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Section A: Program Description

Federal Agency Name: Department of the Interior, National Park Service

Funding Opportunity Title: 2018 Save America's Treasures Preservation Grants

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Catalog Of Federal Domestic Assistance (CFDA) Number: 15.929

Legislative Authority:
54 USC 308901 et seq.
Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2018, P.L. 115-141

Federal Regulations: 2 C.F.R. § 200, 2 C.F.R. § 1402

Program Background Information and Objectives:

Save America's Treasures grants from the Historic Preservation Fund provide preservation and/or conservation assistance to nationally significant historic properties and collections. Grants are awarded through a competitive process and require a dollar-for-dollar, non-Federal match, which can be cash or documented in-kind. The grants are administered by the National Park Service (NPS) in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

Department of the Interior Priorities:
This program supports the following Department of the Interior (DOI) priorities:

1. Modernizing our infrastructure: Remove impediments to infrastructure development and facilitate private sector efforts to construct infrastructure projects serving American needs;
2. Restoring trust with local communities: Expand the lines of communication with Governors, state natural resource offices, Fish and Wildlife offices, water authorities, county commissioners, Tribes, and local communities.

Section B: Federal Award Information

Anticipated Federal Funding:
The FY2018 and FY2019 appropriations for this program may be combined to total at least $13,000,000 (FY2018 appropriation) and awarded dependent on receipt of sufficient eligible applications. The amount above will be divided between preservation projects and collections projects through the selection process. Preservation projects: P18AS00728 Collections projects: P18AS00727.

Non-Federal Entity Cost Share:
The non-Federal entity must provide a non-Federal dollar for dollar cost match (50%). Contributions for cost match must be made from non-Federal sources which may include cash, in-kind contributions or services, or donated materials.

Estimated Number of Agreements to be Awarded: 25
Each activity or project under this agreement will be treated individually, with more detail through project statements, project plans and budgets developed cooperatively between the NPS and the non-Federal entity. The number above is the combination of expected preservation projects plus collections projects for the Save America's Treasures grant program.

Estimated Amount of Funding Available Per Award:
An estimated range of $125,000.00 to $500,000.00 of funding is anticipated for each award. The amount of funding available per award for this Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) will be determined as part of the application review process based on applications received and funding made available through appropriations.

Anticipated Start Date:
Projects receiving funding through this NOFO will start once funding has been secured and awards have been made. Do not anticipate a start date sooner than fall of 2019.

Anticipated Term of the Agreement:
Agreement terms for funded projects are estimated to range between one and three years, depending on the negotiated project statement of work. Agreements are not effective until fully executed with signature from the NPS Financial Assistance Awarding Officer.

Grant Agreement - A legal instrument of financial assistance between The National Park Service and a non-Federal entity that, consistent with 31 U.S.C. § 6302, 6304:

(1) Is used to enter into a relationship the principal purpose of which is to transfer anything of value from the Federal awarding agency to the non-Federal entity to carry out a public purpose authorized by a law of the United States (see 31 U.S.C. § 6101(3)); and not to acquire property or services for the Federal awarding agency's direct benefit or use;

(2) Is distinguished from a cooperative agreement in that it does not provide for substantial involvement between the Federal awarding agency or pass-through entity and the non-Federal entity in carrying out the activity contemplated by the Federal award.

Substantial Involvement:
No substantial involvement on the part of the National Park Service is anticipated.

Other Information:

1. Applications for renewal or supplementation of existing projects are not eligible to compete with applications for new Federal awards.

2. Any historic property receiving grant assistance through the Save America's Treasures grant program will be required to place a preservation covenant/easement on the property to preserve the significance and integrity that made the property historic.

3. Projects funded under this program constitute "undertakings" as defined by Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended (54 U.S.C. 306108). Accordingly, after the grant is awarded, the National Park Service will work with the grantee to complete the consultation process with the appropriate State Historic Preservation Officer or Tribal Historic Preservation Officer prior to receiving funds from their grant account. Depending on the project, additional federal reviews may be required under other laws such as, the Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (ARPA), the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).

Section C: Eligibility Information

Application Due Date: December 3, 2019 at 11:59 PM Eastern.
An applicant's failure to meet an eligibility criterion by the time of the application deadline will result in the application being excluded from consideration. This includes but is not limited to late and incomplete application packages.

1. Eligible Applicants

In accordance with the National Historic Preservation Act as amended, 54 USC §300101, this funding opportunity is limited to:

- Nonprofit, tax-exempt 501(c)(3), U.S organizations
- Units of state or local government
- Federally-recognized Indian Tribes, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiian Organizations, as defined by 54 USC § 300300
- Educational institutions
- Federal agencies funded by the Department of the Interior and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, with the exception of the National Park Service (NPS).
    - Grants will not be available for work on sites or collections owned by the NPS.
    - Other federal agencies collaborating with a nonprofit partner to preserve the historic properties or collections owned by the federal agency may submit applications through the nonprofit partner.
- Preservation projects must be:
    - Designated individually as a National Historic Landmark or a contributing structure to a National Historic Landmark District.
    - Listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places for national significance (not state or local significance) or a contributing structure to a historic district that is listed in the National Register for its national significance.

***Individual projects are only eligible for one SAT grant. Individual properties or collections that received a SAT grant in the past are not eligible for additional funding. A list of past, funded projects can be found at:**
http://www.archfoundation.org/2016/02/treasure-map/

2. Cost Sharing or Matching

In accordance with 54 USC 308901 et seq. Public law 111-11, Title VII, Subtitle D, Section 7303(b) non-Federal cost share in the amount of 50% is required to be eligible for an award under this NOFO. The non-Federal entity must be willing to contribute at least 50% of the total project cost from non-Federal sources as evidenced by a letter of commitment from the applicant. Eligible non-Federal sources of contributions must be in accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.306 and may include: cash, in-kind contributions, and/or volunteer services. Non-Federal entity cost share contributions shall be annotated within the SF-424A or C (reference section D, Application and Submission Information). Thus the non-Federal entity must provide a non-Federal dollar for dollar cost match.

