</b>	<b>\$ 165,774.54</b>	<b>\$ 2,422.23</b>	<b>\$ (103.72)</b>	<b>\$1,122.00</b>

BUDGET CODE 24807	EXPENDITURES	Personal Services	Purchased Services	Supplies	Property, Plant & Equip	Other Expenses & Adjust
210040 STATE HIST SITES FUND- INTEREST 2720	\$0.00					
210041 ALAMANCE BATTLEGROUND 2721	\$187.85			\$135.73		\$52.12
210042 AYCOCK BIRTHPLACE 2722	\$4,181.97		3,704.60	\$119.96		\$357.41
210043 HISTORIC BATH 2723	\$13,861.92		\$1,843.03	\$11,395.55	\$575.00	\$48.34
210044 BENNETT PLACE 2724	\$10,590.52		\$3,766.69	\$1,146.36	\$5,537.56	\$139.91
210045 BRUNSWICK TOWN 2726	\$1,228.13		\$1,228.13			
210046 CHARLOTTE HAWKINS BROWN MEMORIAL 2727	\$29,926.07		\$21,704.33	\$7,889.97		\$331.77
210047 CSS NEUSE & GOV CASWELL MEMORIAL 2728	\$0.00					
210048 DUKE HOMESTEAD 2729	\$19,594.16	\$10,776.84	\$1,750.10	\$4,258.41	\$2,599.96	\$208.85
210049 FORT DOBBS 2731	\$20,557.85	\$5,942.28	\$9,438.00	\$977.02	\$3,300.00	\$900.55
210050 FORT FISHER 2732	\$56,891.38	\$7,831.53	\$26,714.50	\$20,269.36		\$2,075.99
210051 HISTORIC HALIFAX 2733	\$83,789.00		\$71,265.12		\$10,433.46	\$2,090.42
210052 HORNE CREEK 2734	\$3,460.54			\$2,935.13	\$449.99	\$75.42
210053 HOUSE-IN-THE-HORSESHOE 2735	\$3,021.19			\$1,722.38		\$1,298.81
210054 HISTORIC EDENTON 2737	\$36,998.75	\$10,476.99	\$26,335.32	\$186.44		
210055 POLK MEMORIAL 2739	\$9,998.75	\$9,236.37		\$695.00		\$67.38
210056 REED GOLD MINE 2740	\$90,335.57	\$78,495.29	\$445.00	\$7,840.16		\$3,555.12
210058 TOWN CREEK INDIAN MOUND 2742	\$10,982.63	\$9,906.51		\$1,017.24		\$58.88
210059 VANCE BIRTHPLACE 2743	\$158.41			\$158.41		
210060 THOMAS WOLFE MEMORIAL 2744	\$28,214.31	\$21,928.30	\$4,875.00	\$1,057.11		\$353.90
210061 HISTORIC STAGVILLE 2746	\$6,089.71		\$4,750.00	\$407.35		\$932.36
210062 CSS NEUSE-QUEEN ST 2748	\$9,978.01		\$4,300.00	\$5,392.73		\$285.28
210063 STATE CAPITOL VISITOR'S CENTER 2749	\$2,520.00			\$2,520.00		
210064 SOMERSET 2750	\$4,864.15	\$3,637.25	\$75.00	\$1,065.23		\$86.67
210065 THOMAS DAY HISTORIC SITE						
210765 SHALLOWFORD 2765						
TOTALS	\$447,430.87	\$158,231.36	\$182,194.82	\$71,189.54	\$22,895.97	\$12,919.18

