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Historic Preservation Fund FY 18 budget still not determined

The President’s, the House of Representatives, and the Senate Appropriations Committee’s budget proposals for Historic Preservation Fund programs for federal fiscal year 2018 (that started October 1, 2017) are summarized below. The full Senate has not passed its proposed budget. Congress passed a second continuing resolution that is funding federal programs at FY 2017 levels through February 8, 2018.

| Historic Preservation Fund: | FY 2017 Final | FY 2018 President | FY 2018 House | FY 2018 Senate Approp. Com. |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| States | \$ 47.925* | \$ 42.1 | \$47.9 | 47.925 |
| Tribes | 10.485 | 9.0 | 10.5 | 10.485 |
| Underserved communities initiative | | .500 | | .5 |
| Civil rights movement initiative | 13.000 | | 13.0 | 13.000 |
| Historic Black colleges/universities | 4.000 | | 4.0 | 3.000 |
| Save America’s Treasures grants | 5.000 | | 5.0 | |

Historic Revitalization grants 3.000

TOTALS \$ 80.910 \$ 51.1 \$ 80.9 77.910

* Figures are in millions.

The Senate Appropriations Committee added a program, Historic Revitalization Grants, and the bill notes “the Committee has provided \$3,000,000 in new funding for preservation grants to revitalize historic properties of national, State and local significance in order to restore, protect and foster economic development of rural villages and downtown areas. Grants shall be made available to States, local governments, Tribes, or community non-profit organizations for the purpose of making sub-grants to eligible projects. Priority shall be given to applicants with a demonstrated capacity for allocating similar awards for preservation of such sites. The Committee recommends that applicants cap their administrative costs at no more than 5 percent.”

Office of History and Archaeology and Alaska Historical Commission news

An Alaska Heritage Resources Survey (AHRs) training class is scheduled for February 21 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The class will be held in the training room in the Atwood Building, 550 West 7th Avenue, Anchorage on the 9th floor. The class will include presentations on the Section 106 review and compliance process, the AHRs, and have time for questions. The class is recommended for new users of the AHRs and those who do not work with cultural resources on a regular basis. There is no cost for the training, but space is limited. If interested in attending please contact Jeff Weinberger, AHRs Program Manager, at 907.269.8718 / jeffrey.weinberger@alaska.gov.

The annual Office of History and Archaeology workshop is scheduled for April 20, 2018. It will be held at the BP Energy Center in Anchorage. If you have suggestions of agenda items please contact Sarah Meitl, 907.269.8720 / sarah.meitl@alaska.gov.

National Park Service updates

The Shared Beringian Heritage Program is calling for proposals for grants to advance understanding and preservation of the region known as Beringia that includes much of western Alaska. Program goals are to improve conservation, sustainability, and knowledge of the region’s resources, preserve historic traditions and practices, interpret and communicate about the region’s resources and values, and promote cultural connections and knowledge exchange. The deadline to apply is February 12, 2018. More information about who can apply and about the program is available at <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=P18AS00026>. For questions contact Erica Cordeiro, 907.644.3315 / erica_cordeiro@nps.gov.

The National Park Service is also accepting applications for Save America’s Treasures grants. This program has \$5 million available for preservation and conservation work on nationally significant historic properties and collections. Grants must be matched dollar for dollar and are awarded on a competitive basis. The deadline to apply is February 21, 2018. More information is available at <https://go.nps.gov/sat> or calling 202.354.2020, or sending an email to preservation_grants_info@nps.gov.

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation updates

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation has opened registration for its Spring 2018 Section 106 webinars. Each will be offered twice. The schedule includes “Defining the Area of Potential Effects” on February 22 and 27; “Managing Confidential Information and Section 106” on March 22 and 27; “Archaeological Sites and Section 106: A Discussion of Identification and Evaluation” on April 19 and 24; and “Planning for Successful Section 106 Agreements” on May 24 and 29. Program descriptions and registration instructions are posted at www.achp.gov/sec106webinar.html. If you have questions about the programs email training@achp.gov.

With the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the Advisory Council is seeking nominations for the 2018 Secretary’s Award for Excellence in Historic Preservation. The award recognizes a project that advances the goals of historic preservation while promoting affordable housing, community revitalization, and/or enhanced economic opportunities for low and moderate-income families. Projects must have used HUD funding or financing, must meet the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation, and have been completed in the last three years. The deadline for nominations is March 1, 2018. More information and the submission instructions are available at <https://www.huduser.gov/portal/sites/default/files/pdf/HUD-Sec-Award-excellence-historic-preservation-2018.pdf>.

National Preservation Institute courses to be offered in Anchorage

The National Preservation Institute is offering two of its seminars in Alaska this spring: NAGPRA Essentials, March 19-20; and Archaeological Curation and Collections Management, April 16-18 (this is change from the original dates). Descriptions of the courses are available at www.npi.org. For more information contact Jere Gibber, 703.765.0100 / info@npi.org.

Historic Preservation Education Foundation *Partners in Training* call for proposals

The Historic Preservation Education Foundation is accepting proposals for its *Partners in Training* initiative. Educational institutions and nonprofit organizations can submit proposals that address specialized topics associated with the technical aspects of preservation. The proposal can request administrative as well as seed money for initial tasks. Administrative support can include participation in event planning, registration, and assistance in online or print publication of materials prepared for the initiative. The application deadline is April 2, 2018. More information is at www.hpef.us/partners-in-training/ or by sending an email to info@hpef.us.

