

National Park Service awards \$7.27M in grants to support historic preservation projects in rural communities

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WASHINGTON – The National Park Service (NPS) today announced \$7.275 million in Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants to 11 recipients in 10 states to support economic development through the preservation of historic buildings in rural communities across the country.

Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant Recipients

| State | Program | Grantee | Award |
|-----------|---|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Alabama | Alabama Black Belt Historic Revitalization Grant Program | Opportunity Alabama, Inc. | \$750,000 |
| Colorado | Historic Downtowns in Rural Colorado Subgrant Program | Colorado Preservation, Inc | \$750,000 |
| Idaho | Idaho's Historic Theater Revitalization Grant Program | Idaho Heritage Trust, Inc. | \$750,000 |
| Indiana | Attica Revitalization Subgrant Program | Indiana Landmarks | \$650,000 |
| Indiana | Preservation and Community Enhancement Program | City of Madison | \$325,000 |
| Kentucky | Dawson Springs Downtown Historic District Revitalization Project | City of Dawson Springs | \$750,000 |
| Minnesota | Minnesota Main Streets Looking Up Downtown Program | Preservation Alliance of Minnesota | \$700,000 |
| Missouri | Sedalia Commercial Historic District Subgrant Program | City of Sedalia | \$750,000 |
| Nebraska | Nebraska Rural Historic Preservation Grant Program | History Nebraska | \$350,000 |
| New York | Adirondack Rural Revitalization Program | Adirondack Architectural Heritage | \$750,000 |
| Vermont | Bruhn Village Revitalization Subgrant Program | Preservation Trust of Vermont | \$750,000 |



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News Release Date: August 30, 2021

WASHINGTON – The National Park Service (NPS) today announced \$7.27 million in Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants to 11 recipients in 10 states to support the preservation of historic buildings in rural communities across the country.

These grants mark the third year of funding for the program honoring the late Paul Bruhn, executive director of the Preservation Trust of Vermont for nearly 40 years. State and Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, Certified Local Governments, and nonprofits are eligible to apply for funding to support a subgrant program to fund multiple preservation projects in their rural jurisdictions.

"This National Park Service program not only supports historic preservation, but also fosters economic development in rural communities," said **NPS Deputy Director Shawn Benge**. "By funding the rehabilitation of historic properties, rural areas across the country will be improved and strengthened."

This year's grants will support the rehabilitation of historic properties in rural areas, including programs in local communities led by the Wheeling National Heritage Area Corporation in West Virginia; The City of Jefferson, Missouri; and DeFuniak Springs Landmarks Inc. in Florida.

Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant Recipients

| State | Program | Grantee | Award |
|-----------|--|---|-----------|
| Florida | Revitalization of Historic Houses on the Campus of the Florida Chautauqua | DeFuniak Springs Landmarks Inc. | \$217,000 |
| Louisiana | Structures in Louisiana's Main | Louisiana Office of Cultural Development | \$749,000 |
| Maine | REvitalizeME Gen2 | Maine Development Foundation | \$750,000 |
| Michigan | Resilient Lakeshore Heritage Subgrant Program | Michigan Strategic Fund | \$750,000 |

Total funds awarded: \$7,275,000

| State | Program | Grantee | Award |
|------------------|---|---|-----------|
| | Revitalization Grant Program - Downtown Jefferson City | City of Jefferson | \$675,000 |
| Ohio | Appalachian Region Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program | Ohio Historical Society | \$750,000 |
| Texas | Texas Rural African-American Heritage Grants Program | Preservation Texas | \$750,000 |
| Utah | | Utah State Historic Preservation Office | \$675,000 |
| Vermont | The Paul Bruhn Village Revitalization Grant Program | The Preservation Trust of Vermont | \$659,000 |
| West Virginia | Wheeling Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program | Wheeling National Heritage Area Corporation | \$750,000 |
| West Virginia | Saving Historical Places Subgrant Program | Preservation Alliance of West Virginia, Inc. | \$550,000 |



Trump Administration Invests \$4.8 Million in Grants to Support Historic Preservation in Rural Communities

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WASHINGTON – The Trump Administration today announced \$4.8 million in Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants to eight recipients in eight states to support the preservation of historic buildings in rural communities across America.