<b>Summary of State History Museums Special Funds FY 2024-25</b>						
<b>Museum</b>	<b>Budget Code</b>	<b>Budget Fund</b>	<b>Beginning Balance</b>	<b>Revenues</b>	<b>Expenditures</b>	<b>Ending Balance</b>
Maritime Museum-Beaufort	24809	210121	\$ -	\$ 8,719.92	\$ 5,062.85	\$ 45,266.91
Maritime Museum-Graveyard of the Atlantic	24809	210125	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Maritime Museum-Southport	24809	210122	\$ -	\$ 4,364.88	\$ -	\$ 4,364.88
Mountain Gateway Museum/Old Fort	24809	210128	\$ -	\$ 63,749.73	\$ 13,374.13	\$ 50,375.60
Museum of History Raleigh	24809	210123	\$ 94,429.34	\$ 16,357.49	\$ 24,436.99	\$ 86,349.84
Museum of the Albemarle	24809	210101	\$ 64,422.12	\$ 6,555.51	\$ 70,977.63	\$ -
Museum of the Albemarle	24808	210127	\$ -	\$ 70,977.63	\$ 29,337.81	\$ 41,639.82
Museum of the Cape Fear	24809	210124	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Tobacco Farm Life Museum	24809	210126	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -

**Note: Museums with special fund activity include more detail on the following pages. Previously coded 24808 accounts are inactive.**

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
MARITIME MUSEUM - BEAUFORT**

**BUDGET CODE: 24809**

**BUDGET FUND: 210121**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<u>7/1/24</u>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	Agency Transfer -- Gift Shop		41,609.84
	Rental of Real Property		8,500.00
	Non-Capital Gifts		219.92
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$50,329.76</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Purchased Services		5,062.85
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$5,062.85</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<u>6/30/25</u>		<b>\$45,266.91</b>

**Brief Description of 210121 Maritime Museum- Beaufort**

This special fund is for the Maritime Museum - Beaufort in accordance with *G.S. § 121-7.7. State Historic Sites and Museums special fund.*

This fund reported \$8,500 in rental income and \$219.92 in non-capital gifts for FY 24-25. Purchased Service expenses included repairs to an agency exhibits truck, a maintenance agreement for a dehumidifier (for artifact preservation) and waste collection.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
MARITIME MUSEUM- GRAVEYARD OF THE ATLANTIC**

**BUDGET CODE: 24809**  
**BUDGET FUND: 210125**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>0.00</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>0.00</b>

**Brief Description of 210125 Graveyard of the Atlantic**

This special fund is for the Graveyard of the Atlantic Museum in accordance with *G.S. § 121-7.7. State Historic Sites and Museums special fund*. There was no activity for this fund in FY 24-25.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
MARITIME MUSEUM-SOUTHPORT**

**BUDGET CODE: 24809**  
**BUDGET FUND: 210122**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	Agency Internal Transfer		4,364.88
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$4,364.88</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$4,364.88</b>

**Brief Description of 210122 Maritime Museum- Southport**

This special fund is for the Maritime Museum-Southport in accordance with G.S. § 121-7.7. *State Historic Sites and Museums special fund*. Revenue for FY 24-25 includes an internal transfer of \$4,364.88 from Southport’s Gift Shop. There were no expenses for FY 24-25.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
MOUNTAIN GATEWAY MUSEUM**

**BUDGET CODE: 24809**

**BUDGET FUND: 210128**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	Agency Internal Transfers		49,470.85
	Other Misc Rev-General		14,278.88
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$63,749.73</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Purchased Services		1,038.72
	Supplies		254.45
	Property, Plant & Equipment		81.00
	Intragovernmental Transactions		11,999.96
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$13,374.13</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$50,375.60</b>

**Brief Description of 210128 Mountain Gateway Museum**

This special fund is for the Mountain Gateway Museum in accordance with *G.S. § 121-7.7. State Historic Sites and Museums special fund.*

MGM was heavily impacted by Hurricane Helene this fiscal year. Revenue for FY 24-25 came from internal agency transfers including funds transferred from Moonshine & Motorsports. Purchased service expenses included lawn service and pest control. Other purchases included replenishment of the museum’s teaching collection, a tent canopy for community outreach and fuel for delivery of furniture purchased to replace items lost in the storm. There was also an internal agency transfer out to the Transportation Museum.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
MUSEUM OF HISTORY-RALEIGH**