Section D: Application and Submission Information

1. Address to Request Application Package

All application materials, including photographs, become the property of the National Park Service and may be reproduced by NPS or its partner organizations without permission; appropriate credit will be given for any such use. Additional materials not specifically requested by NPS, and materials sent separately from the application, will be discarded.

The Application Package contains several mandatory forms, which must be submitted with your application.
*Documents 1 through 7 are included in your Workspace on grants.gov

1. SF-424 (Application for Financial Assistance)
2. SF-424A (Budget Information for Non-Construction Programs)
3. SF-424B (Assurance for Non-Construction Programs)

***Please note: ALL applicants must fill out the SF-424A and SF-424B, they are mandatory for all grant applications.**

4. SF-424C (Budget Information for Construction Programs)
5. SF-424D (Assurance for Construction Programs)
6. SF-LLL (Disclosure of Lobbying Activities), if anticipated award is over $100,000
7. Attachments Form

*Documents 8-10 are under the related documents tab on grants.gov.

8. Project Description Worksheet
9. Budget Justification Worksheet
10. Project Images Worksheet
11. Indirect Cost Rate
12. Proof of Non-profit Status
13. Letter of Owner Consent (If applicable, see below)
14. Letters of Support (If applicable, see below)
15. Statement of Overlap of Federal Funds

2. Contents and Form of Application Submission

You must complete the mandatory forms and any applicable optional forms, in accordance with the instructions below, as required by this NOFO. Do not include any proprietary or personally identifiable information. A complete application should include:

- Standard Form 424 (SF 424) – Application for Federal Assistance
    - Complete this form as much as possible with all applicable information. Please note: You must provide your ZIP Code + 4. Your DUNS Number must exactly match your SAM.gov registration.

- Standard Forms 424A and 424C – Budget Information
    - The project budget shall include detailed information on all cost categories and must clearly identify all project costs. Unit costs shall be provided for all budget items including the cost of work to be provided by contractors or sub-recipients.

All costs shown in the budget documents should match what is discussed in the project description worksheet. Cost categories can include, but are not limited to, those costs items included on the SF424A and SF424C.

- **NOTE**: No more than 25% of the entire budget may be applied towards administrative costs (defined below), plus indirect costs.

- Administrative costs are: Allowable, reasonable, and allocable costs related to the overall management of activities directly related to finance (accounting, auditing, budgeting, contracting), general administrative salaries and wages (grant administration, personnel, property management, equal opportunity) and other "overhead" functions (general legal services, general liability insurance, depreciation on buildings and equipment, etc.) not directly attributable to specific program areas identified in the grant agreement. All administrative costs reported must be absolutely necessary for project and/or program implementation, such as the cost items identified in the final grant agreement or items otherwise approved in writing by the NPS Awarding Officer (AO).

- Standard Forms 424B and D - Assurances
  - This form must be signed and submitted with your application. This will happen within Workspace on Grants.gov.

- Standard Form LLL - Disclosure of Lobbying Activities
  - In accordance with 43 C.F.R. § 18 and 31 U.S.C. § 1352 this form must be completed and signed if the amount of the Federal award is anticipated to exceed $100,000.00.

- Attachments Form
  - This form is in Workspace and is where each applicant will attach the necessary documents listed above as 8-13.

- Project Description Worksheet
  - Project descriptions must address each of the evaluation criteria and applications will be reviewed against this rubric as part of the merit evaluation process. NPS will evaluate and consider only those applications that separately address each of the five criteria listed in Section E.

- Budget Justification Worksheet
  - All costs listed in the SF-424A/C must correspond to the activities in the Project Description and must be outlined in the Budget Justification Worksheet. However, do not include your cost breakdown as part of the narrative Project Description.

Please note : Maximum hourly wages charged to this grant for personnel and consultants may not exceed 120% of the salary of a Federal Civil Service GS-15, Step 10. Current salary tables for your location can be found on the Office of Personnel Management website: https://www.opm.gov.

- Project Images Worksheet
  - Please ensure you include one current photo per elevation as well as one current overall photo at a minimum.
  - Photos should show current conditions and immediate threat.
  - Color or black and white photos are both accepted
  - Photographs should be of the community and the historic site, museum property, downtown, or significant resource involved in the project.

- Indirect Cost Rate Agreement, if applicable
  - If your proposed budget includes indirect costs, the rate as proposed must meet the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200, Section 200.414 and 2 CFR Part 200, Appendix III through Appendix VII as applicable. A negotiated indirect cost rate agreement must be provided with your proposal. If selecting use of 10% de minimus rate because of no prior negotiated indirect cost rate a De Minimis Indirect Cost Rate Certification must be submitted. Proposals that fail to document their indirect costs will have those costs disallowed. Indirect and direct administrative costs may not exceed 25% of the total project budget as defined in 54 USC 301 et seq.

- Proof of Non-Profit Status
  - Please attach your organization's IRS Determination Letter.

- Letter of Owner Consent
  - If your project is doing work to or preparing a National Register nomination for a property and the owner is different than the applicant, then the applicant must include written permission from the owner to complete the project with the application.

- Letters of Support
  - Letters of support should only be submitted if defining specific partner support or matching funds. These letters must submitted with your application via grants.gov. Letters received in any other manner will not be considered. All letters must be addressed to: Megan Brown, Chief of State, Tribal, Local, Plans and Grants Division, NPS.

