

**FY 2021
FEDERAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION GRANTS**

Federal Historic Preservation Grants make up part of the annual grant (FY2021, \$893,506) awarded to the South Carolina Department of Archives and History by the National Park Service. These grants assist projects such as historical and architectural surveys, archeological surveys, National Register nominations, planning, pre-development projects, and publications. Certified Local Governments (CLGs) may also apply for assistance with stabilization and weatherization projects. A minimum of ten percent (10%) of our total Federal appropriation (\$89,351 for FY 2021) must be allocated to CLGs. The grant recipients are required to match these funds dollar-for-dollar.

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**McGowan-Barksdale House Roof and Chimneys Repair
(Abbeville, Abbeville County Historical Society)**

\$35,000

Grant Recipient: City of Abbeville (CLG; Abbeville County Historical Society, designated 3rd party)
The McGowan-Barksdale House (built 1888) is a significant example of Victorian architecture in Abbeville. The house is headquarters for the Abbeville County Historical Society who will use the grant funds to assist with repairs to the roof and chimneys.

**Carnegie Library Conditions Assessment
(Beaufort, Beaufort County)**

\$12,500

Grant Recipient: City of Beaufort (CLG)
The Carnegie Library in Beaufort opened in 1917 as one of numerous public libraries across the country built with support from the Carnegie Corporation. Beaufort's Carnegie Library operated in this building until 1963 when the City of Beaufort began using it for its City Hall and eventually other municipal functions. The City will use this grant to conduct a conditions assessment to determine a prioritized list of future repair and maintenance needs for the building's exterior envelope, structural systems, and mechanical systems.

**Fort Fremont Batteries Engineering Study
(St. Helena Island, Beaufort County)**

\$6,300

Grant Recipient: Friends of Fort Fremont
The Friends of Fort Fremont will use the grant to conduct an engineering study of Batteries Jesup and Fornance at Fort Fremont, a former US Naval fortification constructed between 1898 and 1900. The Fort complex is now part of a county-owned park and the Friends of Fort Fremont operate a visitor center to educate the public about the military history of the site. This project will result in an engineering study of the concrete battery structures to help the Friends plan for repairs and address any public safety issues.

**Aiken-Rhett House Engineering Study
(Charleston, Charleston County)**

\$28,750

Grant Recipient: Historic Charleston Foundation
Historic Charleston Foundation will assess the structural condition of exterior walls at the Aiken-Rhett House (ca. 1820). A qualified team of engineers and conservators will use laser scanning and physical examination of the west wall of the main house and north wall of the dining hall wing. The team will determine appropriate repair protocols to address structural problems for the long-term preservation of the house.

- Drayton Hall Archaeology Survey** **\$30,000**
(Charleston, Charleston County)
Grant Recipient: Drayton Hall Preservation Trust
This grant will support efforts to locate archaeological evidence of the 18th and early 19th century dwellings of enslaved people at Drayton Hall in order to broaden the interpretive narrative around the larger enslaved community at Drayton Hall. Archaeological survey data will be used to prepare a substantial update to the National Register of Historic Places nomination for Drayton Hall to include a discussion of enslaved people and their central role in the development of the plantation.
- Hutchinson House Preservation Planning** **\$13,733**
(Edisto Island, Charleston County)
Grant Recipient: Edisto Island Open Land Trust
This house (built about 1885) is significant for its association with the history of the African American community on Edisto Island. The Edisto Open Land Trust acquired the house in 2016 for the purpose of preserving it and making it accessible to the public. The Trust recently completed exterior stabilization of the house after it sat vacant for many years. This project will result in a preservation plan for historic interior fabric so that it can be accurately interpreted for the public.
- McLeod Plantation Cemetery Preservation Plan** **\$17,267**
(Charleston, Charleston County)
Grant Recipient: Charleston County Parks and Recreation Commission
CCPRC will use the grant to prepare a preservation plan for the African American cemetery at McLeod Plantation. The project will help the Commission plan and interpret the cemetery site for a more comprehensive history of the property and will update the National Register nomination for McLeod Plantation.
- Coulter Academy National Register of Historic Places Nomination** **\$10,000**
(Cheraw, Chesterfield County)
Grant Recipient: Town of Cheraw (CLG)
The Coulter Memorial Academy in Cheraw was a church-sponsored school for African Americans founded in 1881 that operated until the 1950s. Several buildings associated with the history of the school remain standing (some still in use for other purposes) today adjacent to the Cheraw Historic District. The Town of Cheraw will use the grant to hire a consultant to produce a National Register of Historic Places nomination for the Coulter Memorial Academy Historic District.
- Briggs v Elliott Tour and Brochure** **\$17,706**
(Summerton, Clarendon County)
Grant Recipient: Summerton Community Action Group
The grant recipient will use the grant funds to revise and expand the Briggs vs. Elliot Tour and Brochure interpreting the history of sites in Summerton associated with the landmark civil rights case. The printed brochure will be expanded to include digital content on the Green Book of SC web site and include additional oral history information from those closely associated with the case in Summerton.
- Southeast Darlington Historic Resources Survey** **\$6,000**
(Darlington, Darlington County)
Grant Recipient: City of Darlington (CLG)
The City of Darlington will hire a consultant to conduct a survey of approximately 240 properties in the southeast section of Darlington. The survey will record extant historic properties associated with the history of African Americans in Darlington and identify properties that may be eligible for local designation and listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

**Keturah Hotel Stabilization Repairs
(McCormick, McCormick County)**

\$28,262

Grant Recipient: Town of McCormick (CLG; McCormick Arts Council, 3rd party recipient)
The Keturah Hotel (ca. 1910) has for more than 30 years served as the home of the McCormick Arts Council, a non-profit organization providing cultural arts programming for rural McCormick County. This project will undertake exterior repairs to masonry and wood elements to stop water infiltration and preserve the exterior envelope of the building.

**200 Hampton Avenue Conditions Assessment
(Kingstree, Williamsburg County)**

\$10,000

Grant Recipient: C. Williams Rush Museum of African-American Arts and Culture
The C. Williams Rush Museum of African-American Arts and Culture in Kingstree will use grant funds to conduct a conditions assessment of this historic circa 1935 commercial building which has been adapted for use as a museum and arts venue. The assessment will identify and cost estimate necessary repairs to structural, mechanical, and electrical systems to preserve and maintain the historic character of the building.

**Freedom Temple (old First Baptist Church) Roof Repairs
(Rock Hill, York County)**

\$35,000

Grant Recipient: City of Rock Hill (CLG, Freedom Temple, 3rd party recipient)
The historic First Baptist Church in downtown Rock Hill was built in 1920 and sold to Freedom Temple church in 2004. Freedom Temple will use the grant to complete repairs to the roof to stop water infiltration and arrest interior deterioration.