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Federal Legislation

The Biden Administration proposed a budget for Fiscal Year 2022 that funds the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) at \$151.8 million.

	FY 2021	FY 2022	FY2022	FY2022
		Administration	House	Senate
States	55.675	57.675	57.675	57.675
Tribes	15.0	23.0	23.0	24.0
Underrepresented communities	1.0	1.0	1.250	1.0
African Amer. Civil Rights grants	16.750	21.750	21.75	21.75
History of Equal Rights grants	3.375	3.375	4.625	3.875
Historic Black colleges	10.0	10.0	10.0	10.0
Save America's Treasures	25.0	25.0	30.0	26.0
Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization	7.5	10.0	7.5	10.0
Semi-quincentennial grants	10.0	-0-	-0-	10.0
Congressionally Directed HPF projects	-0-	-0-	-0-	15.772
TOTALS	\$ 144.3	\$ 151.8	\$155.8*	\$180.072

* Figures are in millions

Office of History and Archaeology and Alaska Historical Commission news

The **Alaska Historical Commission** will meet by WebEx on Tuesday, December 8, 2021, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. The agenda includes a review of applications for development and predevelopment historic preservation grant projects, consideration of National Register nominations and geographic name proposals, and updates on historic preservation programs. Any person or group wishing to address the commission on the grant requests, National Register nominations, geographic name proposals, or any other historic preservation issue is invited to participate in the public comment session starting at 10:00 am. To sign up for public comment or register to attend the meeting, please email a request to dnr.oha@alaska.gov. To sign up by phone or to request a printed copy of the agenda, please call 907-269-8700. You may also write to the Office of History and Archaeology, Alaska Department of Natural Resources, 550 West 7th Ave., Suite 1310, Anchorage, AK 99501-3565. The agenda is posted at <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/>.

Staff News

The Division of Parks and Outdoor Recreation's new grants administrator is Daniel Decker, who joined the staff on November 15. He will be working with the Historic Preservation Fund and the Land and Water Conservation Fund grant programs. We welcome him and look forward to working with him to set up our FFY 21 and FFY22 Historic Preservation grants.

COVID 19 Adjustments

OHA employees are on a hybrid schedule with a split between working in the office and working remotely. We recommend people contact staff by email. If you have a general inquiry, a project for review, or state cultural resources investigation permit application, please use one of the following email addresses:

General inquiry, geographic names, Alaska Historical Commission, etc.: dnr.oha@alaska.gov

Review/compliance, Section 106, project review: oha.revcomp@alaska.gov

State Cultural Resource Investigation Permits: oha.permits@alaska.gov

Section 106 COVID 19 guidance from the Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer is available at the following link: <http://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/shpo/shpocovid19.pdf>

The Alaska SHPO has invoked tolling effective March 19, 2020 regarding the timelines outlined in 36 CFR 800. With tolling, the 30-day regulatory clock that would allow agencies to proceed with their undertaking following non-response after 30 days does not apply. SHPO will be allowed to comment beyond the 30 days.

National Park Service

NPS recently announced several grant opportunities. Apply via [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov).

Underrepresented Community Grant Program Applications due Jan. 11, 2022 [Apply to URC via Grants.gov](#)

African American Civil Rights Grant Program – Applications due Dec 1, 2021 [Apply to AACR Preservation Grants via Grants.gov](#)
[Apply to AACR History Grants via Grants.gov](#)

History of Equal Rights (HER) Grant Program – Applications due Dec 1, 2021 [Apply to HER via Grants.gov](#)

Save America's Treasurers – Applications due Dec. 14, 2021 [Apply for SAT Preservation Grants via Grants.gov](#)

Updates about the overall NPS response to COVID-19, including safety information, are posted on www.nps.gov/coronavirus.

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

The Advisory Council on Historic Preservation is recruiting for a senior program analyst to work in the Office of Native American Affairs. The job opening will close on November 26, 2021. Details are available on the [ACHP Careers webpage](#).

National Trust for Historic Preservation:

The National Trust for Historic Preservation is now accepting applications for the **Telling the Full History Preservation Fund**.

The Telling the Full History grant program provides \$25,000 and \$50,000 grants for humanities-based work to interpret and preserve historic places of importance to underrepresented communities including, but not limited to, women, immigrants, Asian Americans, Black Americans, Latinx Americans, Native Americans, Native Hawaiians, Pacific Islanders, and LGBTQ communities. **Applications are due December 15.**

Direct link: <https://forum.savingplaces.org/tellingthefullhistoryfund>

[Vernacular Architecture Forum Conference 2022](#)

The Vernacular Architecture Forum invites paper and poster proposals for its 43rd Annual Conference, May 18 to May 21, 2022 in San Antonio, Texas. The paper and poster sessions will be on Saturday, May 21. Papers may address topics relating to vernacular and everyday buildings, sites, or cultural landscapes worldwide and how people use these sites. Also welcomed are papers that explore new methodologies for researching vernacular architecture, or new pedagogies for engaging students in the analysis of everyday buildings and cultural landscapes. Students and young professionals may apply for the [Pamela H. Simpson Presenter's Fellowships](#) offering support of up to \$500 for presenting papers at VAF's annual conference. The proposals and c.v. should be emailed as a PDF attachment to the [papers committee](#). All proposals received will be acknowledged. If you do not receive an acknowledgment of receipt of your paper within one week of its submission, please contact Papers Committee chair [Alec Stewart](#). Deadline for paper proposals is November 30, 2021.

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PUBLIC PROJECT ALERTS:

NEPA:

Section 106 large project consultation in progress:

- Mendenhall Glacier Visitors Center Rehabilitation
- Greens Creek Mine

Review and compliance agreement development for large projects in progress:

- Glenn Highway Corridor
 - Programmatic Agreement
- Sterling Highway MP 45-60
 - Data Recovery Plan
 - Programmatic Agreement Amendment
- U. S. Coast Guard Base Kodiak

- Programmatic Agreement and ICRMP
- Formerly Used Defense Sites Program
 - Programmatic Agreement
- Joint Base Elmendorf-Richardson
 - Programmatic Agreement

For information on how to participate in the process, or on how to review and comment on the above projects, contact Sarah Meitl, sarah.meitl@alaska.gov.

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PRESERVATION CALENDAR:

2021

November 29- Dec. 1, 2021 *International Conference of Indigenous Archives, Libraries, and Museums*, Washington, D.C., Association of Tribal Archives, Libraries, and Museums, <https://www.atalm.org/node/430>

2022

January 24-28 *National Tribal Preservation Conference*, National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers, location TBD. For more information, go to nathpo.org.

February 28 – March 4 *Alaska Anthropological Association 49th Annual Meeting* via Zoom (#AKAA virtual 2022). Theme “The Effects of Climate Change”. For more information, go to alaskaanthropology.org/annual-meeting/

National Preservation Institute provides continuing education and professional training in historic preservation and cultural resource management throughout the year. For training options, go to: www.npi.org For information contact Jere Gibber, Executive Director, info@npi.org