AAHP seeks nominations for 2018 endangered historic properties list

The Alaska Association for Historical Preservation is seeking nominations for its 2018 Ten Most Endangered Alaska Historic Properties list. The nomination form is at www.aahp-online.net or by sending an email to akpreservation@gmail.com. Nominations are due March 31, 2018.

This Place Matters Alaska map

The Office of History and Archaeology has *#ThisPlaceMatters Alaska*, an interactive map with photos of historic properties around the state on its website at <http://arcg.is/1TvQiht>. To submit a place and photo, go to bit.ly/AKThisPlaceMatters

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PUBLIC PROJECT ALERTS:

Alaska Department of Transportation & Public Facilities and Federal Aviation Administration /
Toksook Bay Airport and Access Road Improvements: Revised draft Environmental
Assessment:
http://dot.alaska.gov/creg/PDE/projects/CFAPT00111_ToksookBayAirportImprovements/CFAPT00111_RevisedDraftEA_01252018.pdf
Comment deadline: March 1, 2008

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers / Donlin Gold Project: Draft Environmental Impact Statement
and ANILCA 810 Analysis comments available. The draft programmatic agreement is
expected to be posted soon for a short review and comment period.
Project information: www.donlingoldeis.com

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February 12 National Park Service, Shared Beringian Heritage Program grant application deadline,
<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/search-grants.html?keywords=P18AS00026> (Erica Cordeiro,
907.644.3315 / erica_cordeiro@nps.gov)

February 21 National Park Service, Save America's Treasures grant application deadline,
<https://go.nps.gov/sat> (202.354.2020 / preservation_grants_info@nps.gov)

February 21 Office of History and Archaeology, Alaska Heritage Resources Survey (AHRS) training,
Anchorage (Jeff Weinberger, 907.269.8718 / jeffrey.weinberger@alaska.gov)

March 1 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, 2018 Secretary's Award for Excellence in Historic Preservation nominations due (<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/sites/default/files/pdf/HUD-Sec-Award-excellence-historic-preservation-2018.pdf>)

March 12-14 National Conference of State Historic Preservation Officers (NCSHPO) annual conference, Washington, DC (Ted Monoson, 202.624.5476 / monoson@ncshpo.org)

March 19-20 National Preservation Institute, NAGPRA Essentials, Anchorage (info@npi.org / 703.765.0100)

March 21-24 Alaska Anthropological Association 45th annual meeting, Anchorage (alaskaanthro@gmail.com)

March 26-28 Main Street Now Conference, Kansas City, MO (<https://www.mainstreet.org/mainstreetamerica/howwecanhelp/educationandtraining/mainstreetnow>)

March 31 Alaska Association for Historic Preservation, 2018 Ten Most Endangered Historic Properties nomination deadline (www.aahp-online.net / akpreservation@gmail.com)

April 2 Historic Preservation Education Foundation, Partners in Training proposal deadline (www.hpef.us/partners-in-training/ or info@hpef.us)

April 10-12 National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, Friends of NCPTT, and NPS Route 66 Corridor Program: Are We There Yet?: Preservation of Roadside & Attractions Symposium, Tulsa, OK, <https://www.ncptt.nps.gov/events/are-we-there-yet/> (Debbie Smith, 38.356.7444 / Debbie_Smith@nps.gov)

April 16-18 National Preservation Institute, Archaeological Curation and Collections Management, Anchorage (info@npi.org / 703.765.0100)

April 18-21 National Council on Public History: Power Lines, Las Vegas, NV (<http://ncph.org/conference/2018-annual-meeting-2/>, 317.274.2716 / ncph@iupui.edu)

April 20 Alaska Office of History and Archaeology, Annual Workshop, Anchorage (Sarah Meitl, 907.269.8720 / sarah.meitl@alaska.gov)

April 26 Alaska Women's Hall of Fame: Class of 2018 Induction and 10th Anniversary Celebration, Anchorage (www.alaskawomenshalloffame.org)

May 2-5 Vernacular Architecture Forum, 2018 annual meeting: A Shared Heritage: Urban and Rural Experience on the Banks of the Potomac, Alexandria, VA (<http://www.vernaculararchitectureforum.org/event-2580611>, Tom Reinhart, vafpotomac@vafweb.org)

May 21-25 National Center for Preservation Technology and Training: Current Archeological Prospection Advances for Non-destruction Investigations of the Marksville Site (16AV1), LA (Steven L. DeVore, 402.437.5392 / steve_de_vore@nps.gov)

May 24-26 Construction History Society of America biennial meeting, with the School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, University of Maryland, College Park, MD, www.constructionhistorysociety.org/events/ (Construction History Society of America, melaniefeerst@gmail.com)

July 18-22 National Alliance of Preservation Commissions, Forum 2018, www.napcommissions.org, Des Moines, IA (director@napcommissions.org)

September 12-15 Alaska Historical Society / Museums Alaska, annual meetings and conference, Nome (Amy Phillips-Chan, 907.443.6630 / museum@nomealaska.org)

September 26-29 American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) annual meeting: Truth or Consequences, Kansas City, MO (AASLH, 615.320.3203 / info@AASLH.org)

November 12-15 Cultural Heritage and New Technologies, Visual Heritage 2018, Digitize: Research – Record – Reactivate – Reconstruct symposium (Boerner Wolfgang, +43 (0)1 4000 81176 / wolfgang.boerner@stadtarchaeologie.at)

