

# South Dakota State Historic Preservation Office Funding Guide 2021

## **Background**

The South Dakota State Historical Society developed the Funding Guide in an effort to assist the people of South Dakota to find resources for preservation and building projects. The South Dakota State Historical Society does not make claims that these organizations are currently accepting applications or have funds available. Most organizations require certain criteria for applications.

The guide is divided into local, state, federal, and non-profit programs. Programs appear only once in the guide, so make sure you look at the index. Our office staff has made every effort to create a user-friendly booklet.

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**Local Programs**

**City of Brookings:**

<https://cityofbrookings-sd.gov/>

(605) 692-6281

**Brookings Housing Trust Fund:**

The purpose of this program is to help advance the creation and availability of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable housing for middle- and low-income residents of Brookings, South Dakota. The program provides funds to developers and/or owners for acquisition, new construction, and rehabilitation of multifamily rental housing.

<https://cityofbrookings-sd.gov/480/Affordable-Housing-Task-Force>.

<https://sdhda.org/housing-development/housing-trust-fund>.

**City of Deadwood:**

<https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/>

(605) 578-2082

**Grant/Loan Fund for Historic Properties Outside Deadwood:**

This program promotes the preservation and interpretation of historic sites, buildings, and properties throughout the state and for properties that contribute to an understanding of Deadwood's unique history. National Historic Landmarks or National Register properties owned and operated by not-for-profit or governmental entities are welcome to apply. Other projects with a relationship to Deadwood's history organized by not-for-profits are also encouraged to apply. For more information contact the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission or visit

<https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/historic-preservation/page/outside-deadwood-grant-program>.

**Paint Grant Program:**

The Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission recognizes that pride of ownership is a valuable resource and improves the quality of life in this community. Use of the Paint Grant Program is expected to preserve and protect Deadwood's historic residences and make the City more attractive for residents and visitors alike. To be eligible for a grant a project must meet the following criteria: the property must be residential property located within the Deadwood city limits with no more than four living units, must be a contributing resource in the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District or eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. For more information contact the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission or visit

<https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/historic-preservation/page/paint-grant-program>.

**Retaining Wall Grant Program:**

The Historic Preservation Commission has established the Retaining Wall Grant Program to assist residents with the preservation and restoration of historic Deadwood's many historic retaining walls. The program is meant to encourage property owners to preserve their historic properties and perform quality restoration of their historic retaining walls by providing residents with financial assistance. To be eligible for a grant a project must meet the following criteria: the retaining wall must be associated

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with a residential property located within the Deadwood city limits, and meet one of the following criteria – 1) be a historic contributing feature in the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District (DNHLD), or 2) physical condition of wall must threaten historic integrity of a historic or contributing structure in the DNHLD, or 3) physical condition of the wall must threaten individual life-safety. For more information contact the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission or visit <https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/historic-preservation/page/retaining-wall-program>.

### Revolving Loan Funds:

- Commercial:

The objective of the loan program is to stimulate the quality restoration and protection of the buildings and structures that contribute to the historic integrity of the City of Deadwood. To be eligible for a loan a project must meet the following criteria: the project must exist within the Deadwood city limits as part of a commercial structure, be a contributing structure to the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District or affect individual life-safety. For more information contact the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission or visit

<https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/historic-preservation/page/commercial-revolving-loan-fund-program>

- Elderly Homeowners:

The purpose of this loan fund is to assist and encourage property owners to restore and protect their properties through the use of quality materials and craftsmanship. To be eligible for a loan a project must meet the following criteria: the project must exist within the Deadwood city limits and be associated with a residential property, applicant must have owned/occupied the residence for one year prior, and the applicant must be at least 65 years of age. The property must also be a contributing structure to the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District and must affect individual life-safety. For more information contact the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission or visit

<https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/historic-preservation/page/elderly-resident-program>.

- Residential:

The purpose of this loan fund is to assist and encourage property owners to restore and protect their properties through the use of quality materials and craftsmanship. To be eligible for a loan a project must meet the following criteria: the project must exist within the Deadwood city limits and be a residential property, must also be listed on the 1994 Historic Sites Inventory or be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places or affect individual life-safety. For more information contact the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission or visit

<https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/historic-preservation/page/residential-programs>.

- Vacant properties:

The objective of the loan program is to stimulate the quality restoration and protection of the buildings and structures that contribute to the historic integrity of the City of Deadwood. To be eligible for a loan a project must meet the following criteria: the project must exist within the Deadwood city limits, must exist as part of a residential property that is a contributing resource to the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District, the property must be vacant two years prior to date of purchase, and owner must apply for funding within three months of purchase. For more information contact the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission or visit

<https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/historic-preservation/page/vacant-home-program>.

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### Siding Program:

The Historic Preservation Commission has established the Siding Removal Program to assist and encourage property owners to use quality materials and craftsmanship by repairing first, where possible, and replacing, only if necessary. The objective of the program is to stimulate the quality restoration and protection of buildings and structures that contribute to the historic integrity of the City of Deadwood. To be eligible a property must be residential and a contributing structure to the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District or must be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. For more information contact the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission or visit <https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/historic-preservation/page/siding-program>.

### Wood Windows and Doors Program:

The Historic Preservation Commission has established the Wood Windows and Doors Program to assist residents in the preservation and restoration of properties. To be eligible a property must be residential and a contributing structure to the Deadwood National Historic Landmark District or must be eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. For more information contact the Deadwood Historic Preservation Commission or visit <https://www.cityofdeadwood.com/historic-preservation/page/wood-windows-and-doors-program>.

### **City of Mitchell:**

<https://www.cityofmitchell.org/>

(605) 995-8420

### Mitchell Main Street Revolving Loan Fund:

This fund is a local resource available to downtown business and property owners to make visible improvements to the historic commercial district. The goal of this fund is to improve the aesthetic appeal of downtown Mitchell and encourage economic renewal. For more information contact the Mitchell Historic Preservation Commission or visit <https://www.mitchellmainstreet.com/historic-preservation>.

