Historic Preservation Fund Grant Programs

Formula Grant Programs - Non-competitive Grants
Apportioned by formula to each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the 5 territories, the 3 Freely Associated States (Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau) and to the approximately 200 Federally recognized Tribes that have historic preservation offices. These grants have been awarded since 1977 to the States and since 1996 to the Tribes. Since 1980, ten percent of each State's allocation has been distributed to Certified Local Governments.

These awards support the following activities:
1. Survey and inventory of historic archeological and built resources
2. Review of projects to understand the potential impact on cultural resources and review of projects as part of compliance with state/federal/local laws
3. Writing nominations to the National Register of Historic Places and nominating resources to the National Register
4. Administration of a pass-through grant program to local governments and certification of eligible local governments as NPS partners (States only; we are currently partnered with more than 2,000 of these local governments)
5. Preparation of planning documents (historical preservation planning, including disaster mitigation)
6. Administration of and public assistance with the federal Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit program, including technical support to applicants
7. Administration of the grant award
8. Construction (called development) projects to support the physical preservation (repair) of historic buildings or structures and/or archeology

Competitive Grant Programs - Project Grants
- African American Civil Rights Grants: to States, Tribes, local governments, and nonprofits for physical preservation and history projects which document, interpret, and preserve the sites and stories related to African American Civil Rights.
- Historically Black Colleges & Universities Grants (HBCUs): to support physical preservation projects on National Register listed buildings or properties on HBCU campuses.
- History of Equal Rights Grants: to preserve and protect sites associated with efforts of all Americans to achieve equal rights.
- Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants Program: to provide funds to States, Tribes, local governments, and nonprofits to administer a subgrant program to encourage economic revitalization in rural communities.
- Save America’s Treasures: for the preservation and conservation of nationally significant properties and collections; eligible applicants are States, Tribes, local governments, nonprofits, and Federal agencies funded by the Department of the Interior and related agencies except for the National Park Service.
- Semiquincentennial: to provide funds for state-owned properties related to the founding of the nation; eligible applicants are States, Tribes, local governments, and nonprofits.
- Tribal Heritage Grants: to Federally recognized tribes for cultural and historic preservation projects.
- Underrepresented Community Grants: to increase the diversity of resources listed in the National Register of Historic Places; eligible recipients States, Tribes, local governments.

Disaster Grants - Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund Grants
We currently administer two $50 million programs to support recovery efforts from Hurricanes Florence and Michael and Super Typhoon Yutu and from Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria.

Assistance Listings: Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers by Grant Program
15.904 - Formula grants to States, Tribes; African American Civil Rights, History of Equal Rights, Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization, Semiquincentennial, Tribal Heritage Grants, Underrepresented Communities
15.929 - Save America’s Treasures
15.932 - Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)
15.957 - Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund

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