- Statement of Overlap of Federal Funds
  - All applicants must provide a statement to identify whether or not any overlap exists between the proposed project and any other active or anticipated project(s) in terms of activities, costs, or time commitment of key personnel, including any application that was submitted for funding consideration to any other potential funding source (Federal or non-Federal).
  - The statement and the description of overlap or duplication should be provided as a separate attachment to the application.
  - If no overlap or duplication exists, a sample statement to satisfy this requirement might be: "[Insert Applicant Name] affirms that no overlap or duplication exists

between the proposed project in this application and any other active or anticipated project in terms of activities, costs, or time commitment of key personnel, including any application that was submitted for funding consideration to any other potential funding source (Federal or non-Federal)."

- If any overlap or duplication does exist, applicants must provide a description of the overlap including when the overlapping or duplicative proposal(s) were submitted, to whom (entity and program), and when funding decisions are expected to be announced.
- If at any time a proposal is awarded funds that would be overlapping or duplicative of the funding requested from NPS, the applicant must immediately notify the NPS point of contact. Any overlap or duplication of funding between the proposed project and other active or anticipated projects may impact selection and/or funding amount.

If selected for award, NPS reserves the right to request additional or clarifying information for any reason deemed necessary, including, but not limited to:

(a) Other budget information
(b) Financial capability
(c) Evaluation of risk
(d) Name and phone number of the Designated Responsible Employee for complying with national policies prohibiting discrimination (See 43 C.F.R. § 17)

3. Unique entity identifier and System for Award Management (SAM)

Each applicant (unless exempt under 2 CFR §25.110) is required to:

(a) Be registered in SAM;
(b) Provide a valid unique entity identifier in its application (currently a DUNS number);
(c) Continue to maintain an active SAM registration with current information at all times during which it has an active Federal award or an application or plan under consideration by a Federal awarding agency.

Registration processes for SAM can be found at https://www.sam.gov

A financial assistance agreement will not be made with a non-Federal entity until the non-Federal entity has complied with all applicable unique entity identifier and SAM requirements. If a non-Federal entity has not fully complied with the requirements by the time that an agreement is ready for award, a determination may be made that the applicant is not qualified to receive a Federal award. That determination may be used as a basis for making a Federal award to another applicant.

In addition, in order to submit an application through Grants.gov an applicant must have an active SAM registration and register for submission permissions through the Grants.gov website. Utilize the following link to guide you through this process:
http://www.grants.gov/web/grants/applicants/organization-registration.html

4. Submission Dates and Times

Applicants are held responsible for their proposals being submitted to the National Park Service. Applications must be received by December 3, 2018 at 11:59 PM Eastern. Applicants are encouraged to submit the application well before the deadline.

Application preparation time may take several weeks, so please start the application process as soon as possible. Applications received after the deadline will not be reviewed or considered for award. If it is determined that a proposal was not considered due to lateness, the applicant will be notified after the selection process.

***Please note: registration in these systems can take several weeks. Extensions due to incomplete registrations in these systems will NOT be provided.**

5. Intergovernmental Review

This funding opportunity is not subject to Executive Order (EO) 12372 "Intergovernmental Review of Federal Programs." Applicants subject to EO 12372 must contact their State's Single Point of Contact (SPOC) to find out about and comply with the State's process. The names and addresses of the SPOC's are listed in the OMB's home page at: https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2017/11/SPOC-Feb.-2018.pdf

6. Funding Restrictions

Costs incurred by the applicant prior to the start date of the period of performance of a signed Federal award are only allowable with written approval by a Financial Assistance Awarding Officer.

7. Other Submission Requirements

Applications must be submitted through Grants.gov to the National Park Service by December 3, 2018 at 11:59 PM Eastern. Applications submitted by other means or not received by the deadline will not be considered.

After you submit your application you should receive three emails from grants.gov.

1. The first email will be a confirmation that you have submitted your application.



Home > Apply for Grants > Confirmation

Confirmation

Thank you for submitting your grant application package via Grants.gov. Your application is currently being processed by the Grants.gov system. Once your submission has been processed, Grants.gov will send email messages to advise you of the progress of your application through the system. Over the next 24 to 48 hours, you should receive two emails. The first will confirm receipt of your application by the Grants.gov system, and the second will indicate that the application has either been successfully validated by the system prior to transmission to the grantor agency or has been rejected due to errors.

2. The second email will confirm receipt of your application by the grants.gov system.

From: DoNotReply@grants.gov [mailto:DoNotReply@grants.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, December 2, 2015 9:55 AM
To: jdoe@applicant.org
Subject: GRANT10637616 Grants.gov Submission Receipt

Your application has been received by Grants.gov, and is currently being validated.
Your submission was received at Dec 2, 2015 03:25:55 AM EST

Validation may take up to 2 business days. To check the status of your application please click here
http://www.grants.gov/applicants/track-my-application.html?tracking_num=GRANT10637616

Type: GRANT

Grants.gov Tracking Number: GRANT10637616

We will notify you via email when your application has been validated by Grants.gov and is being prepared for Grantor agency retrieval.

DUNS Number: 0000000000000

AOR name: James Doe

Application Name: ApplicationName

Opportunity Number: OPPORTUNITY-NUMBER-1

Opportunity Name: Opportunity Name

https://apply07.grants.gov/apply/login.faces?cleanSession=1&userType=applicant

Thank you.
Grants.gov
If you have questions please contact the Grants.gov Contact Center:
support@grants.gov
1-800-518-4726
24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Closed on federal holidays.

PLEASE NOTE: This email is for notification purposes only. Please do not reply to this email for any purpose.

3. The third will indicate that the application has either been successfully validated by the system or rejected due to errors. If your application is rejected due to errors, please contact grants.gov immediately. Your application must be validated in order for your application to be forwarded to NPS and be considered for funding.