### **City of Yankton:**

<https://www.cityofyankton.org/>

(605) 668-5251

### Downton Yankton Façade Grant Program:

This program is a 50% public and 50% private matching funds grant available to owners and tenants of existing commercial properties in the downtown Yankton area with the purpose of upgrading the appearance of the publicly visible exterior of structures. Owners and tenants of existing commercial property excluding single family residences located in an area south of 5<sup>th</sup> Street between Linn Street and Burleigh Street are eligible to apply for assistance. The maximum grant amount of any one single project is \$30,000 or 50% of the project cost – whichever is less, per tenant or property owner per year. For more information, contact Brad Bies, Community Development Manager, (605) 668-5251 or <https://www.cityofyankton.org/departments-services/community-development/downtown-facade-grant-program>.

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**State Programs**

**South Dakota Department of Social Services:**

<https://dss.sd.gov/>

(605) 773-3165

**Low-Income Energy Assistance Program (LIEAP):**

This program provides financial assistance to low income South Dakota households to pay their home heating bills. Energy assistance does not pay the full cost of a family's home heating. The program assists those families who would otherwise be unable to pay the cost of their home heating. Maximum payments for the lowest income households are approximately 70% of the entire heating cost. Applications, eligibility rules, types of assistance, and benefit levels can vary greatly among LIEAP programs. <https://dss.sd.gov/economicassistance/energyassistance/lowincome.aspx>.

**Weatherization Assistance Program (WAP):**

The WAP enables low-income families to permanently reduce their energy bills by making their homes more energy efficient. If you receive Supplemental Security Income or Aid to Families with Dependent Children, you are automatically eligible to receive weatherization services. In other cases, states give preference to people over 60 years of age, families with one or more members with a disability, and families with children. Those who qualify for the program should call the Department of Social Services or visit

<https://dss.sd.gov/economicassistance/energyassistance/weatherization.aspx>.

**South Dakota Department of Transportation:**

<https://dot.sd.gov/>

(605) 773-3265

**The National Scenic Byways Program:**

The mission is to provide resources to the byway community in creating a unique travel experience and enhanced local quality of life through efforts to preserve, protect, interpret, and promote the intrinsic qualities of designated byways. Under the National Scenic Byways (NSB) Program, the U.S. Secretary of Transportation recognizes certain roads as National Scenic Byways or All-American Roads based on their archaeological, cultural, historic, natural, recreational, and scenic qualities. The National Scenic Byways Discretionary Grants program provides funding for byway-related projects each year, as part of the Federal Highway Administrations Discretionary Grants Program. Projects to support and enhance National Scenic Byways, All-American Roads and State-designated byways are eligible. Applications are prepared online but submitted through the State's byway program agency; for more information: <https://dot.sd.gov/programs-services/programs/scenic-byways>.

**Transportation Alternatives Grant (TA):**

This program provides funding opportunities to help expand transportation choices and enhance the transportation experience through nine eligible activities related to surface transportation, including historic preservation and vegetation management in transportation rights-of-way. The definition of "historic" may vary from state-to-state, but usually means that a site is eligible to be or is listed on the National Register of Historic Places. In general, the Federal share is 80 percent, with a 20 percent

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state and/or local match. Dozens of historic railroad depots have been restored across the country through the aid of Transportation Enhancements grants. Some are still active railroad stations while others have become museums or community centers. For more information:

[https://dot.sd.gov/programs-services/programs/transportation-alternatives#listItemLink\\_1420](https://dot.sd.gov/programs-services/programs/transportation-alternatives#listItemLink_1420).

### **South Dakota Housing Development Authority:**

<https://sdhda.org/>

(605) 773-3181

#### Community Home Improvement Program (CHIP):

This program provides low interest loans for eligible borrowers for the improvement or repair to the borrower's present single family home. Income limits are slightly lower than those for First Time Homebuyer Program. Total gross household income together with the county the home is located in will determine the interest rate (the income limits change annually). To apply, contact a CHIP Participating Lender. The Participating Lender will originate, process, and close the CHIP loan. Current Participating Lenders: BankWest, Inc., CorTrust Bank, CU Mortgage Direct, LLC, Dacotah Bank, First Fidelity Bank, First Bank and Trust-Brookings, and State Bank of Alcester, or visit the SDHA website at <https://sdhda.org/homeownership/home-improvement>.

#### Emergency Solutions Grants Program:

This program is designed to help improve the quality of existing emergency shelters for the homeless, to make additional emergency shelters available, to meet the costs of operating emergency shelters and providing essential social services to homeless individuals, and to help prevent homelessness. It includes short-term and medium-term rental assistance and services to stabilize and rapidly re-house individuals and households who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless. For more information contact Denise Albertson, Emergency Solutions Grants and Homeless Management Information system Administrator at (605) 773-2598 or visit <https://sdhda.org/social-programs/emergency-solutions-grants-program>.

#### First Time Homebuyer Program:

This program provides low interest fixed interest rate mortgage loans and cash assistance for homebuyers purchasing their first home in the state of South Dakota. SDHDA Participating Lenders originate, process, and close the loans. The borrower's gross annual income may not exceed federally imposed income limits which vary based on family size and the county in which the home is located. The property must not exceed the federally-imposed maximum purchase price limits, which vary based on the county in which the home is located. SDHDA offers both a fixed interest rate and a fixed rate plus. Call SDHDA for information or visit <https://www.sdhda.org/homeownership/first-time-homebuyer>.

