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Dear Certified Local Government Contact:

The State Historic Preservation Office is pleased to announce the availability of fiscal year 2015 Historic Preservation Certified Local Government (CLG) grant applications. Funds are available for education, identification, community based planning, registration, and rehabilitation activities. **The grant application deadline is Friday, December 19, 2014. Applications must be postmarked no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 19, 2014.** Copies of the grant manual and application materials can be found on the SHPO website at [www.michigan.gov/shpo](http://www.michigan.gov/shpo). If you haven't already done so, we encourage you to discuss your proposed project with SHPO staff.

Please note that two distinct manuals are available online. One manual contains the requirements for education, identification, registration, and community based 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 2015 program priorities remain the same as last year's priorities. FY 2015 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 SHPO *Project Scoring Criteria* are located in the appendix sections of both manuals and reflect FY 2015 program priority areas.

Note that several new forms are required with each grant application. The forms can be found in the appendix of each manual. The new forms are: W-9 Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification; Certificate Verifying Key Persons of the Contractor/Subgrantee; Officer Compensation under the Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act.

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.

For applicants sponsoring a CLG grant application with a non-profit organization or other public entity, note that there is added information in Chapter 1 of both manuals describing the conditions and required application documentation and materials that need to be submitted with your grant application. Please contact the SHPO if you plan on sponsoring a CLG grant application with a non-profit organization or other public entity. For applicants applying for a National Register District Nomination for a commercial downtown, note that there is a new Appendix in the applicable manual called *So You Want To List Your Commercial District in the National Register of Historic Places? How to Do It – What Is Required*.

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

Sincerely,

  
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