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Bidwell House Museum Receives Grant from the Lenox Garden Club

Monterey, Mass – June 1, 2017. The Bidwell House Museum, the Berkshires' own early American history museum, is very pleased to announce that they are the recipient of a \$12,000 grant from the Lenox Garden Club. This grant will allow the Museum to create a new series of educational garden beds around the recently refurbished entrance to the Museum.

Executive Director Heather Kowalski noted “We are so grateful to the Lenox Garden Club for approving our grant request. The Museum recently finished work on a new accessible entry into the Museum. This new walkway will be further enhanced by educational garden beds planted with native species familiar to the 18th century residents of the home, signage to provide visitors with information about the plants and a brochure. The Museum would not have been able to move forward with the educational component of the project without this very generous grant from the Lenox Garden Club.” The Museum hopes to have the new garden beds planted and the signage complete by late summer.

The Bidwell House Museum is located at 100 Art School Road. For more information, please call [413-528-6888](tel:413-528-6888) or go to www.bidwellhousemuseum.org.

The Bidwell House Museum is a New England heritage site providing a personal encounter with history, early American home life, and the Berkshire landscape through its land, house and collection. The Museum is a non-profit educational institution for the benefit of the community and today's audiences of all ages, dedicated to preservation, scholarship and enjoyment of the landmark site.

The Museum is open Thursdays to Mondays (closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays) from 11 am to 4 pm with tours on the hour, Memorial Day to Columbus Day. The museum grounds -- 192 acres of gardens, woods, fields, historic stonewalls, trails and picnic sites -- are open all year free of charge. The program of events can be found on the museum's website: www.bidwellhousemuseum.org.