Awards:

| State | Program | Grantee | Award |
|--------------------------------|--|---|-------------|
| Iowa Des Moines | Iowa's Rural Heritage Revitalization Project | State Historical Society of Iowa | \$600,000 |
| Kansas Topeka | Kansas Rural Preservation Grants | Kansas State Historical Society - State Historic Preservation Office | \$500,000 |
| New York Albany | Genesee Valley Rural Revitalization Grant Program | NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation | \$750,000 |
| North Carolina Salisbury | Downtown Salisbury Historic Revitalization Incentive Grants | City of Salisbury, North Carolina | \$543,185 |
| Ohio Columbus | Historic Revitalization Grant Program for Rural Ohio Main Street Communities | Ohio Historical Society | \$556,327 |
| Vermont Burlington | Bruhn Village Revitalization Grant Program of Vermont | Preservation Trust of Vermont | \$745,000 |
| Washington Olympia | The Third Places Matter Fund | Department of Archaeology and Historic Preservation | \$750,000 |
| Wyoming Cheyenne | State of Wyoming Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program | Wyoming State Historic Preservation Office | \$355,488 |
| 8 States | 8 programs | | \$4,800,000 |



National Park Service Announces \$5 Million in Grants to Support Preservation in Rural Communities

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WASHINGTON – The National Park Service (NPS) today announced \$5 million in Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program (HRSP) grants to nine projects to support the preservation of historic buildings in rural communities across the country.

These grants mark the first year of funding for the HRSP. State and Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, Certified Local Governments, and non-profits were eligible to apply for funding to support a subgrant program to fund multiple preservation projects in their rural jurisdictions.

"Historic preservation projects have consistently proven to foster economic growth," National Park Service Deputy Director P. Daniel Smith said. "Through the support of the National Park Service, rural communities are able to preserve their historic resources, shining a light on their unique local history, and bolster economic development."

Projects receiving grants through this first year of funding include:

- Revitalizing commercial structures in Louisiana's Main Street districts
- Rehabilitating Oregon's historic theaters
- Providing rural community resources in communities of 7,500 or less in Vermont

Funding for this competitive program is provided by the 2018 Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) which comes from revenue from Federal oil leases on the Outer Continental Shelf, providing assistance for a broad range of preservation projects without expending tax dollars.

For more information about the grants and the Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program, please visit: https://go.nps.gov/revitalization. To confirm rural eligibility: https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/. An additional \$5 million will be available in FY2019 funding in the winter of 2020.

| State | Projects | Grantee | Award |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------------------|-----------|
| Sitka, Alaska | Historic Rehabilitation of National Register Properties in Sitka | City and Borough of Sitka | \$238,033 |
| Chicago, Illinois | Main Street Facade Improvement Grant Program | National Main Street Center, Inc. | \$746,900 |

| Baton Rouge, Louisiana | Rehabilitation of Commercial Structures in Louisiana's Main Street district | Louisiana Office of Cultural Development | \$662,000 |
|--------------------------------|---|--|-------------|
| Hallowell, Maine | REvitalizeME | Maine Development Foundation | \$750,000 |
| Helena, Montana | Revitalizing Montana's Rural Heritage | Montana Historical Society | \$391,067 |
| Salem, Oregon | Oregon Historic Theaters Subgrant Program | Oregon Parks and Recreation Department | \$665,000 |
| Chepachet, Rhode Island | Chepachet Village Historic District Subgrant Program | Town of Glocester | \$250,000 |
| Burlington <i>,</i> Vermont | Historic Restoration Subgrant Program of Vermont | The Preservation Trust of Vermont | \$747,000 |
| Charleston, West Virginia | West Virginia Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program | West Virginia Department of Arts, Culture, and History | \$350,000 |
| Total | | | \$4,800,000 |