From: DoNotReply@grants.gov [DoNotReply@grants.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 01, 2013 12:13 PM
To: jdoe@applicant.org
Subject: GRANT10582033 Grants.gov Submission Validation Receipt for Application

Your application has been received and validated by Grants.gov and is being prepared for Grantor agency retrieval.

DUNS Number: 0000000000000

AOR name: Mary Smith

Application Name: ApplicationName

Opportunity Number: OPPORTUNITY-NUMBER-1

Opportunity Name: Opportunity Name

https://apply07.grants.gov/apply/login.faces?cleanSession=1&userType=applicant

You will be notified via email when your application has been retrieved by Grantor agency.

Thank you.
Grants.gov
If you have questions please contact the Grants.gov Contact Center;
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24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Closed on federal holidays.

PLEASE NOTE: This email is for notification purposes only. Please do not reply to this email for any purpose.

In the event the applicant experiences technical difficulties with submitting their application, please contact: STLPG@nps.gov or 202-354-2020. Issues with Grants.gov should be resolved by calling 1-800-518-4726 or visiting their online help desk. Document any issues with submission carefully.

START THIS PROCESS EARLY DON'T DELAY!

Section E: Application Review Information

1. Criteria

NPS will evaluate and consider only those applications that separately address each of the merit review criteria. Each applicant is required to provide a detailed project description, in accordance with section D.2., of the following criteria elements.

Criterion 1	
	Weight 20%
National Significance	The historic property must be **nationally significant.** Properties not meeting this criterion will receive no further consideration. The quality of national significance is ascribed to historic properties that possess exceptional value or quality in illustrating or interpreting the intellectual and cultural heritage and the built environment of the United States, that possess a high degree of integrity, and that are: o Designated individually as a National Historic Landmark or a contributing structure to a National Historic Landmark District. o Listed individually in the National Register of Historic Places for national significance (not state or local significance) or a contributing structure to a historic district that is listed in the National Register for its national significance.

Criterion 2	
	Weight 20%
Severity of Threat to Property	Describe the current condition of the historic property and explain how it is threatened or endangered. The source(s), nature, extent, and severity of the threat, danger or damage to the property must be clearly and convincingly argued.

Criterion 3	
	Weight 20%
How Effectively the Project Mitigates the Threat	Projects must substantially mitigate or eliminate the threat, danger, or damage described must have a clear public benefit (for example, historic places open for visitation or public use). Please clearly state what preservation activities will be undertaken as part of this project and address the following points: 1. Describe the key project activities and products to be supported by this grant and the non-Federal match. 2. Describe how the work will significantly diminish or eliminate the threat, danger, or damage to the historic property. 3. Explain any pre-project planning or research, such as Historic Structures Reports, on which project decisions are based. 4. List the key type of personnel undertaking the work and briefly describe the qualifications you will require. Consultants must be selected competitively and their qualifications reviewed and approved by the Federal agency overseeing the grant. 5. Describe how the project will have a clear public benefit. 6. Explain how your organization will ensure continued maintenance of the historic property. 7. If this application is for one component of a larger project, has that project begun? If so, what work has been completed? Has the ongoing work been reviewed by the State Historic Preservation Office? 8. If the building will have a new use after the grant funded work is complete,

	what is that use? 9. Is any new construction planned in the vicinity of the historic property? 10. Will this project also involve the use of Federal Historic Preservation Tax Credits?

Criterion 4	
	Weight 20%
Feasibility	Discuss how the project is feasible (i.e. able to be completed within the proposed activities, schedule, and budget described in the application). The application must address: 1. Document the sources of required non-Federal match. List the secured and proposed sources and amounts of the required dollar-for-dollar non-Federal match, which can be cash or in-kind. Federal appropriations or other Federal grants, except CDBG grants from the Department of Housing and Urban Development, may not be used for match. All non-Federal matching-share must be used during the grant period for the proposed project. If the match is not secured, explain how it will be raised. Include information about specific fund-raising projects or other grants that are being sought as matching share. Discuss past successes in fund-raising efforts. 2. Provide a timeline for project completion. Should your application be successful, the period of support will be negotiated by you and the funding agency, but is typically 2-3 years. No work undertaken before a grant is awarded will be supported by grant funds. Timeline should not include specific dates, e.g. "Month 1: planning Month 2: Research." Work should not be scheduled to begin prior to April 2018. 3. Describe how the project will result in the recognition, understanding, and preservation of associated resources. Describe any public-private partnerships involved in the project and how these partnerships will sustain and continue to support the resource(s) after the grant project is complete.

Criterion 5	
Description	Weight 20%
Department of the Interior Priorities	Discuss how your project advances the following DOI priorities: 1. Modernizing our infrastructure: Remove impediments to infrastructure development and facilitate private sector efforts to construct infrastructure projects serving American needs; 2. Restoring trust with local communities: Expand the lines of communication with Governors, state natural resource offices, Fish and Wildlife offices, water authorities, county commissioners, Tribes, and local communities.

2. Review and Selection Process

NPS personnel, and in some cases independent reviewers, will review all proposals. All proposals for funding will be considered using the criteria outlined above. A summary of the review panel comments may be provided to the applicant if requested.

a. Initial Review

Prior to conducting the comprehensive merit review, an initial review will be performed to determine whether: (1) the applicant is eligible for an award; (2) the information required by the NOFO has been submitted; (3) all mandatory requirements of the NOFO are satisfied; and (4) the proposed project is responsive to the program objectives of the NOFO (program determination). If an applicant fails to meet the requirements or objectives of the NOFO, or does not provide sufficient information for review, the applicant will be considered non-responsive and eliminated from further review.

b. Comprehensive Merit Review

All applications that satisfactorily pass the initial review will be eligible for the Comprehensive Merit Review. Each criteria element will be scored 20 point scale:

