Grant Funding Available for Historic Properties Damaged by Hurricane Irma

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Owners of historic resources in South Carolina damaged by the 2017 hurricane can apply for grant funding to supplement costs for projects involving recovery and repair of historic properties with documented damage resulting directly from Hurricane Irma. Any individual, corporation, local or state government entity, non-profit organization, or institution in South Carolina may apply.

Examples of eligible projects include replacing a leaking roof, repairing the structural framework of a building, and repairing deteriorated doors and windows to make a building watertight. Projects that are NOT eligible include routine building maintenance, climate control systems, plumbing or electrical, repairs to cemetery grave markers, and routine cemetery maintenance. Interior work is not eligible unless it is structural or otherwise repairs historic materials or finishes. All work must meet the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards and Guidelines for Archeology and Historic Preservation. Stabilization projects require a preservation covenant agreement of up to 20 years be recorded with the property deed. Properties receiving grants must be listed in the National Register of Historic Places, or be eligible for listing and have a nomination accepted by SCDAH before final project costs are reimbursed. A cash match is not required.

Potential applicants are encouraged to contact the State Historic Preservation Office before preparing an application: Brad Sauls, bsauls@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6172 or Elizabeth Johnson, ejohnson@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6168.
State Board of Review Approves Nominations

The State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places met on Friday, July 26, 2019 at the SC Archives & History Center in Columbia and approved the following nominations:

- R. J. and Lula Ginn House, Anderson, Anderson County
- Mosquito Beach Historic District, Sol Legare Island, Charleston County
- Mt. Zion Institute High School, Winnsboro, Fairfield County
- Greer Downtown Historic District (Boundary Increase), Greer, Greenville County
- Holly Springs School, Belton, Greenville County
- Myrtle Beach Downtown Historic District, Myrtle Beach, Horry County
- Chapin Commercial Historic District, Chapin, Lexington County

The nominations will be forwarded to the Keeper of the National Register at the National Park Service in Washington, DC who makes the final decision about listing the property in the National Register. For more information about the State Board of Review and to access copies of the draft nominations, visit [https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/national-register/state-review-board](https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/national-register/state-review-board) or contact Virginia Harness at vharness@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6179 or Edwin Breeden at ebreeden@scdah.sc.gov, 803-896-6182.

Tax Credit Annual Report for South Carolina

The State Historic Preservation Office is pleased to present the [Historic Tax Credit Programs Annual Report Fiscal Year 2018-2019](https://scdah.sc.gov/historic-preservation/programs/national-register/state-review-board) on the use of the state and federal tax credit programs for rehabilitated historic properties in South Carolina. The report includes statistics about each program, as well as photographs of historic properties using these incentives.

Tax Credit Spotlight

This month’s spotlight is the William A. Hussey House, constructed ca. 1849, within the Charleston Historic District. The three-and-a-half story residence has a double brownstone staircase leading to a Greek Revival door architrave set in a central pavilion. Stucco quoins accent the pavilion and the corners of the building. Interior finishes include impressed gilded cast iron decorations, cove plaster cornices, and ornate plaster medallions. The rehabilitation of the William A. Hussey house included repairs to the existing slate roof, exterior siding, and six-over-six windows, new plumbing, electrical and HVAC systems, and repairs to interior plaster and crown molding. The rehabilitation was completed in 2018 with the use of the federal and state income-producing tax credits with a private investment of approximately $820,000.
Green Book of South Carolina Adds New Entries

As you plan travels this summer and fall, check out the Green Book of South Carolina, https://greenbookofsc.com/, the online travel guide to South Carolina’s African American Sites. There are new entries for recent listings in the National Register of Historic Places and recently approved historical markers, along with additional images of sites.

Conferences / Workshops / Events


Georgia 2019 Statewide Historic Preservation Conference, September 18-20, 2019, Rome, GA. More information will be available online.

NEW Parker Annex Archaeology Center Open House, September 21, 2019, Columbia. The SC Department of Natural Resources Heritage Trust program will host an open house at the Parker Annex Archaeology Center from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The first floor and garden of Parker Annex will be filled with family-friendly activity and information stations focused on archaeology in South Carolina.

Preservation Leadership Training: Board Building and Preservation Planning Workshop, September 19–21, Boston, MA. This training is designed to address the specific needs of executive directors, trustees, and boards managing African American historic sites and museums. Click on this link for more information. Questions? Email plt@savingplaces.org.

Association for the Study of African American Life and History Annual Meeting and Conference, October 2–6, 2019, North Charleston. The theme of the 104th annual meeting and conference is “Black Migrations”. More information is available at https://asalh.org/conference/.

NEW 12th Annual Cultural Resources Law Conference, October 3-4, 2019, Santa Fe, NM. Sponsored by the Tribal Law Institute, the conference focuses on legal, business, and policy issues in historic preservation compliance and Tribal consultation, with perspectives from Tribal governments, federal and state governments, industry professionals, and consultants. More information is on the conference website.

NEW 2019 SC African-American Tourism Conference, October 5, 2019, Charleston. The conference brings together stakeholders from around the Southeast to discuss the growth and development of African American Tourism. Workshops and sessions include topics covering resource development, marketing strategies, heritage tourism, and product development. Click here for more information.

American Revolution Symposium, October 5, 2019, Columbia. For more information about this event sponsored by the SC Archives and History Foundation, including registration and agenda, visit https://scarchivesandhistoryfoundation.org/2018/12/20/2019-american-revolution-symposium/.


2019 PastForward National Preservation Conference. October 10-12, 2019, Denver, CO. Updates will be posted at https://www.pastforwardconference.org/pastforward19/.


Society for Historical Archaeology Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology, January 8-11, 2020, Boston, MA. For more information visit the conference webpage https://sha.org/conferences/.


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Online sources of grant information:

- National Trust for Historic Preservation Special Grant Funds
- Preservation Directory Grants & Funding Resources
- State Library Grants Research Assistance
- SC Grantmakers Network
- Federal grants Grants.gov
- Foundation Center Foundation Directory Online

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