

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD

This announcement is not a request for applications.

This announcement is to provide public notice of the National Park Service's intention to award financial assistance for the following project activities. *Refer to Section 2. Grants.gov Posting Determination.*

ABSTRACT	
Grants.gov Opportunity Number	P19AS00558
Project Title	Research & Write an Administrative History of Tuskegee NHS
Recipient	The Association for the Study of African American Life and History
Anticipated Federal Funding	\$63,305.00
Non-Federal Cost Share	\$0.00
Total Anticipated Award Amount	\$63,305.00
Award Instrument	☒ Task Agreement ☐ Cooperative Agreement ☐ Grant Agreement
Anticipated Period of Performance	October 15, 2019 - October 14, 2021
Legal Authority	54 USC §101702(a)(b)
CFDA # and Title	15.946 Cultural Resource Management
Single Source Justification Criteria	
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Section 1. Project Summary

PROJECT GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

This project will produce the first administrative history of the Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site creating a record of management decisions for the establishment of the park and the execution of park projects to protect the site for future generations and to promote greater public understanding of African American history.

Goal: This project is to create the site's first historical management (administrative history) through the thorough research and writing of an accurate, thorough, and well-written account of the management decisions the site has made. The information contained in the administrative history is essential for present and future on-site management, public interpretation, and resource management decisions.

STATEMENT OF PUBLIC PURPOSE

This project preserve the history of the site. By having a clearer understanding of the administrative history of Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site, access, enjoyment, and research, as well as future interpretive and educational opportunities will be increased for the public. From this point on, Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site will be able to work more closely with partners, such as Tuskegee University, and identify ways to engage the public more through preservation, interpretation, and education. As the only park that is located on an active university campus, Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site may serve as a model for other future parks, which may seek to engage with the public and professionals in a similar way.

STATEMENT OF WORK SUMMARY

The PI will research and write the administrative history of Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site. The key portion of the administrative history will be a narrative of the administration of the park by the NPS, organized chronologically or thematically, as determined by the researcher in consultation with NPS.

It is not the intention of this administrative history to repeat research efforts which have been conducted elsewhere and which are widely available through books, journals, and other publications. Much research has already been conducted into the history of Tuskegee Institute's first principal, Booker T. Washington and George Washington Carver, who accepted Washington's invitation to come to Tuskegee as head of its new Department of Agriculture, and the Tuskegee Airmen, who were supported in part by Tuskegee Institute. Consequently, it will only be necessary for the PI to conduct as much research into these early periods of the park's history as is necessary to write brief introductory chapters to set the stage for this current administrative history.

The administrative history will focus on the planning, development, and management of the park from the 1960s (founded in 1974) to the present. It should address a wide range of management issues across the various units that comprise the park. Decisions, actions, and changes in approach should be dated and sourced. All reference material must be cited to document those decisions and actions.

A successful administrative history will not only document these efforts in a narrative form, but will place these developments in local, state, and national context. In the case of TUIN, the PI should be able to place park-making efforts in context with efforts to establish

RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES

A. The recipient shall be responsible for the following items under this agreement:

1. Select and appoint Principal Investigator
2. Research and write administrative history of Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site
2. Contact and conduct interviews with former superintendents, division chiefs, other key current and former staff of Tuskegee Institute National Historic Site, partners (including Tribal representatives), and other officials
3. Submit all reports, interviews, and records as described in "Deliverables" section of the agreement
4. Acknowledge the NPS in any peer-reviewed publication generated from this project

B. The NPS Responsibilities:



A task agreement is proposed;



A cooperative agreement is proposed;

therefore substantial involvement by NPS is anticipated during the period of performance of this agreement. In support of this agreement NPS will:

1. Work with recipient to review potential investigators and assist in the selection of the PI
2. Provide access to records, previous works and information as needed to accomplish project objectives
3. Provide government furnished recording equipment and assist the PI with selecting and interviewing other individuals
4. Provide timely and comprehensive review of draft material



A grant agreement is proposed, therefore no substantial involvement on the part of the NPS is anticipated for the successful completion of the statement of work. It is anticipated that involvement will be limited to actions related to monitoring project performance and technical assistance at the request of the recipient.

Section 2. Grants.gov Posting Determination

- ☒ The National Park Service intends to award a task agreement under a previously competed or single source justified award.
- ☐ The National Park Service intends to award a single source justified cooperative agreement. *Refer to Section 3 Single Source Justification.*
- ☐ The National Park Service intends to award a single source justified grant agreement. *Refer to Section 3 Single Source Justification.*

Section 3. Single Source Justification

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE SINGLE SOURCE POLICY REQUIREMENTS

National Park Service Policy FAP&P 1443-2015-06 requires a written justification which explains why competition is not practicable. The justification must address one of the following criteria.

