

LOCAL HISTORIC DISTRICTS

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Michigan adopted the Local Historic Districts Act (Public Act 169) in 1970. Since that time over 65 communities have adopted historic district ordinances. There are currently over 700 local historic districts in Michigan protecting over 20,000 resources.

Local historic district designation provides the following benefits to Michigan communities.

- Legal Protection for Historic Resources
- Increased Property and Resale Values
- Eligibility for State Preservation Tax Incentives
- Increased Tourism Revenue by Retaining Sense of Place
- Rehabilitation Work = Local Job Creation
- Economic Development & Community Revitalization
- Diversity in Housing Options and Neighborhood Populations
- Historic Neighborhoods that Provide a Better Quality of Life

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