

KENDALL COUNTY
Historic Preservation Commission
Kendall County Historic Courthouse
Third Floor Courtroom (Hybrid Meeting)
109 W. Ridge Street, Yorkville, Illinois
6:30 p.m.
April 19, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Jeff Wehrli called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Eric Bernacki (Secretary), Elizabeth Flowers (Vice-Chairwoman) (Attended Remotely), Kristine Heiman (Attended Remotely), and Jeff Wehrli (Chairman)

Absent: None

Also Present: Matt Asselmeier (Senior Planner), Laura Denges (Attended Remotely), and June McCord (Attended Remotely)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Flowers made a motion, seconded by Member Heiman, to approve the agenda.

The votes were as follows:

Yeas (4): Bernacki, Flowers, Heiman, and Wehrli

Nays (0): None

Absent (0): None

Abstain (0): None

The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Bernacki made a motion, seconded by Member Flowers, to approve the minutes from the March 15, 2021 meeting.

The votes were as follows:

Yeas (4): Bernacki, Flowers, Heiman, and Wehrli

Nays (0): None

Absent (0): None

Abstain (0): None

The motion carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman Wehrli said that he was looking forward to the next few months as the Commission determines priorities.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

NEW BUSINESS

Recommendation on Petition 21-14, Request from Laura Denges for a Special Use Permit to Operate a Winery (Production and Sale of Wine Utilizing Crops Not Grown on the Premises or In Combination with Crops Grown on the Premises) on A-1 Zoned Property at 9396 Plattville Road (PIN: 08-09-200-003) in Lisbon Township; Petitioner Wishes to Convert a Circa 1900 Barn for Wine Tasting/Sales

Chairman Wehrli asked if the Petitioner planned to make changes to the inside of the barn. Laura Denges, Petitioner, responded that she built interior walls, but have not made any structural changes to the barn. Her wish was to preserve the barn as much as possible because she would like to keep the rustic atmosphere of the property. The walls are insulated with a drywall frame.

Member Heiman asked about exterior renovations. Ms. Denges responded that exterior renovations included replacing some windows. The windows were previously replaced and the new windows would similar to the ones that were replaced. An entry door would also be added where the double doors were located. The structure would remain the same.

Member Flowers asked about the roofing material. Ms. Denges responded that the roof is a slate tile roof original to the property.

Chairman Wehrli asked Mr. Asselmeier if there was anything the Commission could do to assist the Petitioner. Mr. Asselmeier responded the Petitioner could apply to landmark the property or apply for historic tax credits since the property will be used for a commercial purpose.

Member Bernacki asked about timing for requesting financial incentives. Mr. Asselmeier responded, based on the Petitioner's proposed plans for the property, the timing was not sensitive.

Chairman Wehrli made a motion, seconded by Member Bernacki to recommend approval of the special use permit on the condition that the barn is preserved as discussed.

The votes were as follows:

Yeas (4): Bernacki, Flowers, Heiman, and Wehrli

Nays (0): None

Absent (0): None

Abstain (0): None

The motion carried.

This matter will go to the Kendall County Regional Planning Commission on April 28, 2021.

Plattville Mayor June McCord attended the meeting during the next agenda item and left the meeting without providing comments regarding the special use request.

Report from Kristine Heiman Regarding the Main Street Now Conference

Member Heiman reported on the Main Street Now Conference. The conference was April 12-14, 2021. The conference was geared towards Main Street Communities. Member Heiman sent some materials that were provided at the conference, including grant information. There was not much information geared toward historic preservation at the County level. Another conference is coming up November 2-5, 2021. She is going to check into educational credits.

Review of Historic Preservation Award Application Materials; Commission Could Amend These Materials

The applications did not go out in January as normal.

The consensus of the Commission was to provide an award in honor of Howard Manthei. Mr. Asselmeier will reach out to Chapel on the Green for information for Mr. Manthei.

