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Federal Historic Preservation Fund FY 2020 budget

The House Appropriations Committee’s Interior, Environment & Related Agencies Subcommittee voted to fund Historic Preservation Fund programs for 2020 at \$121.6 million. This is \$20 million more than the 2019 appropriation for the programs. The HPF funds state programs, specifically the Alaska Office of History and Archaeology. The President’s FY 2020 budget proposal only funded the state and tribal preservation offices and reduced the appropriations for them by almost half of last year’s appropriation.

Historic Preservation Fund	FY 2019	FY 2020	FY 2020
		Admin	House Subcommittee
States	\$ 49.67*	\$ 26.93	\$ 53.67
Tribes	11.74	5.74	13.74
Underrepresented communities initiative	.75		.75
African American Civil Rights			17.50
Civil rights movement initiative	14.50		5.00
Historic Black colleges/universities	8.00		10.00
Save America’s Treasures grants	13.00		16.00
Historic Revitalization grants	5.00		5.00
TOTALS	\$ 102.66	\$ 32.67	\$121.66

* Figures are in millions.

Greater Friendship Baptist Church added to National Register

The Keeper of the National Register of Historic Places added Greater Friendship Baptist Church in Anchorage to the list on June 21, 2019. The church is significant for its association with the establishment of a permanent African-American community in Anchorage and for breaking down barriers to African-Americans in the state and national Southern Baptist Conventions. Greater Friendship Church was the first African-American church established in Alaska, and the first African-American church accepted into the modern Southern Baptist Convention. Greater Friendship's pastor, Leo Al Josey, Sr., was elected vice-president of the Alaska Baptist Convention in 1965, the first African-American elected to the state organization's governing board. The congregation started meeting in the current church building in 1955 which replaced their initial building on the site that burned.

National Park Service news

In response to public comments, the National Park Service announced it will consult with Tribes regarding the proposed rule changes to the National Register of Historic Places and accept comments from Tribes through July 8th. More information is at <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2019/05/24/2019-10853/tribal-consultation-national-register-of-historic-places>. The NPS received more than 3,300 comments to the proposed rule changes, and only five of them in support of them. The FY20 House Interior Appropriations bill urges the NPS to withdraw the proposed rule changes.

The NPS Tribal Heritage Grants application deadline this year is July 1, 2019. Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian groups and federally recognized Indian tribes are eligible to apply for grants. The program funds projects to locate and identify cultural resources, preserve historic properties listed in the National Register of Historic Places, prepare preservation plans, document cultural traditions, support education and training in historic preservation, and do interpretive and education historic preservation projects. For more information contact stipg@nps.gov or 202.354.2020.

The Heritage Documentation Programs--Historic American Buildings Survey, Historic American Engineering Record and Historic American Landscapes Survey—has two more deadlines for its annual competitions. The Charles E. Peterson Prize Measured Drawings Student Competition deadline is July 1, and the Historic American Landscapes Survey streetscapes challenge deadline is July 31. More information about the competitions is at www.nps.gov/hdp/competitions.

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation news

Aimee Jorjani has been confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the first full-time chair of the Advisory Council. Jorjani has a master's degree in historic preservation from Goucher College and worked as an aide to Representative Paul Ryan (Wisconsin) and in the Department of the Interior as the Deputy Secretary's Special Assistant for Historic Preservation and the department's Historic Preservation Officer. The Advisory Council chair position was converted from part-time to full-time in 2016. Terms are for four-years. Jorjani began her term in January 2017. Her

goals as chair include working to ensure cultural resources are considered at the earliest stages of project planning, exploring ways to digitize historic property information to create efficiencies for project planning, and promoting better communication among government at all levels, non-profit organizations and the private sector.

The Advisory Council will be holding two classes in Anchorage this fall: Section 106 Practitioner Workshop on October 8 and 9, and Section 106 Agreements Seminar on October 10. The council also has e-learning courses available: What is Section 106; Successfully Navigating Section 106 Review: An Orientation for Applicants; Basics of NEPA and Section 106 Integration; and Coordinating NEPA and Section 106. More information about the classes is available at www.achp.gov/training.