**BUDGET CODE: 24809**  
**BUDGET FUND: 210123**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$94,429.34</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	Rental of Real Property		3,250.00
	STIF Interest Income		6,450.51
	Other Misc Rev-General		<u>6,656.98</u>
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$16,357.49</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Purchased Services		17,991.49
	Supplies		5,302.80
	Other Expenses		<u>1,142.70</u>
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$24,436.99</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$86,349.84</b>

**Brief Description of 210123 Museum of History-Raleigh**

This special fund is for the Museum of History-Raleigh in accordance with *G.S. § 121-7.7. State Historic Sites and Museums special fund.*

For FY 24-25, this fund reported \$3,250 in rental income, \$6,450.51 in interest income and \$6,656.98 in miscellaneous revenue which includes Kitchen/ Catering Fees. Purchased Service expenses in the amount of \$17,991.49 included fine arts insurance, the Ziflow Editorial web platform, membership to the American Association of Museums and travel reimbursements for our Division and Regional Directors. Supply purchases in the amount of \$5,302.80 included moving and packing supplies needed for MOH's relocation (due to renovations). Other expenses totaling \$1,142.70 included AASLH membership and Asana, a work management platform for the Education Section.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
MUSEUM OF THE ALBEMARLE**

**BUDGET CODE: 24809**

**BUDGET FUND: 210101 and 210127**

<b>BEGINNING (210127)</b>	<b>BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>				
		Balance Transfer from 210101 (includes STIF Interest Income \$6,555.51)		70,977.63
			<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$70,977.63</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>				
		Purchased Contractual Services		19,248.57
		Supplies		5,818.20
		Property and Equipment		4,271.04
			<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$29,337.81</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>		<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$41,639.82</b>

**Brief Description of 210101 and 210127 Museum of the Albemarle**

The Museum of the Albemarle had two special funds in accordance with G.S. § 121-7.7. *State Historic Sites and Museums special fund*, 210101 and 210127. The two funds for MOA were consolidated and the balance of 210101 was transferred to 210127.

This fund reported \$6,555.51 in STIF interest income during FY 24-25 and total expenses of \$29,337.81. Purchased Service expenses included maintenance contracts for a copier & generator, photo scanning software, boiler control replacement and an emergency repair to a roof leak. Supplies included janitorial supplies, artifact management supplies, office supplies and design materials. Property & Equipment included standing desks for Education, and all in one printer for Administration and replacement of an HVAC return fan VFD.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
MUSEUM OF THE CAPE FEAR**

**BUDGET CODE: 24809**  
**BUDGET FUND: 210124**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>

**Brief Description of 210124 Museum of the Cape Fear**

This special fund is for the Museum of the Cape Fear in accordance with *G.S. § 121-7.7. State Historic Sites and Museums special fund*. There was no activity for this fund in FY 24-25.

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
TOBACCO FARM LIFE MUSEUM**

**BUDGET CODE: 24809**  
**BUDGET FUND: 210126**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>

**Brief Description of 210126 Tobacco Farm Life Museum**

This special fund is for the Tobacco Farm Life Museum in accordance with *G.S. § 121-7.7. State Historic Sites and Museums special fund* There was no activity for this fund in FY 24-25.



**Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
Bentonville Battlefield Special Fund Report  
Required by G.S. § 121-7.5  
September 30, 2025**

**G.S. § 121-7.5. Bentonville Battlefield Fund.**

(a) **Fund.** - The Bentonville Battlefield Fund is created as a special, interest-bearing, and nonreverting fund in the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources, Division of State Historic Sites. The Fund shall be treated as a special trust fund and shall be used for operation, interpretation, maintenance, preservation, development, and expansion at Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site.

(b) **Fund Sources.** - Notwithstanding Chapter 146 of the General Statutes, the Fund consists of (i) all revenue derived from donations, gifts, devises, grants, admissions, and fees collected for the benefit of the Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site, (ii) the net proceeds derived from the sale of real property pursuant to G.S. 146-30(d)(13), and (iii) interest on funds in the Fund credited by the State Treasurer pursuant to G.S. 147-69.2 and G.S. 147-69.3.