Member Heiman suggested doing a press release promoting the activities on the National Trust for Historic Preservation's website. She also suggested adding the links to these activities to the County's website. She suggested doing additional press releases throughout the year. Member Bernacki suggested adding the websites of other historic organizations to the website.

Review of Proclamation Declaring May Historic Preservation Month in Kendall County

Commissioners reviewed the proclamation.

Member Flowers made a motion, seconded by Member Heiman, to recommend approval of the proclamation. The consensus of the Commission was to change the "This Place Matters" theme in 2022.

The votes were as follows:

Yeas (4): Bernacki, Flowers, Heiman, and Wehrli

Nays (0): None

Absent (0): None

Abstain (0): None

The motion carried.

The proclamation will be read at the May 4, 2021, County Board meeting.

Discussion of Community Events

Commissioners discussed community events and whether community events will occur in 2021.

The consensus of the Commission was to wait and see if events occur and adjust accordingly.

Chairman Wehrli discussed having a pig roast and he will work on the logistics having this event in the late summer.

OLD BUSINESS

Review of Historic Survey Information from Will County

Commissioners reviewed the information and the potential for funding the surveys. Discussion occurred regarding determining which township to examine. Mr. Asselmeier will reach out to some consultants to obtain a cost estimate.

Discussion of Recognizing Joseph Platt Brown and Ashby Farms

Member Bernacki said the dedication will be May 15, 2021, at 11:00 a.m.

Discussion of Cemeteries

Member Bernacki discussed a book on the history of Kendall County that he was reading and the early settlements of Kendall County. Chairman Wehrli discussed the old tax maps.

Discussion occurred regarding the barn in Henneberry Woods. Chairman Wehrli would research additional information on the status of the barn.

Member Heiman mentioned a church in Lisbon that was built in 1833. Chairman Wehrli would research the church.

There was no update on the cemeteries. Chairman Wehrli encouraged Commissioners to visit and research cemeteries.

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Wehrli made a motion, seconded by Member Bernacki, to adjourn.

The votes were as follows:

Yeas (4): Bernacki, Flowers, Heiman, and Wehrli

Nays (0): None

Absent (0): None

Abstain (0): None

The motion carried.

The Historic Preservation Commission adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Matthew H. Asselmeier, AICP, CFM
Senior Planner

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Today's Discussion:

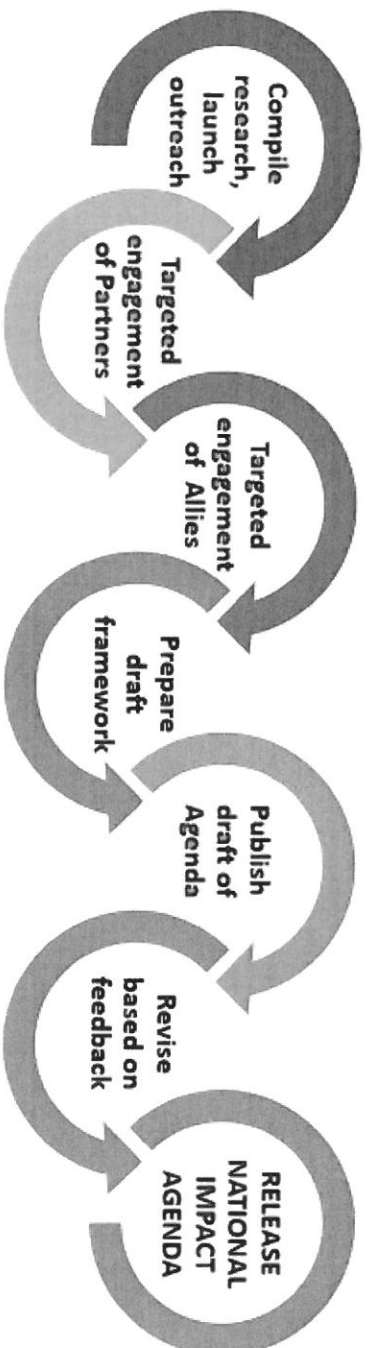
- Concept of Agenda
- Values Discussion
- Focus Group Takeaways
- Breakout Discussion
- Questions & Comments





