



Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program (HRSP)



Waitsfield Village, VT

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Who May Apply

- Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c), U.S organizations
- Tribal Historic Preservation Offices
- State Historic Preservation Offices
- Certified Local Governments (list provided at [go.nps.gov/clg](https://www.nps.gov/clg))

Eligible Subgrant Recipients

- Properties listed in or determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places
- Properties located in areas defined as rural by the U.S. Census (less than 50,000) <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/>
- Properties within the grantee's jurisdiction

What Is Funded

The goal of the Historic Revitalization Subgrant program is to support the rehabilitation of historic properties at the National, State, and local level of significance in order to rehabilitate, protect, and foster economic development of rural communities through subgrants to States, Tribes, Certified Local Governments, and non-profits able to support a subgrant program. This program will fund physical preservation projects for historic sites to include architectural/engineering services and physical preservation.

What Is Not Funded

- Construction of new buildings
- Acquisition of collections or historic sites
- Long-term maintenance or curatorial work beyond the grant period
- Reconstructing historic properties (recreating all or a significant portion that no longer exists)
- Moving or work on moved historic properties that are no longer eligible for listing in the NRHP
- Cash reserves, endowments, revolving funds, or fund-raising costs
- Work performed prior to announcement of award
- Lobbying or advocacy activities
- Costs for work already completed or funded through other federal programs
- Administrative costs may not be over 25% of the total project budget
- Miscellaneous costs, contingencies, reserves, and overhead

Grant Amounts

Grant awards may range from \$100,000 to \$750,000.

Please note that the selection panel may, at its discretion, award less than these minimum grant requests.

Selection Process

NPS personnel and qualified Federal employees will review all complete proposals using the criteria outlined below. Reviewers' evaluations are based solely on the material provided in the application. Additional materials not specifically required by the application, and materials sent separately from the application, will not be considered. A summary of the review panel comments may be provided to the applicant if requested after the grant process is complete. Panel recommendations will be made to the Secretary of the Interior who will select successful applicants and forward to the House and Senate Committees on Appropriations. NPS will conduct risk assessments on all projects prior to funding.

Evaluation and Selection Criteria

Project descriptions must address, and applications will be rated on, each of the criteria listed below. NPS will evaluate and consider only **complete** applications that separately address each of the five criteria. All criteria are rated equally.

1. Subgrant Program Objectives: Explain the proposed subgrant program objectives to include:

- Describe the historic resources eligible to apply and their significance at the National, State, Tribal, or local level.
- Discuss how this program will preserve the history of the rural community for future generations.
- Define how the program will foster economic development of rural communities.
- Describe organizational experience with and ability to programmatically and financially manage a Federal subgrant program and support the continued monitoring of easement/covenant/preservation agreements that will be required.

2. Need/Urgency/Threat: Describe the need, urgency, and threat the subgrant program addresses and what activities are necessary to achieve the program objectives. Include preservation and economic factors. Discuss how the program is the next logical step toward community preservation.

3. Feasibility: List and describe all program tasks and their anticipated results.

- Discuss elements in budget justification (separate document) to show that costs are necessary, reasonable, and allowable. Match is not required, but will be considered as a competitive factor.
- Demonstrate how the program will be accomplished within the given timeframe (2-3 years) and with the given resources, while meeting all federal requirement and guidelines.
- Briefly describe who will be involved in managing the program and their qualifications, attach resumes/CVs as applicable.

4. Sustainability: Describe how the subgrant program meets the goals of relevant Statewide, Tribal or Local Historic preservation plans. Identify the specific goals, plan(s), and when they were developed and adopted.

- Describe the impacts of the program after completion, including long lasting effects and how those results will be measured.
- Describe the public-private partnerships and community engagement involved in the program and how these partnerships will sustain and continue to support the resource(s) after the subgrants are complete.

5. Department Priorities: Describe how your project advances the Department of Interior priorities:

- Modernizing our infrastructure: Remove impediments to infrastructure development and facilitate private sector efforts to construct infrastructure projects serving American needs; and
- Restoring trust with local communities: Expand the lines of communication with Governors, state natural resource offices, Fish and Wildlife offices, water authorities, county commissioners, Tribes, and local communities.

Process and Deadlines

This program is administered by the National Park Service. A total of \$4.8 million will be available for FY2018. The opportunity to apply will be open on grants.gov in early 2019. All applications are due by 11:59 PM on March 1, 2018. All applications must be submitted through grants.gov under opportunity number **P19AS00015**. No paper applications will be accepted. Registration in grants.gov, sam.gov, and other federal systems can take up to four weeks, so please start early. Extensions will not be granted due to incomplete registrations in these systems.

Additional Information

Visit go.nps.gov/revitalization for information about this grant program.

For more information on our other programs, please visit www.nps.gov/stlpg

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