(c) **Repealed by Session Laws 2021-180, s. 14.1(d), effective July 1, 2021.**

(d) **Report.** - The Division of State Historic Sites shall submit to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources and the Fiscal Research Division by September 30 of each year a report on the Bentonville Battlefield Fund that shall include the source and amount of all funds credited to the Fund and the purpose and amount of all expenditures from the Fund during the prior fiscal year. (2008-107, s. 19A.1; 2015-241, s. 14.30(s); 2021-180, s. 14.1(d).)

Source: June 2025 Certified and Authorized Budget Reports

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
BENTONVILLE BATTLEFIELD FUND**

**BUDGET CODE: 24806**

**BUDGET FUND: 210030**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$35,038.23</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	STIF Interest		5,160.57
	Rental of Real Property		43,981.00
	Activity/Tour Fees		4,989.67
	Noncapital Gifts		6,316.55
	ACCR-sales tax payable		10.19
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$60,457.98</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Personal Services		45,427.78
	Purchased Services		4,173.02
	Supplies		4,289.88
	Other Expenses		<u>1,661.92</u>
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$55,552.60</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$39,943.61</b>

**Brief Description**

The Battle of Bentonville, fought March 19-21, 1865, is the largest battle ever fought in North Carolina and one of the last major battles in the Civil War. Bentonville Battlefield State Historic Site interprets the battle and the Harper House, a farmhouse used as a field hospital where surgeons treated nearly 600 men wounded in the battle. The site is located at 5466 Harper House Road, Four Oaks, NC 27524, 3 miles north of Newton Grove on S.R. 1008, about one hour from Raleigh and about 45 minutes from Fayetteville.

Bentonville Battlefield continues to grow in both visitation and size. To include the 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary reenactment in March, the site received 98,789 visitors

The Bentonville Battlefield Fund is the primary funding source that pays for yearly programming, five temporary employees, maintenance, mowing contract, and general care and wellbeing of the site. With the ending balance, future projects including new tour stops, battlefield viewshed restorations, battlefield natural restoration, and natural landscape reports will be possible. This fund is the primary source used to ensure Bentonville Battlefield is open and operable to greet our growing visitation needs. Below is brief explanation of both the income and expenditures associated with this account.

- **STIF Interest** is the interest generated from the non-reverting fund.
- **Rental of Real Property** is income generated from rented farm acres. The American Battlefield Trust acquires property, that is then transferred to the state and farm leases are managed at the site.
- **Activity/Tour Fees** is income generated from Harper House tours and guided battlefield tours.
- **Noncapital Gifts** is income generated from non-cash donations and funds received that are not designated for a capital campaign.
- **Personal services** are expenditures that cover our temporary employee staff. The staff is crucial a component of visitor services and Harper House tours.
- **Purchased services** are expenditures that pay for the mowing contract for our 10-mile driving tour.
- **Supplies** are expenditures needed for daily operations at the site.
- **Other expenses** are expenditures needed for computing software required to accept electronic payments.



**Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
North Carolina Transportation Museum  
Special Fund Report  
Required by G.S. § 121-7.6  
September 30, 2025**

**G.S. § 121-7.6. North Carolina Transportation Museum special fund.**

**(a) Fund Established.** - The North Carolina Transportation Museum Fund is created as a special, interest-bearing, nonreverting enterprise fund in the Department of Natural and Cultural Resources. The Fund shall be treated as a special trust fund and shall be used to pay all costs associated with the operation, interpretation, development, expansion, preservation, and maintenance of the North Carolina Transportation Museum.

**(b) Fund Sources.** - Notwithstanding Chapter 146 of the General Statutes, the Fund consists of (i) all revenue derived from donations, gifts, devises, grants, admissions, and fees collected by or for the benefit of the North Carolina Transportation Museum Fund, (ii) the net proceeds derived from the sale of real property pursuant to G.S. 146-30(d)(14), and (iii) interest on funds in the Fund credited by the State Treasurer pursuant to G.S. 147-69.2 and G.S. 147-69.3.