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Facilitating a National Impact Agenda





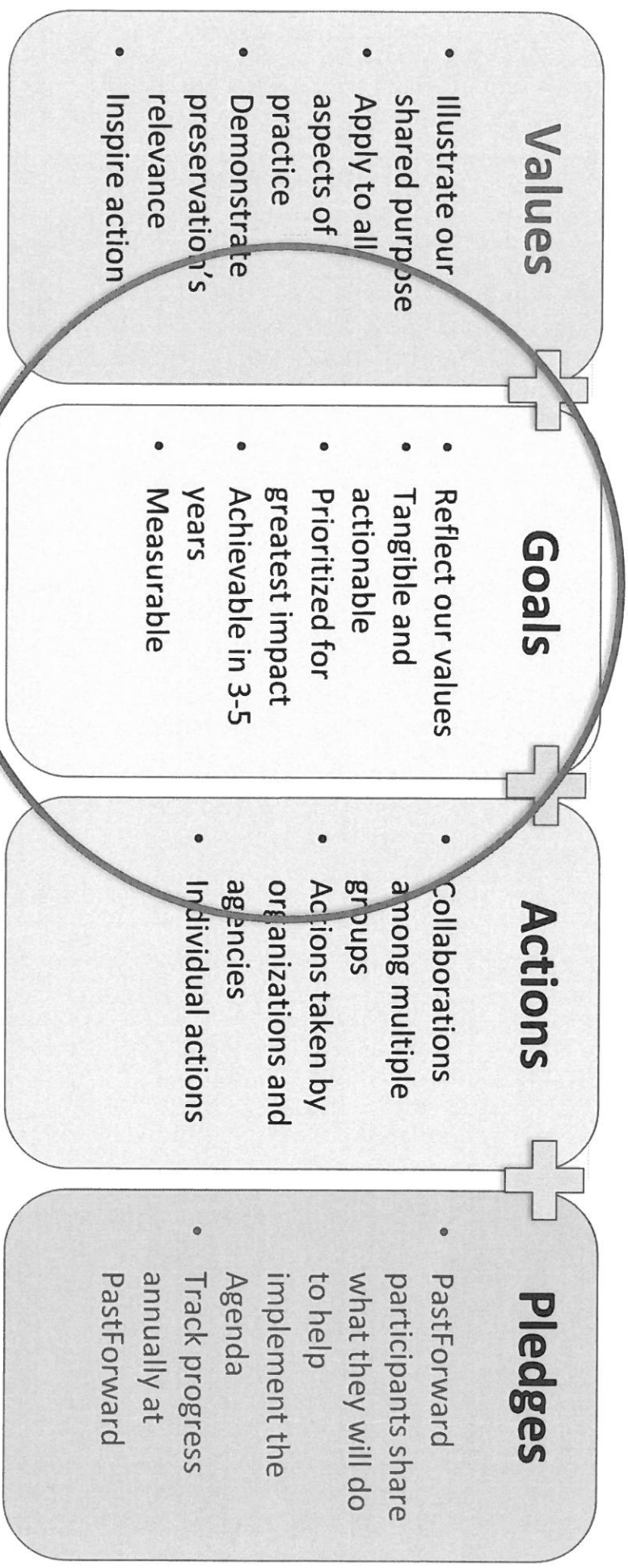
Focus Group Questions

“What values motivate your work in historic preservation?”

“What actions should be taken by the movement to advance these values?”

National Impact Agenda

Developed through Spring/Summer and launched at PastForward 2021





Values Selected

by three focus groups held February, March 2021

1. Addressing climate change through adaptation and reuse
2. Advancing racial equity and social justice
3. Creating healthy and livable communities
4. Managing change in historic neighborhoods, corridors, downtowns
5. Mitigating displacement and supporting equitable revitalization
6. Preserving places of beauty, architectural richness
7. Preserving personal connections to history and place
8. Saving historic sites for future generations
9. Supporting local economic development
10. Telling the full American story



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What actions can we take to advance these values?

