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## Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office

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### ANNOUNCEMENT OF GRANT AVAILABILITY

### *2017-2018 Historic Preservation Fund Grants*

#### **Mission**

The Louisiana State Historic Preservation Office (LASHPO), a component of the Office of Cultural Development, is composed of the Division of Archaeology and the Division of Historic Preservation. 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 places.

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#### **Overview**

Each year the State Historic Preservation Office distributes an allocation of federal funds for projects through a competitive grants process. These funds are from the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior.

*Projects in the following categories are eligible*

- Survey and Inventory
- Cultural Resource Documentation
- Preservation Planning
- Educational and Public Outreach Activities
- National Register Nominations

Previously funded projects include the development of preservation plans; surveys of historic districts; the preparation of National Register Nominations; Historic American Building Survey (HABS) documentation; and educational activities to promote historic preservation.

For Certified Local Governments (CLGs), examples of previously funded projects include developing design guidelines for historic districts; municipal Historic Resource Inventory Surveys; feasibility studies on a single historic building or groups of historic buildings; conditions assessments and historic structures reports; public information projects relative to historic preservation; education projects relative to historic preservation; and historic preservation training programs for officials and local citizens.

*Claiborne Parish Courthouse, Homer, Louisiana*



*Town of Homer Historic District*

*FY 2015-16 HPF/CLG Grant Recipient for Historic Standing Structures Survey*

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## Priorities

In 2017, LASHPO will give **special priority to Historic Standing Structure Surveys**, of properties fifty years and older within those Louisiana Parishes where no parish-wide survey or partial parish-wide survey has been completed. However, other preservation oriented projects are eligible under the following categories.

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### Identifying and Protecting Historic Properties

- Identifying and evaluating important historic buildings, structures, and sites
- Developing historic structure reports
- Conducting Historic American Building Surveys (HABS), using HABS as an educational tool for the cultural economy, highlighting issues such as traditional design and building practices, cultural and historic trends or traditions



Image from *THE NEW ORLEANS SHOTGUN HOUSE*

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FY 2015-16 HPF Grant for Manuscript Publication

Fig. 3.18 Detail of the commemorative painting, "Under My Wings, Every Thing Prospers".

By Bouqueto de Woiseri, December, 1803. The image shows a guard house for a saw-mill (in background). The canal which powers the waterwheel of the mill is today at Elisian Fields Ave., near River Road. The house is in the form of a Haitian *ti-kay*, or "small House."

Image courtesy the Historic New Orleans Collection.

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### Expanding Education and Public Knowledge

- Hosting workshops and seminars to inform local district commissioners and local citizens about innovative ways to increase historic preservation initiatives within their communities
- Collaborating with university students to produce National Register nominations
- Providing preservation information to the public via magazines, newspapers, television, exhibits, talks, workshops, seminars, etc.

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### Funding Availability

Grant awards generally are between \$3,000 and \$75,000. The grant period is from July 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018.

Funding is contingent upon LASHPO's annual appropriation from the National Park Service Historic Preservation Fund and State General Fund appropriations.

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## Applicants

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

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## Grant Awards

Grant funds must be matched by non-federal monies on at least a 50/50 basis, though grantees may elect to overmatch. In addition, funds are distributed on a reimbursable basis, i.e., the recipient makes an expenditure and is subsequently reimbursed for the grant portion of the expenditure, once the necessary billing documentation is received. An individual or entity may submit no more than two applications.

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## Grant Schedule

Grant Applications due	May 15, 2017
Grant Selection	June 2017
Notice of Award	June 20, 2017
<b>Grant Period</b>	<b>July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018</b>

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## Information and Application

To apply for grant, please visit:

<http://www.crt.state.la.us/cultural-development/historic-preservation/grants/national-park-service-historic-preservation-fund-grants/>

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