**(c) Emergency Reserve.** - The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources shall establish, out of existing unobligated funds including lapsed salaries and unobligated special funds, an emergency reserve fund in the amount of three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000). Any use of the emergency reserve will require reimbursement from museum receipts.

**(d) Audit.** - The Fund shall be subject to the oversight of the State Auditor pursuant to Article 5A of Chapter 147 of the General Statutes. The Fund shall reimburse the State Auditor for the cost of any audit.

**(e) Report.** - The Department of Natural and Cultural Resources shall submit to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources and the Fiscal Research Division by September 30 of each year a report on the North Carolina Transportation Museum Fund that shall include the source and amount of all funds credited to the Fund and the purpose and amount of all expenditures from the Fund during the prior fiscal year. (2011-145, s. 21.1; 2015-241, s. 14.30(s); 2017-57, s. 14.3(b); 2021-180, s. 14.1(e).)

Source: June 2025 Certified and Authorized Budget Reports

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES**  
**North Carolina Transportation Museum Special Fund**

**BUDGET CODE: 54803**

**FUND CODE: 500653**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$1,031,144.94</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	STIF INT INC-NONOP- PROGRM	Interest	59,558.47
	OTH SALES OF GOODS	Concession income	162.48
	RENTAL OF REAL PROPERTY	Space rental fees	7,382.82
	GATE/ADMISSION FEES	Fees collected for admission	133,053.52
	ACTIVITY/TOUR FEE	Fees collected for turntable rides and specialty tours.	22,375.56
	NONCAPITAL GIFTS	Donation from NCTM Foundation support group for events, gift shop sales and rental per MOA.	717,121.22
	AGENCY TRANSFER IN- AGENCY INTERNAL-DNCR 2614 MOONSHINE & MOTORSPORT TR BC 24805	Transfer for Moonshine and Motorsports Trail Exhibits	25,469.94
	AGENCY TRANSFER IN- AGENCY INTERNAL-DNCR MOUNTAIN GATEWAY MUSEUM BC 24809	Transfer for Moonshine and Motorsports Trail Exhibits	11,999.96
	ACCR-SALES TAX PAYABLE	Acct-sales tax payable	77.99
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$977,045.98</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Personal Services		398,755.17
	Purchased Services		759,011.95
	Supplies		63,081.20
	Other Expenses and Adjust		5,319.06
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$1,226,167.38</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$782,023.54</b>

**BUDGET CODE: 54803**  
**FUND CODE: 500651**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$300,000.00</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			<b>0.00</b>
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			<b>0.00</b>
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$300,000.00</b>

**Brief Description of North Carolina Transportation Museum Special Fund and Emergency Reserve**

Fund 500653

The N.C. Transportation Museum is located at the former Southern Railway SpencerShops, the major steam locomotive repair facility midway between Washington, D.C. and Atlanta, GA. The remaining structures house exhibits highlighting North Carolina’s important transportation history, including aviation railroading, automotive, and trucking. The 60-acre site is packed full of fun things to enjoy such as train rides, interactive exhibits, special events, and a gift shop that offers a wide variety of items.

Onsite visitation in FY 2024-2025 was 164,586 visitors, a decrease of 5,559 visitors, or -3.27%, compared to prior year. Revenue decreased from \$1,125,927.75 to \$977,045.98, or 13.22% over prior year. Revenue decrease was mostly due to \$103,576.48 received during 2023-2024 in State Fiscal Recovery Funds for receipts lost during the pandemic. No recovery funds were recorded for 2024-2025. The Roundhouse was closed fully or partially for most of the year due to wildlife intervention project and roofing/construction project.

Payroll expenditure of \$398,755 included 6.2 FTE Permanent employees. Three of the FTE’s are facilities staff, three FTE’s are Historic Interpreters and 20% of the Collection Manager salary is paid through this fund.

Purchased Services expenses of \$759,011 included \$113,353 in temporary staff expense, \$27,456 in janitorial services and \$32,427 in security services. Utilities expenses including electric, gas and water were \$168,497. \$131,192 expense was for property insurance. Services to repair buildings and equipment were \$56,128. Wildlife intervention contract expense was \$127,723. Other service expenses include telephone and communication service, vehicle rental, registration fees, waste removal and other contract services.

