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**TENNESSEE HISTORICAL COMMISSION ANNOUNCES HISTORIC
PRESERVATION GRANT FUNDS**

NASHVILLE – The Tennessee Historical Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office, has awarded 37 matching grants totaling over \$1.1 million from the Federal Historic Preservation Fund allocated to non-profits, municipalities, universities, and civic organizations across the state to support the preservation of historic and archaeological resources.

“Our Federal Historic Preservation Fund grant program is one of the main ways that the Tennessee Historical Commission makes meaningful contributions to the protection and study of our state’s treasured historic places,” said Patrick McIntyre, State Historic Preservation Officer and Executive Director. The Federal Historic Preservation Fund reimburses 60 percent of the project costs with a 40 percent match of project funds from the grantee.

This year’s grant awards include a wide variety of historic and architectural projects, all listed below. Several projects this year will restore character defining historic windows. From the beautiful stained-glass windows of the Lindsley Avenue Church of Christ to courthouse windows in Perry and Cannon counties, the restoration of these important features is commended and encouraged through this grant program. Other grants will assist in funding preservation planners in seven of the state’s development districts, in facilitating archaeological surveys, and helping obtain design guidelines for historic districts. Several other grants are for the rehabilitation of historic buildings, for posters highlighting the state’s archaeology, and training for historic zoning staff or commissioners.

One of the agency’s grant priorities is for projects that are in Certified Local Governments, a program that allows the 50 enrolled communities to participate closely in the federal program of historic preservation. Certified Local Government communities are highly encouraged to apply, and for this round each CLG community that applied was funded including a grant to the Metro Historical Commission in Nashville to complete a countywide historic cemetery survey. Additional grants will fund preservation projects in Chattanooga, Franklin, and Bell Buckle.

Additional priorities include those that meet the goals and objectives of the Tennessee Historical Commission’s plan for historic preservation. Properties that use the grant funds for restoration projects must be listed in the National Register. Applications for the next round of grants will open in [December 2023](#).

A complete list of grant recipients and/or National Register listed sites of the projects include:

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Bedford County

Town of Bell Buckle

\$4,800 to restore exterior of the Bell Buckle Town Hall

Benton County

NAPAS

\$17,335.00 to fund archaeological investigations at the Moore Family Century Farm in Holladay

Cannon County

Cannon County Government

\$70,320 to restore the windows of the Cannon County Courthouse.

Davidson County

Andrew Jackson Foundation

\$21,000 to restore the masonry on the smoke house at the Hermitage, a National Historic Landmark

Metropolitan Historical Commission

\$40,000 to fund third phase of the countywide cemetery survey and preservation plan

\$15,069 to fund neighborhood survey and preparation of a National Register nomination

Centennial Park Conservancy

\$25,000 to restore the windows of the Centennial Park Croquet Clubhouse building

Cheekwood Botanical Garden and Museum of Art

\$34,000 to complete a window preservation predevelopment plan-of the Cheek House

Preserve Lindsley Avenue Now

\$30,750 to restore stained glass windows of the Lindsley Avenue Church of Christ

Grainger County

City of Rutledge

\$29,000 to fund the restoration of exterior of the Nance House

Hamilton County

City of Chattanooga

\$70,000 to update local residential historic district guidelines and create local landmark guidelines

Henry County

Quinn Chapel AME

\$16,200.00 to restore the masonry of Quinn Chapel AME Church

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Jefferson County

Glenmore Preservation Society, Inc.

\$16,000 to restore the Entry Foyer of Glenmore Mansion

Knox County

Knoxville Botanical Garden and Arboretum

\$60,000 to restore clay tile roof on Joe Howell Home

Loudon County

Dunbar Rosenwald School Foundation Inc

\$41,000 to fund interior restoration of the Dunbar Rosenwald School

Maury County

James K. Polk Memorial Association

\$10,000 to restore windows in the Polk Home, a National Historic Landmark

Perry County

Metropolitan Government of Lynchburg/Moore County

\$60,000 to restore windows on the Perry County Courthouse

Rhea County

Rhea County Government

\$40,300 various restoration projects on the National historic Landmark-listed Rhea County Courthouse

Shelby County

Junior League of Memphis

\$60,000 to fund exterior repairs to the Boyce-Gregg House

Williamson County

City of Franklin

\$24,000.00 for development of a Preservation Assessment and Maintenance Plan for the Toussaint L'Ouverture Cemetery

Washington County

Heritage Alliance

\$6,000 to fund roof restoration of the Duncan House

Multi-County Grants

Middle Tennessee State University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology

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\$3,735 for posters for Tennessee Archaeology Week.

Middle Tennessee State University, Department of Sociology and Anthropology
\$23,040 for archeology survey of Cragfont State Historic Site to locate spaces of enslaved at Castalian Springs

Middle Tennessee State University, Fullerton Laboratory for Spatial Technology
\$4,140.00 to digitize archaeological site forms for post-emancipation African American archaeological sites

Middle Tennessee State University, Fullerton Laboratory for Spatial Technology
\$62,181.00 GIS services for historic/architectural survey

Tennessee Division of Archaeology
\$5,220 to fund the 2024 Current Research in Tennessee Archaeology conference (CRITA)

East Tennessee Development District
\$40,000 to fund a preservation specialist staff position for the East Tennessee Development District

First Tennessee Development District
\$35,000 to fund a preservation specialist staff position for the First Tennessee Development District

Northwest Tennessee Development District
\$38,000 to fund a preservation specialist staff position for the Northwest Tennessee Development District.

South Central Tennessee Development District
\$50,000 to fund a preservation specialist staff position for the South Central Tennessee Development District

Southeast Tennessee Development District
\$54,000 to fund a preservation specialist staff position for the Southeast Tennessee Development District

Southwest Tennessee Development District
\$44,000 to fund a preservation specialist staff position for the Southwest Tennessee Development District

Upper Cumberland Development District



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\$40,000 to fund a preservation specialist staff position for the Upper Cumberland Development District

For more information about the Tennessee Historical Commission, please visit the [website](#). For information on grants, contact Holly Barnett at holly.m.barnett@tn.gov.

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