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State of Alaska Announces FY25 Certified Local Government Grant Awards

Anchorage, Alaska — The Office of History and Archaeology (OHA) has awarded the first round of Fiscal Year 2025 Certified Local Government (CLG) grants, funded through the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF). Ten percent of Alaska's annual HPF allocation is designated for CLG projects, which support local governments with approved historic preservation programs.

The FY25 first-round awards total \$135,875 including project grants, travel grants, and National Alliance of Preservation Commission grant supporting professionals doing the work as well as a statewide effort to identify, preserve, and protect historic resources. A second grant round is projected for September 2026.

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Project Grants – FY2025

City of Kodiak – Public Inventory Project (\$15,000) Funds will support a preservation professional to establish local inventory criteria and document up to 20 properties identified through community feedback.

Municipality of Anchorage – Old St. Nicholas Eklutna Chapel Roof Replacement (\$50,000) Funds will support replacement of the deteriorated roof to stabilize the historic chapel for the next phases of preservation.

City of Ketchikan – Pioneer Hall Partial Interior Abatement (\$50,000) Funds will support hazardous materials abatement in the historic U.S. Customs House/Pioneer Hall, enabling forthcoming roof and interior structural restoration.

Administrative Awards – FY2025

City of Seward – 2026 NAPC Travel Grant (\$3,200) Supports travel for the Museum Curator/CLG Coordinator to attend the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions Forum for professional preservation training.

Municipality of Anchorage – 2026 NAPC Travel Grant (\$3,825) Supports travel for the Historic Preservation Commission Vice Chair to strengthen skills in resource identification, preservation planning, Indigenous heritage interpretation, and outreach.

Municipality of Anchorage – 2026 NAPC Travel Grant (\$3,825) Supports travel for the Historic Preservation Commission Citizen Member At-Large to expand technical preservation and community engagement capacities.

City of Kodiak - 2026 NAPC Membership & CAMP Training (\$10,025) Supports coordination of Alaska’s statewide NAPC membership renewal for 2026–2027 and the planning, organization, and delivery of a community-hosted CAMP training,

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About the Office of History and Archaeology

The Office of History and Archaeology (OHA) serves as Alaska’s State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), providing statewide expertise in historic preservation under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 and the Alaska Historic Preservation Act of 1971. OHA works with local governments, the public, and partner organizations to identify, preserve, and interpret Alaska’s cultural, historic, and archaeological resources, ensuring that the state’s heritage is protected for future generations.

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