Description					
Criterion 1	Criterion 2	Criterion 3	Criterion 4	Criterion 5	
20	20	20	20	20	Superior
16	16	16	16	16	Good
12	12	12	12	12	Satisfactory
8	8	8	8	8	Marginal
4	4	4	4	4	Poor
0	0	0	0	0	Not Acceptable

The scoring of each criterion must be based on the strengths and weaknesses of the application narrative. To assist in assigning an appropriate score, the following will be used as a guideline:

Rating	Descriptive Statement
Superior	Applicant fully addresses all aspects of the criterion, convincingly demonstrates that it will meet the Government's performance requirements, and demonstrates no weaknesses.
Good	Applicant fully addresses all aspects of the criterion, convincingly demonstrates a likelihood of meeting the Government's requirements, and demonstrates only a few minor weaknesses.
Satisfactory	Applicant addresses all aspects of the criterion and demonstrates the ability to meet the Government's performance requirements. The Application contains weaknesses and/or a number of minor weaknesses.
Marginal	Applicant addresses all aspects of the criterion and demonstrates the ability to meet the Government's performance requirements. The Application contains significant weaknesses and/or significant minor weaknesses.
Poor	The likelihood of successfully meeting the Government's requirements. Significant weaknesses are demonstrated and clearly outweigh any strength presented.

Not Acceptable	Applicant does not address all aspects of the criterion and the information presented indicates a strong likelihood of failure to meet the Government's requirements.

c. Selection

The Selection Official may consider the merit review recommendation, program policy factors, and the amount of funds available to select applications for funding. All proposals for funding will be considered using the criteria outlined above. A summary of the review panel comments may be provided to the applicant if requested.

d. Discussions and Award

The Government may enter into discussions with a selected applicant for any reason deemed necessary, including, but not limited to: (1) only a portion of the application is selected for award; (2) the Government needs additional information to determine that the applicant is capable of complying with the requirements of DOI Financial Assistance Regulations, and/or (3) additional specific terms and conditions are required. Failure to satisfactorily resolve the issues identified by the Government may preclude award to the applicant.

3. Evaluation of Applicant Risk

In accordance with 2 C.F.R. § 200.205, applications selected for funding will be subject to a pre-award risk assessment which may include a review of information contained within the applicant's proposal, past audits, Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS), and/or past performance on previous Federal financial assistance awards. Negative information that leads to an applicant being designated as "Medium Risk" or "High Risk" may result in specific conditions, as identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.207, being incorporated into the final award.

4. What is NOT Funded

- Construction of new buildings.
- Acquisition of collections or historic sites.
- Long-term maintenance or curatorial work beyond the grant period.
- Reconstructing historic properties (recreating all or a significant portion that no longer exists).
- Moving historic properties or work to historic properties that have been moved and are no longer eligible for listing in the NRHP.
- Cash reserves, endowments, or revolving funds.
- Fund-raising costs.
- Work performed prior to announcement of award.
- Lobbying or advocacy activities.

- Costs for work already funded through other federal programs such as the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives program.

Section F: Federal Award Administration Information

1. Federal Award Notices

Upon being selected for the award, successful applicants will receive a notification of the selection of their application for funding. NPS will notify the applicant selected for award by fall of 2019. A notice of selection is not an authorization to begin performance on an agreement. This notice will detail the next steps in the awarding process. Once all clearances and reviews have been conducted, a grant agreement will be sent for signature.

Work cannot begin before the non-Federal entity receives a fully executed copy of the grant agreement which contains the signature of the Financial Assistance Awarding Officer. Any pre-award costs incurred prior to the receipt of a signed agreement or written notice signed by a Financial Assistance Awarding Officer authorizing pre-award costs, is at the applicant's own risk. A signed grant agreement signed by a Financial Assistance Awarding Officer is the only authorizing document to begin performance.

Organizations whose applications have not been selected will be advised as promptly as possible.

2. Administrative and National Policy Requirements

a. Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)

By accepting Federal financial assistance, the non-Federal entity agrees to abide by the applicable Federal regulations in the expenditure of Federal funds and performance under this program: 2 C.F.R. Part 200 - Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements For Federal Awards

b. Standard Award Terms and Conditions

Acceptance of a Federal financial assistance award from the Department of the Interior carries with it the responsibility to be aware of and comply with the terms and conditions of the award. Acceptance is defined as the start of work, drawing down funds, or accepting the award via electronic means. Awards are based on the application submitted to, and as approved by the Financial Assistance Awarding Officer. All financial assistance awards are subject to the terms and conditions incorporated either directly or by reference in the award document. Code of Federal Regulations/Regulatory Requirements, as applicable, are listed within Appendix B of this announcement (Contact the Financial Assistance Awarding Officer with any questions regarding the applicability of any terms and conditions).

- 2 C.F.R. Part 175 - Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000
- 2 C.F.R. Parts 182 & 1401 - Government-wide Requirements for a Drug-Free Workplace
- 2 C.F.R. Parts 180 & 1400 - Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement)
- 43 CFR. 18 - Restrictions on Lobbying

c. Order of Precedence

Any inconsistency in the agreement shall be resolved by giving precedence in the following order: (a) Any national policy requirements and administrative management standards; (b) 2 C.F.R. Part 200, in its entirety; (c) requirements of the applicable OMB Circulars and Treasury regulations; (d) special terms and conditions; (e) all agreement sections, documents, exhibits, and attachments; (f) and the non-Federal Entity's project proposal.

d. Modifications
The agreement may be modified by written agreement signed by both the non-Federal entity's Authorized Representative and the Financial Assistance Awarding Officer. Administrative changes (i.e. Financial Assistance Awarding Officer name change, etc.) which do not change the statement of work, agreement amount, etc., or otherwise affect the non-Federal entity may be signed unilaterally by the Financial Assistance Awarding Officer. Additionally, a unilateral modification may be utilized if it should become necessary to impose remedies for non- compliance, suspension or termination of the agreement in accordance with 2 CFR 200, Section 200.338 – 200.342.

