

REAUTHORIZE THE HPF



The National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 established the nation's commitment to preserving historic resources. To support that commitment, the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) was created in 1976 to assist states in meeting federally mandated responsibilities; the program has since expanded to support Tribes and preservation grant programs.

WHY REAUTHORIZE?

- HPF provides critical funding to (59) State and (235) Tribal Historic Preservation Offices, 2,102 Certified Local Governments, and preservation grant programs
- Congress appropriates funding annually to the HPF, but the authorization for the annual deposit of \$150 million will lapse in Sept 2026; a long-term renewal is vital to ensuring funds are available in perpetuity for Congress to appropriate as the federal government has intended since 1976
- Renews commitment to preserving America's history as we commemorate America's 250th anniversary and the 50th anniversary of the HPF

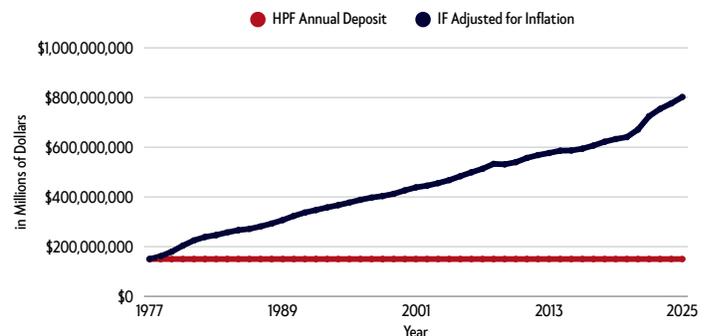
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COSPONSOR H.R. 3418 AND SUPPORT LONG- TERM REAUTHORIZATION OF THE HPF

PATHS FOR REAUTHORIZATION

- **Champion the long-term reauthorization of the HPF at \$250 million, for the longest interval possible.** The bipartisan **Historic Preservation Fund Reauthorization Act (H.R. 3418)** would reauthorize the HPF for 10 years and increase the authorized level to \$250 million annually
- **Support introduction of a companion Senate bill** that will reauthorize the HPF at \$250 million
- Include HPF reauthorization in future legislative vehicles

Funding for the HPF Has Not Been Adjusted for Inflation



GRAPH | INFLATION

**THE HPF DOES NOT USE
TAX-PAYER DOLLARS.**

ONLY 2.5%

of revenue from federal offshore oil leases goes towards identifying, preserving, and protecting historic resources.



In 1976, Congress authorized the HPF at \$150M. Adjusted for inflation, that equals over \$800M

**1/5 original purchasing power
\$1 in 1976 = \$5.69 in 2026**