

ANNOUNCEMENT OF GRANT AVAILABILITY

LOUISIANA STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE *2025-2026 Historic Preservation Fund Grants*

Mission

The Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office (LASHPO) is composed of the Division of Archaeology and the Division of Historic Preservation as components of the Office of Cultural Development, Division of Culture, Recreation, and Tourism. The Office of Cultural Development serves the citizens of Louisiana by preserving, supporting, developing, and promoting Louisiana culture, including archaeology, arts, French language, and historic resources.

Overview

Each year the State Historic Preservation Office distributes an allocation of federal funds for projects through a competitive grant process. These historic preservation funds are provided by the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior. Grant awards are generally between \$3,000 and \$80,000. The grant performance period is from October 1, 2025, to September 15, 2026. Funding is contingent upon the LA SHPO annual award from the National Park Service Historic Preservation Fund and State General Fund appropriations.

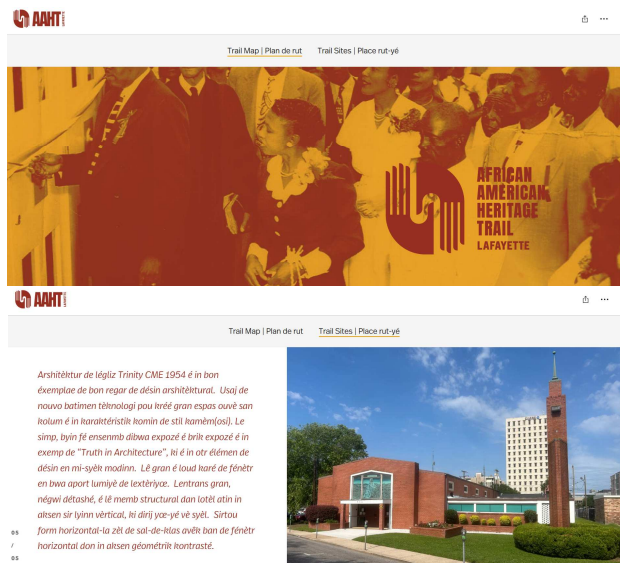
Applicants

Past LA SHPO Historic Preservation Fund Grant recipients include historic preservation organizations, parish governments, economic development districts, planning commissions, state agencies, municipal governments, educational institutions, historic district commissions, and Certified Local Governments.

Eligible Project Types

- Preparation of National Register of Historic Places nominations
- Completing LA Historic Resource Inventory (LHRI) survey forms
- Historic preservation-related education, training, and public information activities

- Documentation of historic resources via NPS Historic American Building Survey (HABS), Historic American Engineering Record (HAER), and Historic American Landscape Survey (HALS)
- Development of preservation plans, historic district guidelines, historic structure condition assessments, and feasibility reports for historic resources
- Development of digital content/websites supporting and promoting historic resources
- Certified Local Government projects and training programs
- Other historic preservation-related projects identified in the HPF Grants Manual (available at https://www.crt.state.la.us/Assets/OCD/hp/grants/NPShistoricfunding-2014/HPF_Manual.pdf)



FY2023-24 HPF Grant Lafayette Certified Local Government development of African American Heritage Trail website
<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/ce4b693ee9304fbbd61f9e6047e36a1>

Preservation Priorities

In FY 2025/2026, LASHPO/DHP will give special priority to **Goal 4, Objectives 4c (surveys) and 4f (NRHP listings)**, focusing on Rural Areas as defined in RS 47:6019, B(1)(e), to complete resurveys of existing districts dating prior to 1990, and new surveys with the potential of future NRHP districts. Other proposals that relate to ongoing state and federally-mandated programs and initiatives outlined in the LA SHPO Louisiana Comprehensive Plan will also be considered. See *First We Make a Roux: Ingredients for Preservation Partnerships in Louisiana: 2017-2025* at <https://www.crt.state.la.us/cultural-development/historic-preservation/grants/national-park-service-historic-preservation-fund-grants/index>

These objectives include but are not limited to:

- Goal 1: Expand existing partnerships and collaborations and establish new partnerships and collaborations beyond the preservation community.
- Goal 2: Emphasize the importance of education and public knowledge.
- Goal 3: Build visibility.
- Goal 4: Expand and promote historic preservation services and programs.
- Goal 5: Continue to build ways to identify and protect historic properties.



FY 2023-2024 HPF Grant, ULL School of Architecture & Design
Historic American Buildings Survey & StoryMap
La Maison Creole de Freetown
<https://arccg.is/0BRB5K>

To learn more about the Division of Historic Preservation, view this [VIDEO](#) about the programs we offer.



LEH Documentary Film of the Year

FY 2023-2024 HPF Grant LA Architecture Foundation film "Ancestral Artistry: The Influence of Africans & Creoles of Color on Louisiana Architecture"

[TRAILER](#)

Grant Awards

Historic Preservation Fund grants are **reimbursable only** and require matching funds on a **60% grant versus 40% match basis**. This means project funds must first be expended by the grantee and are then reimbursed upon presentation of required documentation (receipts, invoices, cancelled checks, payroll documentation, etc.). An individual or entity may submit no more than two applications.

NOTE: PER NPS REQUIREMENTS, ALL FINAL GRANT DELIVERABLES ARE MADE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC.

Information and Application Instructions

Letter of Interest	Due April 21, 2025
<u>Application opens</u>	10:00am CDT May 2, 2025
<u>Application closes</u>	10:00pm CDT May 30, 2025
Grant Selection	July 2025
Notice of Award	August 2025 (approximate)
Grant Start	October 1, 2025
Grant End	September 15, 2026

For Letter of Interest form and Application information, see [Forms and Documents](https://www.crt.state.la.us/cultural-development/historic-preservation/grants/national-park-service-historic-preservation-fund-grants/index) at <https://www.crt.state.la.us/cultural-development/historic-preservation/grants/national-park-service-historic-preservation-fund-grants/index>

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