Supplies expenses of \$63,081 included \$57,145 in facilities and hardware supplies, \$1,561 in office supplies, \$4,375 in education supplies expense.

Fund 500651 is a \$300,000 emergency reserve fund per G.S. § 121-7.6(c).



**Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens Fund  
Special Fund Report  
Required by G.S. § 121-21.1  
September 30, 2025**

**G.S. § 121-21.1. Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens Fund.**

**(a) Fund. – The Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens Fund is hereby created as a special, interest-bearing, and nonreverting fund in the Division of Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens. The Fund shall be treated as a special trust fund and shall be used for repair, renovation, expansion, and maintenance at Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens.**

**(b) Fund Sources. – The Fund consists of (i) all revenue derived from admissions and fees collected at the Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens, (ii) the net proceeds derived from the sale of real property pursuant to G.S. 146-30(d)(12), and (iii) interest on funds in the Fund credited by the State Treasurer pursuant to G.S. 147-69.2 and G.S. 147-69.3.**

**(c) Report. – The Tryon Palace Commission shall submit to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources and the Fiscal Research Division by September 30 of each year a report on the Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens Fund that shall include the source and amount of all funds credited to the Fund and the purpose and amount of all expenditures from the Fund during the prior fiscal year. (2005-276, s. 19A.1; 2006-180, s. 1; 2015-241, s. 14.30(vv); 2017-57, s. 14.1(dd); 2021-180, s. 14.1(c).)**

Source: June 2025 Certified and Authorized Budget Reports

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
TRYON PALACE HISTORIC SITES AND GARDENS FUND**

**BUDGET CODE: 24804  
BUDGET FUND 210000**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$1,060,537.35</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	Gate/Admissions Receipts		741,714.66
	STIF Interest		59,499.67
	Non-Capital Gifts	Round-up donations	106.46
	Electronic/Digital Transaction Fees		142.00
	Accrued Sales Tax Payable		335.87
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>\$801,798.66</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Personal Services		740,926.59
	Purchased Services		187,906.08
	Supplies		72,308.67
	Property, Plant & Equipment		4,123.30
	Electronic Payment Processing Fees		19,912.44
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$1,025,177.08</b>
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$837,158.93</b>

**Brief Description of Tryon Palace Historic Sites and Gardens Fund**

The Tryon Palace Fund beginning balance of \$1,060,537.35 supported 12 Permanent Full Time Maintenance positions from Gate Admission Receipts at Tryon Palace, and necessary repair, renovation, and maintenance issues at Tryon Palace.

Beginning Fund Balance \$1,060,537.35

Revenue:

\$ 801,798.66 Admissions Receipts, Interest, Fees, Sales Tax

Expenditures:

Personal Services (\$740,926.59) Salaries/benefits – 12 Permanent FTE

Purchased Services (\$139,707.61) Repairs - Buildings  
(\$ 46,672.67) Repairs – HVAC, painting, electrical

	(\$ 1,321.00)	Fire extinguisher/suppression monitoring
	<u>(\$ 204.80)</u>	Freight shipping charges
	(\$187,906.08)	
Supplies	(\$ 72,308.67)	Carpentry and hardware supplies
Property, Plant & Equipment	(\$ 4,123.30)	Admissions Receipts ticket printer & credit card terminals
Electronic Payment	(\$ 19,912.44)	Processing fees
<u>Ending Fund Balance</u>	<u>\$ 837,158.93</u>	

The Tryon Palace Fund balance of \$837,158.93 will continue to support 12 Permanent Full Time Maintenance positions from Gate Admissions Receipts at Tryon Palace, and necessary repair, renovation and maintenance issues at Tryon Palace. The current annual salaries/benefits cost for the 12 Permanent Full Time Maintenance positions is \$757,527.