Coordinators	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Make preservation easier to achieve for building owners/small scale development</i>• <i>Adopt universal building codes</i>• <i>Create resources to make 2nd story and housing development more achievable</i>
Directors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Make preservation guidelines more flexible to achieve balance between continued use and preservation</i>• <i>Simplify & explain complicated gov't funding / processes</i>• <i>Help make preservation a community value to eliminate local roadblocks</i>• <i>More access to capital / broadband</i>
Urban Main	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Managing change and combatting gentrification is a challenge – how can we best use preservation practice to maintain equity?</i>• <i>Use relatable language to communicate preservation as a tool</i>• <i>Help access capital</i>

Breakout Discussion

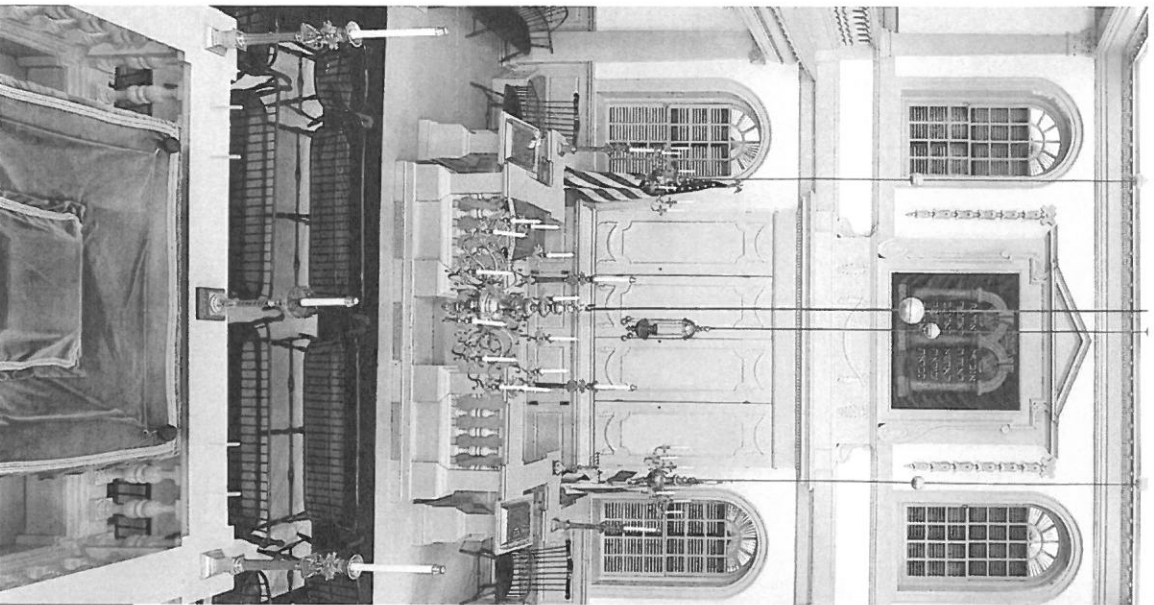


Identify the top three goals for change for the preservation movement over the next 3-5 years.

What does success look like?

What benchmarks can we use to measure success?

Example Over the next 3-5 years, we should diversify the National Register of Historic Places by X%.



Questions and comments about a new, shared National Impact Agenda?

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National Impact Agenda for the Historic Preservation Movement

The National Trust for Historic Preservation will facilitate the collective development of a new, shared National Impact Agenda for the historic preservation movement. This is about practices, principles, and policy. As our nation grapples with significant challenges—from racial injustice to climate change and the ongoing pandemic—the work of preservation has never been more important. The complexity and scale of these challenges require collaborative, coordinated action. Now is the time to develop a shared National Impact Agenda to ensure our movement remains a resilient, relevant force for positive change. The National Trust will facilitate outreach to the movement to articulate our shared values for a more equitable preservation movement and describe actions we can take—individually and jointly—to deepen the impacts of our work.