All other changes shall be made by means of a bilateral modification to the agreement. No oral statement made by any person, or written statement by any person other than the NPS Financial Assistance Awarding Officer shall be allowed in any manner or degree to modify or otherwise effect the terms of the agreement.

e. Payments
All applicants must be registered in the System for Awards Management (SAM) prior to award under this NOFO. Instructions for registering for SAM are located at http://www.sam.gov/portal/public/SAM. All applicants must maintain an active SAM registration with current information at all times while they have an active Federal award or an application under consideration.

All applicants must also be registered with, and willing to process all payments through, the Department of the Treasury Automated Standard Application for Payments (ASAP) system. All non-Federal entities with active NPS financial assistance agreements must be enrolled in ASAP under the appropriate Agency Location Code(s) (ALC) and the Data Universal Number System (DUNS) Number prior to the award of funds. If a non-Federal has multiple DUNS numbers they must separately enroll within ASAP for each unique DUNS Number and/or Agency. Note that if your entity is currently enrolled in the ASAP system with an agency other than NPS, you must enroll specifically with NPS in order to process payments.

f. Funding Restrictions
All funding is contingent upon the availability and appropriation of funds by the United States Congress.

g. Cost Principles:
Costs must be allowable in accordance with the applicable Federal cost principles referenced in 2 CFR Part 200, Subpart E – Cost Principles.

h. Pre-award Costs:

No pre-award costs are allowed.

3. Reporting

a. Financial Status Reports:
A report of expenditures is required as documentation of the financial status of awards according to the official accounting records of the non-Federal entity. The financial information will be reported by completing and submitting the Federal Financial Report (FFR), SF425. At a minimum, financial reports will be required annually and shall be submitted within 90 calendar days after the end of the annual reporting period. The Financial Assistance Awarding Officer may designate a reporting schedule requiring more frequent reporting based on the assessment of risk. The reporting requirements will be defined within the grant agreement. A final FFR shall be submitted no more than 90 calendar days after the end date of the agreement.

The FFR can be downloaded at:
http://www.whitehouse.gov/omb/grants/standard_forms/ffr.pdf

The NPS Financial Assistance Awarding Officer will review the report for patterns of cash expenditures and assess whether performance or financial management problems exist. Before submitting the FFR to the NPS Financial Assistance Awarding Officer, the non-Federal entity must ensure that the information submitted is accurate, complete, and consistent with the non-Federal entity's accounting system. The non-Federal entity's Authorized Certifying Official's signature on the FFR certifies that the information in the FFR is correct and complete and that all outlays and obligations are for the purposes set forth in the agreement documents, and represents a claim to the Federal Government. Filing a false claim may result in the imposition of civil or criminal penalties.

b. Performance Reports:
A report of performance is required as documentation of performance towards the accomplishments of the Federal award and detailing project activity and participant profile information. At a minimum, performance reports will be required annually and shall be submitted within 90 calendar days after the end of the annual reporting period. The Financial Assistance Awarding Officer may designate a reporting schedule requiring more frequent reporting based on the assessment of risk. The reporting requirements will be defined within the grant agreement. A final performance report shall be submitted no more than 90 calendar days after the end date of the agreement.

In accordance with 2 C.F.R. 200 § 200.328, the performance reports shall contain brief information on:

(1) A comparison of actual accomplishments to the objectives of the Federal award established for the period. Where the accomplishments of the Federal award can be quantified, a computation of the cost (for example, related to units of accomplishment) may be required if that information will be useful. Where performance trend data and

analysis would be informative to the Federal awarding agency program, the Federal awarding agency should include this as a performance reporting requirement;
(2) The reasons why established goals were not met, if appropriate; and
(3) Additional pertinent information including, when appropriate, analysis and explanation of cost overruns or high unit costs.

Before submitting the performance report to the NPS Financial Assistance Awarding Officer, the non-Federal entity must ensure that the information submitted is accurate, complete, and consistent with the non-Federal entity's Federal financial report. Filing false information may result in the imposition of civil or criminal penalties.

c. Non-Compliance:
Failure to comply with the reporting requirements contained in an agreement may be considered a material non-compliance with the terms and conditions of the award. Non-compliance may result in withholding of future payments, suspension or termination of the agreement, recovery of funds paid under the agreement, and the withholding of future awards. The specific information regarding type, frequency and means of submission of post-Federal award reporting requirements will be contained in the award document.

4. Reporting Matters Related to Recipient Integrity and Performance:
If the total value of your currently active grants, cooperative agreements, and procurement contracts from all Federal awarding agencies exceeds $10,000,000 for any period of time during the period of performance of this Federal award, then you as the recipient during that period of time must maintain the currency of information reported to the System for Award Management (SAM) that is made available in the designated integrity and performance system (currently the Federal Awardee Performance and Integrity Information System (FAPIIS)) about civil, criminal, or administrative proceedings in accordance with Appendix XII to 2 C.F.R. 200.