#### HOME Program:

This program's objective is to expand the supply of decent, safe, sanitary, and affordable low and moderate income housing, to strengthen the abilities of state and local governments to design and implement strategies for achieving adequate supplies of decent and affordable housing, to provide financial and technical assistance in participating jurisdictions, and to extend partnerships among all levels of government and the private sector including for profit and nonprofit organizations, in the



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production and operation of affordable housing. Eligible activities include new construction, rehabilitation, rental conversion, rental acquisition with rehabilitation, rental refinancing with rehabilitation, homeowner rehabilitation, and homebuyer programs. For more information call DeNeil Hosman, Housing Development Officer at (605) 773-4247 or visit <https://sdhda.org/housing-development/home-program>.

### Housing Tax Credit:

This credit is an incentive for construction and/or preservation of safe, sanitary and affordable housing in areas of the greatest housing need. A minimum of either 20 percent of the total units must be available to tenants whose incomes do not exceed 50 percent of the area median gross income or 40 percent of the total units must be available to tenants whose incomes do not exceed 60 percent of the area median gross income. The project owner must also enter into an agreement to meet the low income occupancy requirements for a minimum of 15 years beyond the initial 15 year compliance period. For more information call SDHDA or visit <https://sdhda.org/housing-development/housing-tax-credits>.

### **South Dakota Governor's Office of Economic Development:**

<https://sdgoed.com/>

(605) 773-4633

### Agricultural Processing and Export (APEX) Loan Program:

This loan program is designed to assist companies in communities with a population of 25,000 or less, which add value to raw agricultural products through processing, or export a minimum of 75% of its product to entities outside the State of South Dakota or replace an import. The program is open to for-profit businesses and local economic development corporations. The money can be used to purchase land, purchase equipment, or buy or renovate a building. This program may provide up to 75% of the total project cost and requires 10% minimum equity contribution. For more information contact the South Dakota Governor's Office of Economic Development or visit <https://sdgoed.com/financing-incentives/>.

### Community Development Block Grant/State's Program:

The objective of this program is the development of viable urban communities by providing a suitable living environment, and expanding economic opportunities, principally for persons of low- and moderate-income. Eligible applicants include all incorporated municipalities and counties (with the exception of Rapid City, Sioux Falls, and Tribal governments). Projects must meet one of the program's objectives: promote more rational land use, provide increased economic opportunities for low and moderate income persons, or correct deficiencies in public facilities that affect the public health, safety or welfare, especially of low and moderate income persons.

Program areas include:

Entitlement Communities: allocates annual grants to larger cities and urban counties to develop viable communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and opportunities to expand economic opportunities, principally for low- and moderate-income persons.

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Non-Entitlement Communities or State Administered CDBG: States award grants to smaller units of general local government that carry out community development activities. Among eligible projects are acquisition of property, construction of public works, and rehabilitation of public and private buildings.

Section 108 Loan Guarantee Program: Entitlement communities are eligible to apply for assistance and may receive a loan guarantee directly or designate another public entity to carry out their Section 108 assisted project. Non-entitlement communities may also apply provided their State agrees to pledge the funds necessary to secure the loan.

Disaster Recovery Assistance: Flexible grants to help cities, counties and States recover from presidentially declared disasters, especially in low-income areas, subject to availability of supplemental appropriations.

To apply for this program call the Governor's Office of Economic Development at (605) 773-4633. For more information, visit

<https://sdgoed.com/financing-incentives/community-development-block-grants/>

### Revolving Economic Development and Initiative (REDI) Fund Loan:

This fund is designed to help promote job growth in South Dakota. This low-interest loan fund is available to start-up firms, business that are expanding or relocating, and local economic development corporations. The REDI Fund provides up to 45% of a project's total cost. Costs eligible for participation may include: construction, acquisition or renovation of buildings, the purchase of land and associated site improvements, and the purchase and installation of machinery and equipment. For more information contact the South Dakota Governor's Office of Economic Development or visit <https://sdgoed.com/public-records/revolving-economic-development-initiative/>.

### **South Dakota State Historic Preservation Office:**

<https://history.sd.gov/default.aspx/>

(605) 773-3458

### Deadwood Fund Grant:

This program provides an opportunity to leverage financial resources for the acquisition, retention, or rehabilitation of historic buildings, structures, and sites listed in the National Register of Historic Places. Matching grants worth from \$1,000 to \$25,000 will be awarded to worthy projects which meet *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties* and other criteria. For an application packet and more information, contact the State Historic Preservation Office or visit <https://history.sd.gov/preservation/fundingopportunities.aspx>.

### Historic Preservation Investment Tax Credit Programs:

These programs are available for the rehabilitation and adaptive re-use of historic buildings. A 20% income tax credit is available for the rehabilitation of historic, income-producing buildings listed in the National Register of Historic Places. For an application form and more information, contact the State Historic Preservation Office or visit

<https://history.sd.gov/preservation/fundingopportunities.aspx>.

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### State Property Tax Moratorium:

Restoration and rehabilitation projects of properties listed in the State or National Registers of Historic Places may qualify for an 8 year property tax moratorium on the property tax assessment of certified improvements. Projects must meet *The Secretary of the Interior's Standards for Rehabilitation Treatment of Historic Properties*, receive approval by the South Dakota State Historical Society Board of Trustees, and property owners must sign a covenant running with the moratorium guaranteeing the maintenance and preservation of historic features. For more information, contact the State Historic Preservation Office or visit <https://history.sd.gov/preservation/fundingopportunities.aspx>

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**Federal Programs**

**National Park Service:**

<https://www.nps.gov/preservation-grants/>

**American Battlefield Protection Program Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants:**

The purpose is to assist citizens, public and private institutions, and governments at all levels in planning, interpreting, and protecting sites where historic battles were fought on American soil during the armed conflicts that shaped the growth and development of the United States, in order that present and future generations may learn and gain inspiration from the ground where Americans made their ultimate sacrifice. Citizens, Federal, State, local, and tribal governments, other public entities, educational institutions, and private nonprofit organizations utilize grants in identifying, researching, evaluating, interpreting, and protecting historic battlefields and associated sites on a National, State, and local level. Any battlefield on American soil is eligible for this grant. For more information visit <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/battlefields/battlefield-land-acquisition-grant-program.htm>.