**Department of Natural and Cultural Resources  
North Carolina Zoo Special Fund Report  
Required by G.S. § 143B-135.209  
September 30, 2025**

**G.S. § 143B-135.209. North Carolina Zoo Fund. (a) Fund. – The North Carolina Zoo Fund is created as a special fund. The North Carolina Zoo Fund shall be used for the following types of projects at the North Carolina Zoological Park and to match private funds raised for these types of projects: (1) Repair, renovation, expansion, maintenance, and educational exhibit construction. Funds used for repair, renovation, and expansion projects may be transferred to a capital projects fund to account for use of the funds for each project. (2) Renovations of exhibits in habitat clusters, visitor services facilities, and support facilities (including greenhouses and temporary animal holding areas). (3) The acquisition, maintenance, or replacement of tram equipment as required to maintain adequate service to the public. (b) Disposition of Receipts. – All receipts derived from the collection of admissions charges and other fees, the lease or rental of property or facilities, and the disposition of products of the land or structures shall be credited to the North Carolina Zoological Park’s General Fund operating budget. At the end of each fiscal year, the Secretary may transfer from the North Carolina Zoological Park’s General Fund operating budget to the North Carolina Zoo Fund an amount not to exceed the sum of one million five hundred thousand dollars (\$1,500,000) and any donations, gifts, and devises received by the North Carolina Zoological Park. (c) Approval. – The Secretary may approve the use of the North Carolina Zoo Fund for repair and renovation projects at the North Carolina Zoological Park recommended by the Council that comply with the following: (1) The total project cost is less than three hundred thousand dollars (\$300,000). (2) The project meets the requirements of G.S. 143C-8-13(a). (3) The project is paid for from funds appropriated to the Fund. (4) The project does not obligate the State to provide increased recurring funding for operations. (d) Report. – The Department shall submit to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Agriculture and Natural and Economic Resources and the Fiscal Research Division by September 30 of each year a report on the North Carolina Zoo Fund that shall include the source and amounts of all funds credited to the Fund and the purpose and amount of all expenditures from the Fund during the prior fiscal year. (1989, c. 752, s. 154; 1995, c. 324, s. 26.11; 1997-443, s. 11A.119(a); 2000-140, s. 93.1(a); 2001-424, s. 12.2(b); 2005-386, s. 5; 2010-142, s. 4; 2015-241, ss. 14.30(i), (p); 2016-94, s. 16.6(a); 2017-57, ss. 14.3(i), 36.12(f).)**

**DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES  
SPECIAL ZOO FUND**

**BUDGET CODE: 24814**

**BUDGET FUND: 210170**

<b>BEGINNING BALANCE</b>	<b>7/1/24</b>		<b>\$5,585,735.42</b>
<b>REVENUE</b>			
	None		
		<b>TOTAL REVENUES</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>EXPENDITURES</b>			
	Purchased Services		64,097.22
	Intragovernmental Transactions		259,105.50
		<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES</b>	<b>\$323,202.72</b>
<b>CHANGE IN LIABILITY</b>		Adjustment for sales tax payable	31,637.67
<b>ENDING BALANCE</b>	<b>6/30/25</b>		<b>\$5,294,170.37</b>

**Brief Description of Special Zoo Fund**

**Prior Year – FY2025**

- **Purchased Services** – consisted of contract work to install Stonhard surfaces throughout a variety of facilities at the NC Zoo. The Stonhard surface is installed in areas where Zoo animals are held as it is much more durable than regular paint and the surface is easier to maintain.
- **Intragovernmental Transactions** – this consisted of a transfer to the Zoo Electric Vehicle Fast Chargers capital improvement project to be used for the installation of chargers for two electric buses the Zoo obtained for use as shuttles between parking lots.

**Planned Projects**

The Zoo has identified a list of planned improvements utilizing the Special Zoo Fund, including:

Elephant shelters/heat system	\$2,500,000
Security improvements/access control	750,000
Backup generators project	500,000
Animal area camera systems	398,771
Commissary freezer	250,000
Marketing projects	200,000
Watani exclusion fence	150,000
Watani chute updates	100,000
Asia radio system addition	41,270
<b>Total planned projects</b>	<b>\$4,890,041</b>