Section G: Federal Awarding Agency Contacts

Agency Contact Information:

Name:	Megan Brown, Chief, State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division
Address:	National Park Service, 1849 C Street, NW, MS 7360, Washington, DC 20240
Phone:	202-354-2020
E-mail:	STLPG@nps.gov

Questions and Requests pertaining to this Notice of Funding Opportunity shall be submitted to:

Name:	STLPG Staff
Address:	National Park Service, 1849 C Street, NW, MS 7360, Washington, DC 20240
Phone:	202-354-2020
E-mail:	STLPG@nps.gov

Section H: Other Information:

1. Program Information

The National Park Service's (NPS) FY2018 Save America's Treasures grants are for preservation and/or conservation work on nationally significant historic collections and properties. Grants are awarded through a competitive process and require a dollar-for-dollar, non-Federal match, which can be in the form of cash, donated services, or use or donated equipment. The grants are administered by the National Park Service in partnership with the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH), and the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

General program information is available at the State, Tribal, Local, Plans & Grants Division website at www.nps.gov/stlpg

2. Proprietary and Personally Identifiable Information

a. Notice of Potential Disclosure under Freedom of Information Act
Applicants should be advised that identifying information regarding all applicants, including applicant names and/or points of contact, may be subject to public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, whether or not such applicants are selected for negotiation of award. Applicants must identify any proprietary information within their applications.

b. Personally Identifiable Information
In responding to this NOFO, applicants must ensure that Protected Personally Identifiable Information (PII) is not included in the following documents: Project Abstract, Project Narrative, Biographical Sketches, Budget or Budget Justification. These documents will be used by the Merit Review Committee in the review process to evaluate each application. PII is defined by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) as:

> Any information about an individual maintained by an agency, including but not limited to, education, financial transactions, medical history, and criminal or employment history and information that can be used to distinguish or trace an individual's identity, such as their name, social security number, date and place of birth, mother's maiden name, biometric records, etc., including any other personal information that is linked or linkable to an individual. This definition of PII can be further defined as: (1) Public PII and (2) Protected PII.

Public PII:
PII found in public sources such as telephone books, public websites, business cards, university listing, etc. Public PII includes first and last name, address, work telephone number, email address, home telephone number, and general education credentials.

Protected PII:

PII that requires enhanced protection. This information includes data that if compromised could cause harm to an individual such as identity theft.

3. Routine Notices to Applicants

a. Modification or Changes to the Notice of Funding Opportunity

Notices of any modifications to this NOFO will be posted on Grants.gov. You can receive an email when a modification or an announcement message is posted. When you download the application at Grants.gov; you can also register to receive notifications of changes through Grants.gov.

b. Government Right to Reject or Negotiate

NPS reserves the right, without qualification, to reject any or all applications received in response to this announcement and to select any application, in whole or in part, as a basis for negotiation and/or award.

c. Evaluation and Administration by Non-Federal Personnel

In conducting the merit review evaluation, the Government may seek the advice of qualified non-Federal personnel as reviewers. The Government may also use non-Federal personnel to conduct routine, nondiscretionary administrative activities. The applicant, by submitting its application, consents to the use of non-Federal reviewers/administrators. Non-Federal reviewers must sign conflict of interest and non-disclosure agreements prior to reviewing an application. Non-Federal personnel conducting administrative activities must sign a nondisclosure agreement.

d. Notice of Right to Conduct a Review of Financial Capability

NPS reserves the right to conduct an independent third party review of financial capability for applicants that are selected for negotiation of award (including personal credit information of principal(s) of a small business if there is insufficient information to determine financial capability of the organization).

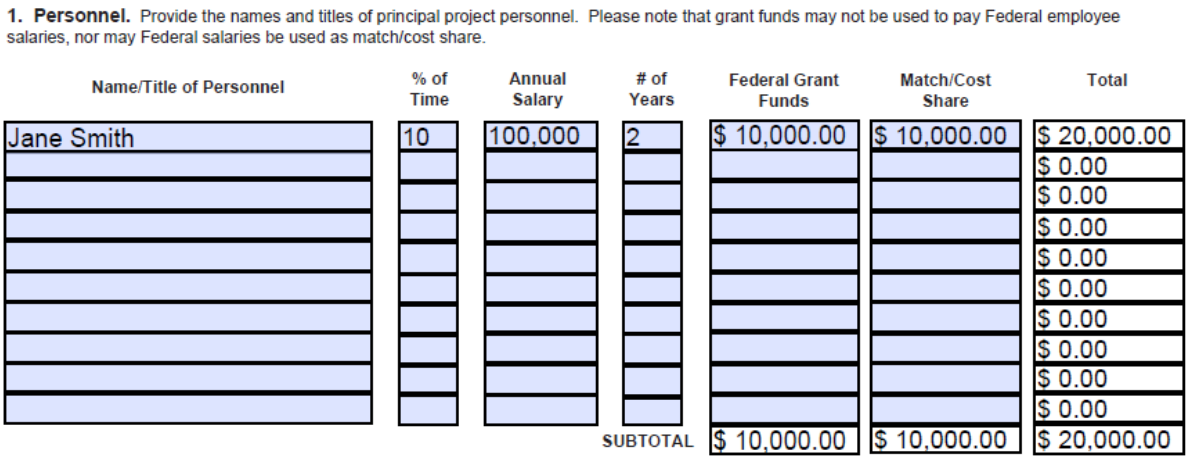
Appendix A –Forms Instructions

The budget justification worksheet is where the applicant breaks down their total project cost into Federal or matching share within nine budget categories. All costs must be eligible, reasonable, and directly relevant to the project, including costs covered by matching share. All costs must be justified in the project description. Please make sure to confirm matching requirements for the grant program you are applying for. If your project does not include costs for a particular category, please simply leave it blank or enter "N/A" into the first box.

Section One: Personnel

The first section on the budget justification worksheet lists the staff that you will have involved managing the project. Please include the title of each person, and their name if applicable, the percent of time they will spend on the grant project each year, the number of years they will work on the project, and their annual salary. Then break out their costs between Federal and matching share.

For example: Project Manager, Jane Smith will work on the project for 10% of her time for two years at an annual salary of $100,000. To get the amount to be split between Federal and matching funds, you would divide Jane's salary by the percent of time spent on the project, in this case $10,000 per year for a total of $20,000 for two years.



1. Personnel. Provide the names and titles of principal project personnel. Please note that grant funds may not be used to pay Federal employee salaries, nor may Federal salaries be used as match/cost share.