**American Battlefield Protection Program Battlefield Preservation Planning Grants:**

Funds and preserves any battlefield or associated site on American soil, funding projects that relate to planning, interpreting, and protecting historic battlefields and sites associated with armed conflicts. Typical awards range from \$30,000 to \$150,000 and do not require, but encourages, matching funds or in-kind services. Types of projects may include: site identification and documentation projects, planning and consensus building projects, and interpretation or education projects. These grants **do not fund** land acquisition or capital improvement projects. For more information visit <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/battlefields/battlefield-planning-grants.htm>.

**National Center for Preservation, Technology, and Training (NCPTT) Grants:**

These grants seek innovative projects that advance the application of science and technology to historic preservation. The NCPTT offers competitive matching grants with the maximum award of \$25,000 for preservation research, information management, and training projects as well as projects that develop new technologies or adapt existing technologies to preserve cultural resources. Eligible entities include universities and colleges, non-profit organizations such as museums, research laboratories, professional societies and similar organizations directly associated with education or research activity, and government agencies such as National Park Service and other federal, state, territorial and local government agencies as well as Hawaiian Natives, Native American and Alaskan Native Tribes and their Tribal Historic Preservation Offices. For more information visit <https://www.ncptt.nps.gov/grants/preservation-technology-and-training-grants/>.

**National Maritime Heritage Grants:**

The National Maritime Heritage Grants Program provides funding for education and preservation projects designed to preserve historic maritime resources and to increase public awareness and appreciation for the maritime heritage of the United States. The grant is funded through a percentage of the proceeds from the sale or scrapping of obsolete vessels of the National Defense Reserve Fleet. All grants awarded must be matched on a 1-to-1 basis with non-federal assets. Project grants are administered through the Maritime Heritage Program and State Historic Preservation Offices

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(SHPOs). For more information visit <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/maritimeheritage/maritime-heritage-grants.htm>.

### Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA):

These grants are for museums, Indian tribes, and Native Hawaiian organizations for the purposes of assisting in consultation, documentation, and repatriation of Native American “cultural items”, including human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, and objects of cultural patrimony. Two types of grants are available: Consultation/Documentation Grants and Repatriation Grants.

Consultation/Documentation Grants: Competitive grant ranging from \$5,000 to \$90,000 to support the efforts of museums, Indian tribes, and Native Hawaiian organizations to consult and document NAGPRA-related human remains and cultural items.

Repatriation Grants: Non-competitive grants up to \$15,000 to defray costs associated with the packaging, transportation, contamination removal, reburial and/or storage of NAGPRA-related human remains and/or cultural items.

For more information visit <https://www.nps.gov/subjects/nagpra/grant-opportunities.htm>.

### Preserve America Grant Program:

**Authorized but not currently funded (2021).**

A competitive matching-grant program to fund designated Preserve America Communities to support preservation efforts through heritage tourism, education, and historic preservation planning. The program does not fund “brick and mortar” rehabilitation or restoration, rather, it supports planning, development, implementation, or enhancement of innovative activities and programs in heritage tourism, adaptive re-use, and “living history” programs. For more information visit <https://www.nps.gov/preservation-grants/PreserveAmerica/>.

### Save America’s Treasures Grant:

Grants are awarded through a competitive process and are available for preservation and/or conservation work on nationally significant intellectual and cultural artifacts and nationally significant historic structures and sites requiring a dollar-for-dollar non-Federal match. Intellectual and cultural artifacts include collections, documents, monuments and works of art. Historic structures and sites include historic districts, sites, buildings, structures and objects. The minimum grant request for collections projects is \$25,000 Federal share; the minimum grant request for historic property projects is \$125,000 Federal share. The maximum grant request for all projects is \$1,000,000 Federal share. Contact the National Park Service at <https://www.nps.gov/preservation-grants/sat/>.

### Tribal Heritage Grants:

Grants are awarded to assist Federally recognized tribes in preserving and protecting their significant cultural and historic resources. The long-term goal is to assist tribe in building sustainable Preservation Programs. These grants assist Indian Tribes, Alaskan Natives, and Native Hawaiian Organizations. The maximum grant awarded is \$40,000; the minimum is \$5,000. Grants are awarded in five categories: 1) locating and identifying cultural resources, 2) preserving a historic property listed on the National Register, 3) comprehensive preservation planning, 4) oral history and

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documenting cultural traditions, and 5) education and training for building a historic preservation program. For more information visit <https://www.nps.gov/thpo/tribal-heritage/index.html>.

### **U.S. Department of Agriculture:**

<https://www.usda.gov/>

(202) 720-2791

#### Farm Ownership Loans:

This loan allows farmers to purchase or enlarge farms, improve and expand current operations, increase agricultural productivity, and assist with land tenure to save farmland for future generations. Eligible applicants may obtain a loan up to \$300,000. Contact the state office at (605) 352-1160 or visit <https://www.fsa.usda.gov/programs-and-services/farm-loan-programs/farm-ownership-loans/index>.

### **USDA Rural Development (RD)**

<https://www.rd.usda.gov/>

(800) 692-0268

#### Business and Industry Guaranteed Loan Program:

The purpose of the loan is to improve, develop, or finance business, industry, and employment and improve the economic and environmental climate in rural communities. Loan purposes must be consistent with the general purpose contained in the regulation which includes, but is not limited to, business conversion, enlargement, repair, modernization, or development. For more information visit <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-industry-loan-guarantees/sd?pid=>.

