HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND

"THE PRESERVATION OF THIS IRREPLACEABLE HERITAGE IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST SO THAT ITS VITAL LEGACY OF CULTURAL, EDUCATIONAL, AESTHETIC, INSPIRATIONAL, ECONOMIC, AND ENERGY BENEFITS WILL BE MAINTAINED AND ENRICHED FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS OF AMERICANS."

-1966 NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT

FISCAL YEAR 2021 REQUEST: $150 MILLION

$61 million
for State Historic Preservation Officers (SHPOs) for heritage preservation and protection programs that create jobs, economic development, and community revitalization. (FY 2020 funding - $52.675 million)

In partnership with the federal government, SHPOs carry out the primary functions of the National Historic Preservation Act including –finding and documenting America’s historic places, making nominations to the National Register, providing assistance on rehabilitation tax credit projects, reviewing impacts of federal projects, working with local governments, and conducting preservation education and planning.

$22 million
for Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs) (FY 2020 funding - $13.735 million)

THPOs are designated by federally recognized tribal governments that have entered into an agreement with the Department of the Interior to assume the federal compliance role of the SHPO on their respective Tribal lands. Tribal historic preservation plans are based on traditional knowledge and cultural values, and may involve projects to improve Indian schools, roads, health clinics and housing.

$28 million
for Civil Rights Initiative Competitive Grants (FY 2020 funding - $18 million)

A competitive grant program to preserve the sites and stories of Civil Rights in America. $20 million of these funds would have to be used to preserve the sites and stories of the African American Civil Rights movement.

$10 million
for Historically Black Colleges and Universities (FY 2020 funding - $10 million)

Funding would provide grants to Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) to preserve and repair historic buildings on the campuses of HBCUs.

$18 million
for Save America’s Treasures Program (FY 2020 Funding - $16 million)

Treasures grants program help preserve nationally significant historic properties and collections that convey our nation’s rich heritage to future generations of Americans.

$10 million
for Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants (FY 2020 Funding - $7.5 million)

supports the rehabilitation of historic properties and fosters economic development of rural communities through subgrants.

TOTAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND REQUEST: FY 2021
$150 MILLION (FY 2020 $118.66 MILLION)