INTRODUCTION

The Connecticut State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) is accepting applications for nonmatching funds from municipalities that have received Certified Local Government (CLG) designation by the National Park Service. Funding is contingent upon CT SHPO's annual apportionment from the National Park Service Historic Preservation Fund. Grant awards range from \$1,500 to \$20,000. The SHPO anticipates awarding approximately \$100,000 this fiscal year.

Below is the current list of Connecticut's CLGs

| Berlin | Guilford | Dlymouth |
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| | | Plymouth |
| Bridgeport | Hamden | Ridgefield |
| Brookfield | Hartford | Roxbury |
| Canton | Harwinton | Salisbury |
| Chaplin | Hebron | Simsbury |
| Cheshire | Killingly | Southbury |
| Clinton | Ledyard | South Windsor |
| Colchester | Lyme | Stamford |
| Colebrook | Milford | Suffield |
| Danbury | New Fairfield | Tolland |
| East Hartford | New Haven | Vernon |
| East Lyme | New London | Waterford |
| Enfield | New Milford | Westport |
| Fairfield | Norwich | Windham |
| Glastonbury | Old Lyme | Windsor |
| Greenwich | Old Saybrook | Woodbury |
| Groton | Orange | Woodstock |
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Communities with certification applications pending may submit a grant application. Funding will be made available upon National Park Service certification.

Eligible Activities and Funding Priorities

CLG funding is available for a variety of projects that address the goals of identifying, evaluating, nominating, and protecting a community's cultural resources including:

- Survey and Inventory
- Preservation Planning
- Feasibility studies
- Conditions assessments
- Historic structures reports
- o Architectural plans and specifications
- National Register Nominations:
 - New Nominations
 - Projects that update National Register-listed historic district nominations with expanded periods of significance and/or boundary amendments
- Educational and Public Outreach Activities related to Historic Preservation and Architectural History

Eligible resources for planning and pre-development are those listed in the National Register of Historic Places either individually or as a contributing resource in a District.

In addition to projects that support the State-wide historic preservation plan goals, *priority* will be given to applications that address the following areas:

Strengthening the capacity, knowledge and professional qualifications of the municipal bodies, especially historical commission:

- Historic Preservation Training for CLG program staff, city officials and/or commission members. including attendance at the biennial NAPC Forum or NAPC CAMP
- Developing/updating design guidelines for historic districts
- Correction of deficiencies in CLG performance
- Incorporating historic preservation into town-wide planning:
 - Developing town-wide preservation plans.
 - Charrettes that address specific planning issues.
 - Incorporating Historic Preservation language into zoning and planning regulations and ordinances
- Projects that support planning for the protection of archaeological resources and incorporate archaeological resources into the town's planning regulations

APPLICATION EVALUATION

Applications will be evaluated for eligibility based on:

- Clarity of application narrative
- Project impact
- Follow-through on previous historic preservation work
- CLG's ability to meet general program requirements such as compliance with applicable federal regulations
- A scope of work which can be accomplished within the allotted timeframe

APPLICATION DEADLINE

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis for as long as funding is available. Application and guidelines can be found on our website <u>https://portal.ct.gov/DECD/Content/Historic-</u> <u>Preservation/02_Review_Funding_Opportunities/Grant-Opportunities/Historic-Preservation-</u> Enhancements-Grant---HPEG

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CLGs may name a partner in the application to act as project administrator