#### Community Facilities Direct Loan and Grant Program:

Community Programs provides grants to assist in the development of essential community facilities in rural areas and towns of up to 20,000 in population. Grants are authorized on a graduated scale. Applicants located in small communities with low populations and low incomes will receive a higher percentage of grants. Grants are available to public entities such as municipalities, counties, and special-purpose districts, as well as non-profit corporations and tribal governments. In addition, applicants must have the legal authority necessary for construction, operation, and maintenance of the proposed facility and also be unable to obtain needed funds from commercial sources at reasonable rates and terms. Grant funds may be used to assist in the development of essential community facilities. Grant funds can be used to construct, enlarge, or improve community facilities for health care, public safety, and community and public services. For more information or to file an application, contact the local Rural Development Field office at (605) 352-1100 or visit <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities-direct-loan-grant-program/sd>.

#### Farm Labor Housing:

This fund provides capital financing for the development of housing for domestic farm laborers. Loans are made to farmers, associations of farmers, family farm corporations, Indian tribes, nonprofit organizations, public agencies, and associations of farmworkers. Loans and grants are provided to buy, build, improve, or repair housing for farm laborers and those engaged in on-farm processing. Funds can be used to purchase a site or a leasehold interest in a site; to construction housing, day care

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facilities, or community rooms; to pay fees to purchase durable household furnishings; and to pay construction loan interest. For information contact USDA State Office at (605) 352-1100, Facsimile number: (855) 262-1940 or visit <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/farm-labor-housing-direct-loans-grants>.

### Housing Preservation Grant Program (Section 533):

This program makes grants to nonprofit organizations, local governments and Native American tribes to renovate existing low-income multifamily rental units. Funds may also be used by recipients to help individuals make repairs to private homes. Funds can be used to upgrade a number of individual housing units, which in some cases affects the housing options in an entire community. Recipients of Housing Preservation Grants are often able to leverage the funds with additional resources from private sources or local governments. For information contact the USDA Rural Development State Office at (605) 352-1100, Facsimile number: (855) 262-1940 or visit <https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/6196>.

### Rural Home Improvement and Repair Loans/Grants:

These programs give very low-income rural homeowners an opportunity to make essential repairs to their homes to make them safe and remove health hazards to the family or community and assist lower-income rural families to buy, build, rehabilitate, or improve safe, decent, and sanitary dwellings and related facilities for use by applicant as a permanent residence. Those who are eligible should call State Rural Development at (605) 352-1100 or visit <https://www.benefits.gov/benefit/402>.

### Single Family Housing Loans/Grants:

Single family housing programs provide homeownership opportunities to low- and moderate-income rural Americans through several loan, grant, and loan guarantee programs. The programs also make funding available to individuals to finance vital improvements necessary to make their homes decent, safe, and sanitary. Those who are eligible should call State Rural Development at (605) 352-1100 or visit <https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/all-programs/single-family-housing-programs>.

### **USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service**

<https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/>

(888) 526-3227

### Farm and Ranch Protection Program:

The Federal Government assists states, tribes, local governments, and non-governmental organizations in providing matching funds to help purchase developmental rights to keep productive farm and rangeland in agricultural uses. Lands eligible for the program, in general, include land on a farm or ranch that is subject to a pending offer for purchase from an eligible entity and has prime unique or other productive soil or contains historical or archaeological resources or the protection of which will further a State or local policy consistent with the purposes of the program. This may include cropland, rangeland, pasture land, and forest land, provided the forest land contributes to the economic viability of an agricultural operation or serves as a buffer to protect an agricultural operation. Contact NRCS State Office at (605) 352-1200 or visit [https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/sd/programs/easements/acep/?cid=nrcs141p2\\_036529](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/sd/programs/easements/acep/?cid=nrcs141p2_036529).

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**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development:**

<https://www.hud.gov/>

(202) 708-1112

Healthy Homes Technical Studies:

The purpose is to fund, develop, and improve methods to detect and control housing-related health and safety hazards. HUD is interested in promoting evidence-based approaches that are cost-effective and efficient and result in the reduction of health threats for the maximum number of residents, in particular, children and other vulnerable populations. Academic, not-for-profit, for-profit institutions, and federally recognized Native American tribes are eligible to apply. For more information:

[https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/healthy\\_homes/hhi/hhts](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/healthy_homes/hhi/hhts).

Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control and Lead Hazard Reduction Grants:

The purpose of this grant programs is to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately owned housing for rental or owner-occupants. The grant programs assist states, Native American Tribes, cities, counties/parishes, or other units of local government in undertaking comprehensive programs. To the greatest extent feasible, opportunities generated by these grants will be directed to low- and very-low income persons. A minimum non-federal matching contribution of 10% of the Federal funds requested is required for LHC and a minimum non-federal matching contribution of 25% of the Federal funds requested is required for LHRD. The maximum funding amount per award for LHC is \$2,300,000; for LHRD is \$3,000,000. For more information visit

[https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/healthy\\_homes/lbp/lhc](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/healthy_homes/lbp/lhc).

Public and Indian Housing – Indian Community Development Block Grant Program:

The purpose of the ICDBG program is the development of viable Indian and Alaska Native communities, including the creation of decent housing, suitable living environments, and economic opportunities primarily for persons with low- and moderate- incomes as defined in 24 CFR 1003.4. The ONAP in HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing administers the program. For more information contact the Office of Public and Indian Housing at 1-800-955-2232 or visit

[https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/public\\_indian\\_housing/ih/grants/icdbg](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/public_indian_housing/ih/grants/icdbg).

Supportive Housing for the Elderly:

The objective of this program is to expand the supply of housing with supportive services for the elderly. Private, nonprofit organizations and consumer cooperatives may qualify for assistance. Occupancy is open to very low-income households which include at least one person 62 years of age or older. Call the Department of Housing and Urban Development for more information or visit

[https://www.hud.gov/program\\_offices/housing/mfh/grants/section202ptl](https://www.hud.gov/program_offices/housing/mfh/grants/section202ptl).