In order for an assistance award to be made without competition, the award must satisfy one or more of the following criteria:

- (1) Unsolicited Proposal – The proposed award is the result of an unsolicited assistance application which represents a unique or innovative idea, method, or approach which is not the subject of a current or planned contract or assistance award, but which is deemed advantageous to the program objectives;
- (2) Continuation – The activity to be funded is necessary to the satisfactory completion of, or is a continuation of, an activity presently being funded, for which competition would have a significant adverse effect on the continuity or completion of the activity. A single source on the basis of continuation must demonstrate that competition would result in a substantial duplicate cost to the government that cannot be recovered through competition;
- (3) Legislative intent – The language in the applicable authorizing legislation or legislative history clearly indicates Congress' intent to restrict the award to a particular recipient of purpose;
- (4) Unique Qualifications – The applicant is uniquely qualified to perform the activity based upon a variety of demonstrable factors such as location, property ownership, voluntary support capacity, technical expertise, or other such unique qualifications;
- (5) Emergencies – Program/award where there is insufficient time available (due to a compelling and unusual urgency, or substantial danger to health or safety) for adequate competitive procedures to be followed.

NPS did not solicit full and open competition for this award based the following criteria:

- ☒ Task Agreement issued under previously competed or single source master cooperative agreement per Section 2 above. Single Source Justification not applicable.
- ☐ Unsolicited Proposal ☐ Continuation ☐ Emergency
- ☐ Legislative Intent ☐ Unique Qualifications

Explanation of the proposed recipient's qualifications or the criteria of the proposed project which requires use of the single source criteria cited.

Section 4. Department of the Interior Secretary's Priorities

This award will support the following DOI Secretary priority(ies):

Other Key Initiatives:

- ☐ Employment of veterans.
- ☐ Supporting DOI Infrastructure needs.
- ☐ Creating jobs in the American economy.
- ☐ Access to outdoor recreation opportunities.

Priority 1: Creating a conservation stewardship legacy second only to Teddy Roosevelt

- ☐ Utilize science to identify best practices to manage land and water resources and adapt to changes in the environment.
- ☐ Examine land use planning process and land use designations that govern public use and access.
- ☐ Revise and streamline the environmental and regulatory review process while maintaining environmental standards.
- ☐ Review DOI water storage, transportation, and distribution systems to identify opportunities to resolve conflicts and expand capacity.
- ☐ Foster relationships with conservation organizations advocating for balanced stewardship and use of public lands.
- ☐ Identify and implement initiatives to expand access to DOI lands for hunting and fishing.
- ☐ Shift the balance towards providing greater public access to public lands over restrictions to access.

Priority 2: Utilizing our natural resources

- ☐ Ensure American energy is available to meet our security and economic needs.
- ☐ Ensure access to mineral resources, especially the critical and rare earth minerals.
- ☐ Refocus timber programs to embrace the entire 'healthy forests' lifecycle.
- ☐ Manage competition for grazing resources.

Priority 3: Restoring trust with local communities

- ☒ Be a better neighbor with those closest to our resources by improving dialogue and relationships with persons and entities bordering our lands.
- ☐ Expand the lines of communication with Governors, state natural resource offices, Fish and Wildlife offices, water authorities, county commissioners, Tribes, and local communities.

Priority 4: Ensuring sovereignty means something

- ☐ Support tribal self-determination, self-governance, and sovereignty.
- ☐ Solidify mutual interests between the U.S. and the freely associated states and territories.

Priority 5: Generating additional revenues to support DOI & National interests

- ☐ Ensure that the public receives the full market value for the natural resources produced on Federal lands.
- ☐ Ensure that fees or costs levied for DOI services are reasonable and targeted to achieve cost recovery.
- ☐ Consider the impact of DOI decisions on economic development and job creation.

Priority 6: Protecting our people and the border

- ☐ Actively support efforts to secure our southern border.
- ☐ Ensure DOI law enforcement staffing addresses public safety risks anticipated on DOI land.
- ☐ Promote a "public service" demeanor within our law enforcement community.

Priority 7: Striking a regulatory balance

- ☐ Reduce the administrative and regulatory burden imposed on U.S. industry and the public.
- ☐ Ensure that Endangered Species Act decisions are based on strong science and thorough analysis.

Priority 8: Modernizing our infrastructure

- ☐ Support the White House Public/Private Partnership Initiative to modernize U.S. infrastructure.
- ☐ Remove impediments to infrastructure development and facilitate private sector efforts to construct infrastructure projects serving American needs.
- ☐ Prioritize DOI infrastructure needs to highlight:
 1. Construction of infrastructure;
 2. Cyclical maintenance;
 3. Deferred maintenance.

Priority 9: Reorganizing for the next 100 years

- ☐ Improve alignment and integration of the DOI organizational structure. Redistribute organizational resources (people and funding) to enhance mission achievement and improved public service.
- ☐ Improve organizational alignment with Executive Branch counterparts with major land management assets or influence.

Priority 10: Achieving our goals and leading our team forward

- ☐ Senior executives are expected to provide leadership in achieving goals of the President and the Secretary.
- ☐ The Management Team is expected to:
 1. Ensure cost-effective operations and quality service to the public;
 2. Facilitate organizational cooperation and conflict resolution;
 3. Ensure the workplace environment is conducive to employee productivity and safety;
 4. Hold individuals accountable for actions that violate DOI policies and requirements.

The proposed project does not support any of the DOI Secretary priorities, but the project is being funded for the following reasons: