Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office The National Register of Historic Places and Grant Programs

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What is the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP)? The nation's catalogue of buildings, structures, sites, objects, and districts

Significance in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering or culture

Maintained by the Secretary of the Interior under authority of the National Historic Preservation Act (1966). National Park Service regulations (36 CFR Part 60) govern the NRHP nomination process.

The National Register is the foundation of the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) programs.

Who can prepare a National **Register of** Historic Places nomination? Anyone can prepare a National Register nomination for any property and submit the nomination package to the SHPO.

OK/SHPO reviews and processes all nominations received in accordance with NPS regulations (36 CFR Part 60) and the relevant standards and guidelines.

OK/SHPO encourages individuals preparing National Register nominations to involve property owners in the project and to work with the SHPO to provide accurate information to property owners about the National Register process and their rights in that process.

What can be listed in the National Register?

- Buildings
- Structures
- Sites
- Objects
- Districts



Greer County Courthouse, Greer County



Pioneer Woman Statue

Kay County

Fort Gibson National Cemetery, Muskogee County



Little Cabin Creek Bridge, Craig County



100 Block North Greenwood Avenue, Tulsa County

What the National Register Does NOT Do: Restrict the use of the property

Restrict the sale of private property

Require continued maintenance of private property

Require that any specific guidelines be followed in rehabilitation

Require the owner to give tours of the property or open it to the public

Guarantee funds for restoration

Guarantee perpetual maintenance of the property

Provide a tax credit for a private residential structure

Provide a historic marker for the property

What
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architecture, archeology, or engineeringNational
Register
DOES:Provides limited protection when a property is endangered by
federal undertakings (Section 106)Provides the owner of an income-producing property the

Provides the owner of an income-producing property the opportunity to receive investment tax credits for "certified rehabilitation" (tax incentives)

Provides the owner an opportunity to apply for matching grant-in-aid for restoration/rehabilitation when such funding is available

<u>OK/SHPO:</u> <u>NRHP Nomination Grant Program</u>

Matching grant program designed to encourage the nomination of individual properties to the National Register of Historic Places. Funds must be used to retain a professionally qualified consultant

- Grant requests are limited to \$1,000
 - Applicants must provide a cash match on a 60%/40% basis
- <u>Eligible Applicants</u>
 - State, county, local, or tribal governments
 - Private nonprofit organizations incorporated in Oklahoma

• Application Evaluation

- Preferences:
 - Properties representing under-served communities
 - Properties located in Cotton, Dewey, Harmon, McClain, and Major counties
 - Endangered properties
- Properties must meet National Register criteria
- <u>Schedule</u>
 - Completed applications must be received between February 1 and April 30
 - July 1 anticipated contract start date

International Temple Supreme Assembly Order of the Rainbow for Girls, McAlester, listed 2013

National Park Service:

Historic Preservation Fund, Competitive Grants

- Several competitive grant programs designed to assist communities with a variety of historic preservation initiatives. Funding provided by Historic Preservation Fund. Grants administered by National Park Service
- Support historic preservation projects to states, tribes, local governments, educational institutions, and nonprofit organizations.
- Application packages submitted via the grants.gov website.
- <u>Each grant program has its own eligibility requirements, program</u> <u>objectives, and deadlines</u>
- <u>Properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places or be</u> <u>determined eligible for listing</u>

<u>National Park Service:</u> <u>Historic Preservation Fund, Competitive Grants</u>

- African American Civil Rights Grants
 - Grants to document, interpret, and preserve sites and stories related to the African American struggle to gain equal rights
 - States, tribes, local governments, and nonprofits to fund a broad range of planning, development, and research projects

• Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grant

- Subgrant program to support rehabilitation of historic properties in rural communities
- Provides recipients (prime grantees) with a single grant, which is then regranted in smaller amounts to individual projects (subgrants)
 - Could be limited to a single town, to several rural communities in a single county, or throughout a multi-county region or entire state
- History of Equal Rights Grant
 - Grants that aim to preserve sites related to the struggle of all people to achieve equal rights in America
 - Not limited to any specific group; intended to include the broadest possible interpretation of sites
- Underrepresented Communities Grants
 - Grants to increase NRHP listings associated with underrepresented communities
 - Projects can include surveys as well as NRHP nominations
 - Eligibility limited to SHPOs, tribal governments, and certified local governments (CLGs)
- And many more!

<u>National Trust for Historic Preservation:</u> <u>Preservation Fund</u>

- Public agencies and nonprofits eligible; majority of funding awarded for planning and education projects (\$2,500-\$5,000)
 - Only Preservation Leadership Forum (Organizational Level) and Main Street America (Community/General) members eligible to receive funding
- Apply through National Trust's grant interface
- Grants awarded annually in three rounds
 - February 1
 - June 1
 - October 1
- Applicants must be capable of matching the grant amount on a one-to-one basis.
- Eligible Activities
 - Planning
 - Supporting existing staff or obtaining existing expertise
 - Hiring a preservation architect or planner
 - Enhancing organizational capacity (i.e., board training; hiring a fundraising consultant)
 - Education/Outreach (i.e. programming, education activities)

<u>National Trust for Historic Preservation:</u> <u>Special Programs</u>

In addition to the Preservation Fund, the National Trust funds several more specific grant programs with various deadlines

- African American Cultural Heritage Action Fund
 - Preservation of historic places representing African American cultural heritage
 - Fund supports capital projects, organizational capacity building, project planning, and programming/interpretation
 - \$50,0<mark>00-\$150,000</mark>
- National Fund for Sacred Places
 - Preservation of historic houses of worship; for congregations of all faiths
 - Fund supports capital projects, organizational capacity building, and project planning
 - \$50,000-\$250,000
- Properties must possess historical, cultural, or architectural value and/or be listed in or eligible for the National Register of Historic Places
- Construction projects must adhere to the Secretary of the Interior Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties

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