**U.S. Department of Transportation Federal Highway Administration:**

<https://highways.dot.gov/>

(202) 366-4000

National Historic Covered Bridge Preservation Program (NHCBBP) Grants:

This program includes preservation of covered bridges that are listed, or are eligible for listing, on the National Register of Historic Places. It includes research for better means of restoring and protecting



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covered bridges and technology transfer to disseminate information on covered bridges as a means of preserving our cultural heritage. Broad objectives include finding means and methods to restore and rehabilitate historic covered bridges to preserve heritage using advanced technologies, and to assist in rehabilitating and restoring these bridges. Program Contact telephone: (202) 366-4622 or visit <http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/bridge/covered.cfm>.

### Recreational Trails Program (RTP) Grants:

The RTP provides funds to the States to develop and maintain recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized recreational trail uses. Each state administers its own program. Contact Randy Kittle, Grants Coordinator at the Division of Parks and Recreation, Dept. of Game, Fish, and Parks, at [Randy.Kittle@state.sd.us](mailto:Randy.Kittle@state.sd.us) or (605) 773-3391 for guidance on state policies and project eligibility requirements. For more information visit [https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational\\_trails/](https://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/recreational_trails/).

### Transportation and Transit Alternatives Program (TAP):

TAP activities offer funding opportunities to expand transportation choices and enhance transportation experience through these eligible activities: acquisition of scenic easements and scenic or historic sites (including historic battlefields), scenic or historic highway programs (including the provision of tourist and welcome center facilities), landscaping and other scenic beautification, historic preservation, rehabilitation and operation of historic transportation buildings, structures or facilities (including historic railroad facilities and canals), preservation of abandoned railway corridors, archaeological planning and research, and establishment of transportation museums, plus more. For more information visit [http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/transportation\\_enhancements/](http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/environment/transportation_enhancements/).

### **U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs:**

<https://www.va.gov/>

(800) 398-2411

### VA's Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program:

These programs are offered annually (as funding permits) by the Department of Veterans Affairs Health Care for Homeless Veterans (HCHV) Programs to fund community agencies providing services to homeless veterans. The purpose is to promote the development and provision of supportive housing and/or supportive services with the goal of helping homeless veterans achieve residential stability, increase their skill levels and/or income, and obtain greater self-determination. Only programs with supportive housing (up to 24 months) or service centers (offering services such as case management, education, crisis intervention, counseling, etc.) are eligible for these funds. The program has two levels of funding: the Grant component and the Per Diem component.

Grants: Limit is 65% of the costs of construction, renovation, or acquisition of a building for use as service centers or transitional housing for homeless vets. Renovation of VA properties is allowed, acquiring VA properties is not. Recipients must obtain the matching 35% share from other sources. Grants may not be used for operational costs, including salaries.

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Per Diem: Priority in awarding the Per Diem funds goes to the recipients of Grants. Non-Grant programs may apply for Per Diem under a separate announcement when published in the Federal Register, announcing the funding for “Per Diem only”.

Operational costs, including salaries, may be funded by the Per Diem component. For supportive housing, the maximum amount payable under the Per Diem is \$49.91 per day per Veteran housed. Veterans in supportive housing may be asked to pay rent if it does not exceed 30% of the veteran's monthly-adjusted income. In addition, "reasonable" fees may be charged for services not paid with Per Diem funds. The maximum hourly per diem rate for a service center not connected with supportive housing is 1/8 of the daily cost of care, not to exceed the current VA State Home rate for domiciliary care. Payment for a Veteran in a service center will not exceed 8 hours in any day. Applications are not accepted for Capital Grants or “Per Diem only” until the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) is published in the Federal Register. Funds will be awarded to programs determined to be the most qualified. The contact person for the Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem Program is Jeff Quarles. Mr. Quarles may be contacted (toll-free): 1-877-332-0334; E-mail: [GPDgrants@va.gov](mailto:GPDgrants@va.gov). <https://www.va.gov/homeless/gpd.asp>.

### **U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA):**

<https://www.sba.gov/>

(800) 827-5722

#### Certified Development Company Guaranteed Loan Program (Section 504):

These guaranteed loans can be used for modernizing, renovating, or converting existing small business facilities. <https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/loans/504-loans>.

### **Independent Federal Agencies:**

#### **National Endowment for the Humanities:**

<https://www.neh.gov/>

(202) 606-8400

#### America’s Historical and Cultural Organizations

America’s Historical and Cultural Organizations (AHCO) grants provide support for museums, libraries, historic places, and other organizations that produce public programs in the humanities. Grants support the following: exhibitions at museums, libraries, and other venues; interpretations of historic places, sites, or regions; book/film discussion programs, living history presentations, other face-to-face programs at libraries, community centers, and other public venues; and interpretive websites and other digital formats.

#### Implementation Grants:

Support final scholarly research and consultation, design development, production, and installation of a project for presentation to the public. Contact the staff of NEH’s Division of Public Programs at (202) 606-8269 or [publicpgms@neh.gov](mailto:publicpgms@neh.gov). <https://www.neh.gov/grants>.

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### Planning Grants:

Support the early stages of project development, including consultation with scholars, refinement of humanities themes, preliminary design, testing, and audience evaluation. Contact the staff of NEH's Division of Public Programs at (202) 606-8269 or [publicpgms@neh.gov](mailto:publicpgms@neh.gov).  
<https://www.neh.gov/grants>.

### Challenge Grants:

The National Endowment for the Humanities Challenge Grant is a capacity-building grant intended to help secure long-term improvements in and support for their humanities programs and resources. Grants may provide capital directly supporting the procurement of long-lasting objects, such as acquisitions for archives and collections, the purchase of equipment, and the construction or renovation of facilities. Colleges and universities, museums, public libraries, research institutions, historical societies and historic sites, scholarly associations, state humanities councils, and other nonprofit humanities entities may apply for this matching grant. For more information visit <https://www.neh.gov/divisions/challenge>.