Name/Title of Personnel	% of Time	Annual Salary	# of Years	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share	Total
Jane Smith	10	100,000	2	$ 10,000.00	$ 10,000.00	$ 20,000.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
			SUBTOTAL	$ 10,000.00	$ 10,000.00	$ 20,000.00

Section Two: Fringe Benefits

For the second section, you are documenting any personnel that have fringe benefits charged to the project. Please note, charged salary is how much you are charging towards the grant. Continuing the example from above, Jane's charged salary would be $20,000 over the two years she will work on the project. With a fringe benefits rate of 25%, the total for Jane would be $4,000.

2. Fringe Benefits. If more than one rate is used, list each rate and salary base. Rates are based on the percent of time spent working on this project.

Name/Title of Personnel	% Rate	Charged Salary	# of Years	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share	Total
Jane Smith	25	20,000	2	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00	$ 4,000.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
						$ 0.00
			SUBTOTAL	$ 2,000.00	$ 2,000.00	$ 4,000.00

Section Three: Consultant Fees

The third section lists any consultants you expect to hire to assist with your project. Examples include historic preservation consultants, architects, engineers, conservators, etc. You need to either provide a flat rate for each consultant OR a daily rate and the number of days they will work on the project. You should not provide both. Remember that all consultants must be chosen through a competitive procurement process.

Section Four: Travel and Per Diem

The fourth section covers necessary travel, though many grants will not need travel. If your application includes travel, please make sure you have discussed this in detail in your project description including where you are going, why, and how this supports the project. The budget section asks you to input some simple information first: where you are traveling to/from, how many people will be going on each trip, the number of days of the trip. If you are travelling overnight, please include a daily sum for lodging plus per diem. These rates cannot exceed federal rates, which can be found at www.gsa.gov. Also, include the transportation costs per person, i.e. plane ticket cost, train, rental car cost, broken out per person, etc. Travel must be directly tied to the grant assisted project.

It should be easy for reviewers to see that there are 2 people going for 2 days with daily lodging at $100 and transport at $100. That would mean $200 total for transport ($100 x 2 people) and $400 for lodging and per diem ($100 x 2 days x 2 people) for a total of $600.

4. Travel and Per Diem. Indicate the number of persons traveling, the total days they will be in travel status, and the total subsistence and transportation costs. Lodging and per diem must be based on government rates which can be found at http://www.gsa.gov/.

From/To	No. of People	No. of Days	Daily Lodging & Per Diem	Transportation Costs Per Person	Federal Grant Funds	Match/Cost Share	Total
Atlanta to Birmingham	2	2	100	100	$ 600.00		
			SUBTOTAL		$ 600.00	$ 0.00	$ 600.00

Section Five: Supplies and Materials & Section Six: Equipment

For sections five and six, please pay close attention to the definitions provided for what is a supply/material and what is equipment. Construction materials should NOT go in these sections, they belong in section seven.

Section five is supplies, which are defined as any items costing less than $5,000 or with an estimated useful life of less than one year. If any supplies cost more than $5,000 they are automatically equipment.

Section six is equipment. All equipment requires written NPS approval prior to purchase. Equipment is anything costing over $5,000 with an estimated useful life of more than one year.

Section Seven: Construction/Conservation Materials and Labor

Section seven is for any costs related to physical construction or conservation. Costs can be broken into large categories such as "repair roof" and "underpin foundation". The costs should not be a lump sum "construction" line item. Contingency is not allowed as a separate line item.

Section Eight: Administrative Costs

Section eight is for costs related to the management of the grant. All grant programs funded through the Historic Preservation Fund have a maximum 25% of total project cost (Federal plus match) that can go towards both administrative and indirect costs combined.

Administrative costs can be defined as: Allowable, reasonable, and allocable costs related to the overall management of activities directly related to finance (accounting, auditing, budgeting, contracting), general administrative salaries and wages (grant administration, personnel, property management, equal opportunity) and other "overhead" functions (general legal services, general liability insurance, depreciation on buildings and equipment, etc.) not directly attributable to specific program areas identified in the grant agreement. All administrative costs reported must be absolutely necessary for project and/or program implementation, such as the cost items identified in the final grant agreement or items otherwise approved in writing by the NPS Awarding Officer (AO).

This section also provides a line for your indirect costs if you are charging indirect costs to the grant. Please make sure you are submitting an approved indirect cost rate agreement or a De Minimis cost rate worksheet if charging.

Section Nine: Other Costs

Section nine is for any other costs either not captured in the sections above or as overflow from above sections. If overflow, please ensure you mark which category the cost belongs with. Please pay attention to the directions in the worksheet. "Miscellaneous" and "Contingency fees" are NOT allowable budget items. All costs must be broken out into acceptable categories and costs.

Match

After all of the budget categories, the worksheet asks for sources of non-Federal match. Non-Federal match is not required for all grant programs, but please pay attention to make sure you are providing match when needed. For all programs where match is not required, it can be considered a competitive factor. Any match that is secured, or in hand, should go in the "secured

match" section. Any match you are still in the process of raising goes under "unsecured match." There is also a notes box for any comments you have regarding your matching share.

Organization Questions

For all non-Federal applicants, we ask that you input your most recently completed fiscal year along with your non-Federal budget for that year. After the worksheet's automated budget summary there are a few more questions. First is asking about your organization's financial management standards. Second is if your organization has a single audit, and if not, then is there any other audit or financial statement. Finally, we ask all applicants to list any/all Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) grants received in the last 5 years.

If you need assistance in completing the project description or budget justification worksheet, please contact NPS at: 202-354-2020 STLPG@nps.gov. If you are having problems with Grants.gov or with the SF-424 series, please contact them directly at 1-800-518-4726.