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Dear Certified Local Government Contact:

The State Historic Preservation Office is pleased to announce the availability of fiscal year 2012 Historic Preservation Certified Local Government (CLG) grant applications. Funds are available for education, identification, planning, registration, and rehabilitation activities. **Grant applications must be postmarked no later than December 15, 2011.** Copies of the grant manual and application materials can be found on our web page at www.michigan.gov/shpo. We encourage you to discuss your proposed project with SHPO staff. We will also review draft applications and provide comments. Draft applications must be received by November 15, 2011.

Please note that two distinct manuals are available online. One manual contains the requirements for education, identification, registration, and planning activities, while the other contains the requirements for rehabilitation and rehabilitation planning activities. Please be sure to use the correct manual when preparing your grant application.

The FY 2012 program priorities remain the same as last year's priorities. FY 2012 projects undertaken in association with one or more of the following priority programs identified by the SHPO will receive more points: Projects undertaken in association with resource identification and designation in support of economic development and community planning activities; the revitalization of traditional downtowns; cultural heritage tourism; and Mid-Century Modern resources (1940-1970). The priority program areas are listed on page 4 of both manuals. The *Project Scoring Criteria* are located in the appendix sections of both manuals and reflect FY 2012 program priority areas.

Note that a new form called *Certificate Verifying Key Persons of the Contractor/Subgrantee* is required with each grant application. The form can be found in the appendix of each manual.

We have enhanced the photograph requirements for grant applications. Please be sure to check both the *Grant Application* and the *Grant Completion* sections in the grant manuals for specific requirements. An appendix entitled *Photograph Technical Requirements* has been added to each manual to aid applicants in meeting these enhanced requirements.

We look forward to receiving a Certified Local Government grant application from your community.

Sincerely,

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