### Collaborative Research Grants:

These grants support original research in the humanities. Eligible projects include archaeological projects that include the interpretation and communication of results of fieldwork. Projects may encompass excavation, materials analysis, laboratory work, and field reports. For more information visit <https://www.neh.gov/grants/research/collaborative-research-grants>.

### Preservation Assistance Grants:

The National Endowment for the Humanities' Division of Preservation and Access has offered Preservation Assistance Grants for Smaller Institutions for more than a decade. These grants help small and mid-sized cultural heritage institutions such as libraries, museums, historical societies, archival repositories, town and county records offices, and colleges and universities improve their ability to preserve and care for their humanities collections. Awards of up to \$10,000 support preservation related collection assessments, consultations, training and workshops, and institutional and collaborative disaster and emergency planning. They also support education and training in best practices for sustaining digital collections, standards for digital preservation, and the care and handling of collections during digitization. All applications must be submitted through <http://www.grants.gov/>. For additional information, contact NEH's Division of Preservation and Access at (202) 606-8570 and [preservation@neh.gov](mailto:preservation@neh.gov).

### **Institute of Museum and Library Services:**

<https://www.ims.gov/>

(202) 653-4657

### Conservation Assessment Program (CAP) Grants:

CAP funds surveys of nonprofit museums' collections, environmental conditions, and site. Museums with a historic structure (a building more than 50 years old) receive additional funds for an architectural assessor to identify priorities for care of the building(s). Contact the CAP Coordinator for more information or visit <http://www.ims.gov/applicants/detail.aspx?GrantId=6>.

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**Non-Profit Programs**

**Historic Preservation Partners, Inc. (HPP):**

<https://www.yourhistoricpartner.com/>

(785) 290-0072

**Historic Preservation Partners, Inc. (HPP) Preservation Grant Program:**

HPP's grants offer a unique and flexible source of preservation funding. A maximum single project grant amount of \$15,000 will be awarded to for profit, non-profit, educational, or government entities. Grant monies can be used to assist in the stabilization, mothballing, rehabilitation of historic properties along with consideration for funding a feasibility study, structural analysis, or development of a rehabilitation plan for prospective historic rehabilitation projects and applications from local or state historic organizations for educational classes, programs or events. Each grant request is reviewed on its individual merit; however, the grants are intended only for situations where other funding either is not available, inadequate, or perhaps untimely. Buildings should be considered historically or architecturally significant to receive a grant and the Board will give preference to those buildings/structures either on or eligible for the State or Federal Historic Register or contributing buildings located in an Historic District.

**Evaluation Criteria:**

- Historical significance of the building or structure to the community
- State or nation description of the project including the desired goals
- Appropriateness of the proposed improvements or work
- Compliance with the Secretary of Interior's standards, including Preservation Brief 31, if applicable
- Urgency of the project including the current status and the threats to the building or structure
- Financial need
- Applicant's experience and capacity to complete the project

An overview and guidelines as well as the grant applicant can be downloaded at

[http://www.yourhistoricpartner.com/grant\\_overview.htm](http://www.yourhistoricpartner.com/grant_overview.htm).

**James Marston Fitch Charitable Foundation:**

<https://fitchfoundation.org/>

**Mid-Career Grant:**

These grants of up to \$15,000 are awarded annually to one or two mid-career professionals who have an academic background, professional experience and an established identity in one or more of the following fields: historic preservation, architecture, landscape architecture, urban design, environmental planning, architectural history and the decorative arts. The Foundation will consider proposals for the research and/or execution of the preservation-related projects in any of these fields. Projects are evaluated on making a meaningful contribution to the academic and/or professional field of historic preservation, realistic plans for the dissemination of research and/or final work product, clear and realistic goals, timeframes, work plans, and budgets, and demonstration of innovative thinking, original research and creative problem solving/design. Grants are awarded to individuals (not organizations) who are mid-career professionals with at least 10 years' experience in historic

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preservation or related fields. For more information, visit <http://fitchfoundation.org/grants/fitch-kress/>.

### Richard L. Blinder Award:

This maximum \$15,000 award is presented biennially to an architect holding a professional degree or a valid license to practice architecture for a proposal exploring the preservation of an existing structure, complex of buildings, or genre of building type through addition, renovation, or other means. Projects are evaluated on a demonstrated need for the proposed study and evidence of its value, a realistic plan for the dissemination of research and/or the final work product within twenty-four months of receipt of award, clear and realistic goals, timeframes, work plans, and budgets, and demonstration of innovative thinking, original research and creative problem solving/design. Grants are awarded to individuals (not organizations) who are architects holding a professional degree or a valid license to practice architecture with at least 10 years' experience in architecture, historic preservation or related fields. For more information visit <http://fitchfoundation.org/grants/blinder/#:~:text=blinder&text=The%20Blinder%20Award%20is%20a,proposal%20exploring%20architecture%20and%20preservation.>

### **Mary Chilton DAR Foundation:**

<https://www.dar-marychiltonfoundation.org/>

(605) 335-0794

### Mary Chilton DAR Grants:

Regular grants are awarded in amounts of between \$1,000 and \$15,000. Project must have potential to make a genuine, effective contribution to the advancement of American patriotism, education, historic preservation, or genealogical activities. The purpose is to promote: historical interest; the preservation of historic memorabilia and items of historical significance; genealogical activities; the study and understanding of American history, heritage, institutions or traditions; or the ideals of patriotism, democracy, and liberty. Not currently funding student scholarships. For more information visit <http://www.dar-marychiltonfoundation.org/regulargrant.shtml>.

For other available grants from Mary Chilton DAR, visit: <http://www.dar-marychiltonfoundation.org/programawards.shtml>.