✓ October-December 2020

To begin, compile existing research and information, including Fall 2019 NTHP National Survey results, input from The Relevancy Project, and feedback from town halls at *PastForward 2020* which engaged conference goers in discussions about equitable development, climate change, and relevancy.

✓ January- March 2021

Complete special issue of *Forum Journal* to capture proceedings of *PastForward* as a resource for advocates and organizations to use at their board meetings, member events, and conferences. Continue analysis of existing research. Create a national steering committee to advise and assist with our targeted outreach to engage diverse parties via online surveys, listening sessions, and interviews.

February-April 2021

Amplify diverse validating voices to highlight shared priorities and issues. Build on existing research with targeted outreach to key parties representing traditional and non-traditional constituencies via targeted online surveys, listening sessions, and interviews. Design and implement outreach to strategically engage diverse voices and gather new ideas and perspectives.

March-April 2021

Based on input gathered to date, prepare a draft framework of the National Impact Agenda to solicit feedback via continued engagement and the help of the national steering committee, including a user-friendly, interactive online hub. Framework will identify values, goals, and actions.

★ May 2021

Key Deliverable: During Preservation Month, publish online the draft framework of the National Impact Agenda. Gather feedback and share information via the online hub, including articles, video, and outreach results. Convene a town hall to encourage engagement and gather feedback.

June-October 2021

National Impact Agenda team and national steering committee continue targeted information sharing and outreach via online surveys, listening sessions, mini retreats, and interviews focusing on priority topics to drive traffic to the online hub. National Impact Agenda is revised based on feedback. Identify Case Study organizations, programs, and projects that illustrate the values and actions as instructive examples. Encourage partners and allies to share draft Agenda at meetings, events and conferences. Develop metrics to measure progress.

★ November 2021

Key Deliverable: Convene the preservation community at *PastForward 2021* to release the new, shared National Impact Agenda for a more inclusive, relevant and effective preservation movement. Celebrate the Case Studies. Prepare for implementation of Agenda.

OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT in an EXPANSIVE MOVEMENT

We will engage traditional and non-traditional organizations including nonprofits, public agencies, private entities, and others with a shared interest in key preservation-related issues. We anticipate our outreach list will grow as we facilitate the development of the National Impact Agenda.

Our list includes: stewards of historic sites; NTHP grantees; funders of historic preservation; preservation-related governmental agencies, federal, tribal, state, and local; Main Street coordinators and managers; real estate developers, property owners, and historic tax credit users; economic development groups; organizations representing Black, indigenous, and people of color; preservation law advocates; preservation trades people; nonprofit preservation organizations, national, regional, state, and local; university preservation programs, faculty members and students; cultural heritage tourism promoters; cultural landscape conservationists; as well as, representatives of allied fields like climate, affordable housing, health, social justice, natural conservation, architecture, landscape design, city planning, smart growth, and, archeology.

TOOLS FOR OUTREACH & ENGAGEMENT

Email: Throughout NTHP's facilitation of the National Impact Agenda, interested individuals can send ideas, comments, and questions to the National Impact Agenda team at nationalimpactagenda@savingplaces.org.

Online Surveys: Survey Monkey tools designed to gather input and feedback from a broad group in the form of narrative responses, multiple choice answers, and prioritization of suggested options.

Town Hall: An interactive hour-long virtual meeting format that includes a balance of presentations and small group discussions around specific questions. Town Halls can include polling questions. After presentations, participants will be divided into small facilitated breakout rooms of about 6-12 participants. A notetaker records key points.

Listening Sessions: Hour-long online meetings where the supermajority of the time is spent listening to feedback around specific questions shared in advance. Pre-reads are provided in advance. To maximize listening opportunities, participants will spend almost all of the hour divided into facilitated breakout rooms of about 6-9 participants. A notetaker records key points.

