Michigan State Historic Preservation Office
Certified Local Government Program
2021 Grant Funding Priorities

The Michigan State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) has established the following funding priorities for the 2021 Certified Local Government (CLG) grant cycle. Projects that address one or more of the funding priorities and/or one or more of the Historic Preservation Goals identified by SHPO in Michigan’s Historic Preservation Plan will receive greater scores during the selection process. See the CLG grant manuals at www.michigan.gov/CLGgrants for additional information.

Funding priorities are presented in no certain order.

- Preparation of preservation plans to guide local government preservation activities.
- Identification, documentation, evaluation, and National Register nomination of:
  - Resources associated with underrepresented, minority, or disadvantaged populations;
  - Underrepresented or threatened property types (including archaeological sites); and
  - Resources in CLGs underrepresented in the CLG grant program
- Preparation of design guidelines for local historic districts and updates to existing guidelines
- National Register nominations (and updating of existing nominations) for historic commercial districts
- Development of regional or local “how to” or trades workshops that promote traditional craftsmanship to preserve and repair historic resources
- Training activities for historic district commissioners
- Projects that address emerging topics in preservation (e.g., alternative materials, energy efficiency, cultural tourism, disaster planning, emergency management, etc.)
- Projects that promote economic investment in historic properties (e.g., façade studies for downtown historic districts)
- Model educational materials (e.g., print and electronic media) for audiences such as property owners, realtors, and contractors
- Projects that promote public awareness of preservation and enhance partnerships with other community stakeholders (e.g., Main Street organizations, Downtown Development Authorities (DDAs), etc.)
- Rehabilitation planning (e.g., feasibility studies, plans and specifications, Historic Structure Reports (HSRs), Cultural Landscape Reports (CLRs), etc.) and rehabilitation projects that promote economic investment in underutilized and/or threatened National Register properties
- Implementation of digital initiatives (e.g., archaeological studies, survey methodologies, phone or web applications, etc.) that can serve as models for other CLGs