### **National Trust for Historic Preservation:**

<https://savingplaces.org/>

(202) 588-6000

### Battlefield Preservation Fund:

These grants serve as a catalyst to stimulate efforts to preserve battlefields, viewsheds, and related historic structures and to leverage fund-raising activities. While efforts involving battlefields associated with the Revolutionary War, the Civil War, the French and Indian Wars, and other battles fought in the United States are eligible for funding, priority will be given to those that have limited access to other specialized battlefield funding programs. Typical uses for these one-to-one cash match grants include legal and research fees to mitigate development threats, fund-raising and media plans, feasibility studies for endangered buildings and sites, archaeological studies, landscape

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research and planning, viewshed protection, easement planning, and interpretation and heritage education activities. This grant follows the same guidelines and uses the same application as the National Trust Preservation Fund. For more information visit <https://savingplaces.org/grants#.YMDRrvlKiM9>.

### Cynthia Woods Mitchell Fund for Historic Interiors:

The purpose of this fund is to assist in the preservation, restoration, and interpretation of historic interiors. Applicants eligible to receive grant awards from the fund must either be a nonprofit organization or public agencies. For-profit businesses or an individual may also apply but only if the project for which funding is requested involves a National Historic Landmark. A cash-match is required and grants range from \$2,500 to \$15,000. Eligible projects include obtaining consultant services, obtaining professional expertise, hiring a preservation architect, producing a historic furnishings plan, website development, and sponsoring a workshop on the preservation of historic interiors. Call the National Trust at (800) 944-6847 or visit <https://forum.savingplaces.org/build/funding/grant-seekers/specialprograms/cynthia-woods-mitchell-fund>.

### Emergency/Intervention Fund:

This funding is awarded in emergency situations when immediate and unanticipated work is needed to save a historic structure, such as when a fire or other natural disaster strikes. Funding is restricted to nonprofit organizations and public agencies. Emergency grants typically range from \$1,000 to \$5,000 and a cash match is **not** required. Contact the National Trust for Historic Preservation or visit <https://savingplaces.org/grants#.YMDRrvlKiM9>

### Hart Family Funds for Small Towns:

These grants are intended to encourage preservation at the local level by providing seed money for preservation projects in small towns. These grants help stimulate public discussion, enable local groups to gain the technical expertise needed for particular projects, introduce the public to preservation concepts and techniques, and encourage financial participation by the private sector. Grants generally range from \$2,500 to \$15,000. For more information visit <https://forum.savingplaces.org/build/funding/grant-seekers/specialprograms/hart-family-fund>.

### Johanna Favrot Fund for Historic Preservation:

This fund aims to save historic environments in order to foster an appreciation of our nation's diverse cultural heritage and to preserve and revitalize the livability of the nation's communities. Applicants eligible to receive grant awards from these funds for preservation include nonprofit organizations and public agencies. Matching grants range from \$2,500 to \$15,000 for projects that contribute to the preservation or the recapture of an authentic sense of place. Individuals and for-profits business may apply only if the project for which funding is requested involve a National Historic Landmark. Only Forum or Main Street level members of the National Trust are eligible to apply for funding. For more information visit <https://forum.savingplaces.org/build/funding/grant-seekers/specialprograms/favrot-fund>.

### National Fund for Sacred Places:

The National Fund for Sacred Places is a program of Partners for Sacred Places in collaboration with the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The Fund provides 1) grants for the planning and execution of urgent capital projects at historic sacred places that are valued for their cultural

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importance as well as their role in providing human services, strengthening communities, and revitalizing neighborhoods; and 2) training, capacity-building and technical assistance to ensure that grant-funded projects are successfully planned and implemented. Matching grants range from \$50,000 to \$250,000. For more information visit <https://fundforsacredplaces.org/>.

### National Trust Community Investment Corporation (NTCIC):

The NTCIC makes equity investments in real estate projects that qualify for federal and state Historic, Low-Income Housing (LIHTC) and New Markets (NMTC) Tax Credits. NTCIC works with a wide variety of property owners including for-profit developers, nonprofit organizations and local governments. Its focus is on projects that have a high economic impact on the surrounding community. For more information visit <https://ntcic.com/>.

### National Trust Preservation Funds:

The Trust's general interest is in the preservation of sites, buildings, and objects significant in American history and culture. Applications must be submitted online. Funds are available to nonprofit organizations and public agencies. The matching grants range from \$2,500 to \$5,000. Eligible projects include consultant services and preservation education. Email questions to [grants@savingplaces.org](mailto:grants@savingplaces.org) or visit <https://forum.savingplaces.org/build/funding/grant-seekers/preservation-funds>.

### National Trust Small Deal Fund:

This fund provides a unique service within the historic tax credit industry by investing in credit eligible projects that generate as little as \$500,000 in tax credit equity (equaling total development costs of approximately \$2.5 million). Projects of that size are typically overlooked by conventional tax credit investors despite the sheer number of them. For more information visit <https://ntcic.com/>.

### **State Questers:**

<https://www.questers1944.org/>

(215) 923-5183

### South Dakota State Questers:

The organization receives nominations for worthy grant projects via the state Preservation/Restoration committee. The projects must be sponsored by at least one Quester chapter in the state. Questers typically select one project every 2-3 years and then guarantee funding at a particular level over that period. For more information visit South Dakota's State Questers website at <https://sd-questers.org/>.

### **The 1772 Foundation:**

<https://1772foundation.org/>

### The 1772 Foundation Revolving Funds for Historic Preservation Grants:

The 1772 Foundation grant funding will be made available for historic properties redevelopment programs throughout the United States. To be eligible to apply, organizations must have a 501-(c)-3 IRS designation. The foundation will consider: feasibility studies for established preservation organizations who are considering historic properties redevelopment programs and/or to increase the

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capacity of existing historic properties redevelopment programs. Typical grants have been in the \$50,000 to \$75,000 range with a maximum amount of \$250,000. For more information visit <https://1772foundation.org/2017-grants-for-historic-properties-redevelopment-programs-revolving-funds/>.