



Legislation Text

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TO: Members of the Northfield Heritage Preservation Commission

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Discussion of CLG grant opportunity

SUMMARY AND ACTION REQUESTED:

The HPC is requested to hold a discussion on accessing available SHPO grant dollars.

BACKGROUND:

The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) has sent the following notice to CLG communities:

Because not all Certified Local Government (CLG) funds were awarded in April, additional money is available for 1) new projects and 2) scholarships to attend the 37th Annual Statewide Preservation Conference in Albert Lea this September 13-15, 2017.

Projects

For new projects, these pass-through dollars may be used for grant projects starting September 1, 2017 and ending on July 31, 2018. All CLGs are eligible to apply, including those that submitted an application on March 3, 2017. Applicants would need to provide matching funds for these projects. Match funds may be cash, in-kind, and/or donated services or materials contributed to the project. Minnesota Historical and Cultural Heritage (Legacy) grants may be used to match a CLG grant. In the past, numerous cities have made good use of small Legacy grants in matching their CLG grants, so please consider this as a source of match.

As in previous years, projects that will receive special priority are those that: reflect the goals and strategies in the 2012-2017 statewide preservation plan; result in local designations or National Register nominations; and involve properties associated with the history of heretofore under-documented groups or communities (ethnic or racial minorities for example, but also other groups defining themselves as communities). The [CLG Grants Manual](http://www.mnhs.org/shpo/grants/docs_pdfs/fy2017_clg_grants_manual.pdf) <http://www.mnhs.org/shpo/grants/docs_pdfs/fy2017_clg_grants_manual.pdf> provides additional instructions regarding the full range of eligible activities and the selection criteria used in making awards. To apply for CLG projects use the Certified Local Government (CLG) Application in the [grant portal](https://mnhs.fluxx.io/) <<https://mnhs.fluxx.io/>>.

The calendar schedule for project applications is as follows:

May 26, 2017: Pre-application draft deadline

June 30, 2017: Final project application

August 10, 2017: Grants Review Committee considers applications

September 1, 2017: Project start date

July 31, 2018: Latest ending date on all project work

August 14, 2018: Final deadline to submit products and request for reimbursement

OPTIONS:

The HPC could apply for a grant to hire a professional to process the National Register nomination for an eligible local property.

All commissioners are encouraged to attend the state conference.