Mini-Retreat: A small group of subject matter experts convening virtually for a longer, in-depth discussion of specific issue(s) in a virtual retreat-like setting where participants bring specialized expertise and experience.

Interviews: Video chat or phone conversations with an individual to answer a specific set of questions where the interviewee(s) bring special experience or expertise.

Case Studies: Examples of programs and projects that exemplify the values of the National Impact Agenda. The case studies highlight best practices that are aligned with the actions identified in the National Impact Agenda.

National Steering Committee: A group of leaders convened by the National Trust to advise both *PastForward 2021* and the National Impact Agenda.

Online Hub: A visually appealing and user-friendly online presence designed to share key information about draft issues and actions and be available 24/7. Information will be designed to provide an easily understood high-level "at-a-glance" overview as well as options to drill down or download resources for viewers desiring more detailed information. It will be an interactive online tool to share information and solicit feedback.

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Historic Preservation Fund Grant Programs

Formula Grant Programs - Non-competitive Grants

Apportioned by formula to each of the 50 states, the District of Columbia, the 5 territories, the 3 Freely Associated States (Federated States of Micronesia, Republic of the Marshall Islands, Republic of Palau) and to the approximately 200 Federally recognized Tribes that have historic preservation offices. These grants have been awarded since 1977 to the States and since 1996 to the Tribes. Since 1980, ten percent of each State's allocation has been distributed to Certified Local Governments.

These awards support the following activities:

1. Survey and inventory of historic archeological and built resources
2. Review of projects to understand the potential impact on cultural resources and review of projects as part of compliance with state/federal/local laws
3. Writing nominations to the National Register of Historic Places and nominating resources to the National Register
4. Administration of a pass-through grant program to local governments and certification of eligible local governments as NPS partners (States only; we are currently partnered with more than 2,000 of these local governments)
5. Preparation of planning documents (historic preservation planning, including disaster mitigation)
6. Administration of and public assistance with the federal Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit program, including technical support to applicants
7. Administration of the grant award
8. Construction (called development) projects to support the physical preservation (repair) of historic buildings or structures and/or archeology

Competitive Grant Programs - Project Grants

- **African American Civil Rights Grants:** to States, Tribes, local governments, and nonprofits for physical preservation and history projects which document, interpret, and preserve the sites and stories related to African American Civil Rights.
- **Historically Black Colleges & Universities Grants (HBCUs):** to support physical preservation projects on National Register listed buildings or properties on HBCU campuses.
- **History of Equal Rights Grants:** to preserve and protect sites associated with efforts of all Americans to achieve equal rights.
- **Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants Program:** to provide funds to States, Tribes, local governments, and nonprofits to administer a subgrant program to encourage economic revitalization in rural communities.
- **Save America's Treasures:** for the preservation and conservation of nationally significant properties and collections; eligible applicants are States, Tribes, local governments, nonprofits, and Federal agencies funded by the Department of the Interior and related agencies *except* for the National Park Service.
- **Semiquincentennial:** to provide funds for state-owned properties related to the founding of the nation; eligible applicants are States, Tribes, local governments, and nonprofits.
- **Tribal Heritage Grants:** to Federally recognized tribes for cultural and historic preservation projects.
- **Underrepresented Community Grants:** to increase the diversity of resources listed in the National Register of Historic Places; eligible recipients States, Tribes, local governments.

Disaster Grants - Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund Grants

We currently administer two \$50 million programs to support recovery efforts from Hurricanes Florence and Michael and Super Typhoon Yutu and from Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria.

Assistance Listings: Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Numbers by Grant Program

15.904 - Formula grants to States, Tribes; African American Civil Rights, History of Equal Rights, Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization, Semiquincentennial, Tribal Heritage Grants, Underrepresented Communities

15.929 - Save America's Treasures

15.932 - Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs)

15.957 - Emergency Supplemental Historic Preservation Fund

Additional Information

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