National Trust for Historic Preservation selects 9th President and CEO

Paul Edmondson has been selected to be the new president of the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Edmondson has been the Trust's chief legal officer for many years. He is committed to the National Trust's program of technical assistance and legal, legislative, and public advocacy for historic preservation as well as preservation of the 28 National Trust historic sites. More information about the National Trust and its programs is at www.SavingPlaces.org

Sharing Our Knowledge Conference of Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian Tribes and Clans

The biennial Clan Conference of Southeast Alaska Native people will be September 25-29, 2019, in Juneau. The conference theme is indigenous perspectives on climate change, Shukalxúxs' (calling the end back to the beginning) Goo Wila Amaniisga Na Lip Ha'lidzogm (Sm'algyax: how we take care of our world). Proposals for presentations are being accepted through July 31, 2019. More information is available at www.sharingourknowledge.org or by contacting David Russell-Jensen, davidrusselljensen@gmail.com or Alice Taff, alicetaff@gmail.com.

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PUBLIC PROJECT ALERTS:

Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, AK LNG (Alaska Liquid Natural Gas pipeline) draft Environmental Impact Statement, www.ferc.gov

Comment deadline: October 3, 2019

Comments to: Project docket number CP17-178-000, Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First St. NE, Room 1A, Washington, DC 20426; or www.ferc.gov, Documents and Filings, eComment or eFiling

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Pebble Project Draft Environmental Impact Statement, <https://pebbleprojecteis.com/>

Comment deadline: July 1, 2019

Comments to: Program Manager, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 645 G St., Suite 100-921, Anchorage, AK 99501, drafteis@comments.pebbleprojecteis.com

Contact: Shane McCoy, 907.753.2712 / public.affairs3@usace.army.mil

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PRESERVATION CALENDAR:

July 1 National Park Service, Tribal Heritage Grants Fiscal Year 2019 application deadline (202.354.2020 / stipg@nps.gov)

July 1 National Park Service, Heritage Documentation Programs, Charles E. Peterson Prize 2019 Measured Drawings Student Competition submission deadline (Mark Schara, 202.354.2166 / mark.schara@nps.gov)

July 31 National Park Service, 2019 Historic American Landscapes Survey Challenge: Historic Streetscapes, submission deadline (Chris Stevens, 202.354.2146 / Chris_Stevens@nps.gov)

August 17 Friends of Nike Site Summit, tours, www.planetreg.com/NSS-2019, Anchorage (Doris Thomas, fonss2007@gmail.com)

August 19-23 National Center for Preservation Technology and Training, 3D Photogrammetry Workshop, Moose, WY (Sarah Marie Jackson, 318.356.7444 / sarah_m_jackson@nps.gov)

August 20 Kenai Mountains-Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area grand application deadline (Jessica Szelag, jessicazelag@kmtacorridor.org)

August 28-31 American Association for State and Local History with the International Coalition of Sites of Conscience, annual conference: What Are We Waiting For?, Philadelphia, PA (615.320.3203 / www.aaslh.org/conference/)

September 25-28 Alaska Historical Society and Museums Alaska, annual meetings and conference, Kodiak (www.ahsmaconference.org)

September 25-29 Sharing Our Knowledge Conference of Tlingit, Haida, and Tsimshian Tribes and Clans: Indigenous Perspectives on Climate Change, Shukalxúxs' Goo Wila Amaniisga Na Lip Ha'lidzogm, Juneau, AK (David Russell-Jensen, davidrusselljensen@gmail.com or Alice Taff, alicetaff@gmail.com)

October 8-9 Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Section 106 Practitioner Workshop, Anchorage (www.achp.gov/training)

October 10 Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, Section 106 Agreements Seminar, Anchorage (www.achp.gov/training)

October 10-12 National Trust for Historic Preservation, PastForward 2019, Denver, CO (www.PastForwardConference.org)

October 24-27 American Cultural Resources Association annual conference: ACRA at 25— Exploring Our Past to Build Our Future, Spokane, WA, <https://www.acra-crm.org/annual-conference-2019> (Amanda Stratton, 202.367.9094 / amanda@acra-crm.org)

October 25-27 Yukon Historical and Museums Association and Jilkaat Kwaan Heritage Center: Kohklux Map: 150 Years Conference, Whitehorse, YT (Lianne Maitland, 867.667.4704 / info@heritageyukon.ca)

October 27-30 Argonne National Laboratory, Visual Resource Stewardship Conference: Seeking 20/20 Vision for Landscape Futures, Lemont, IL, <http://vrconference.evs.anl.gov/> (Robin Hoffman, 315.470.6546 or Rick Smardon, 315.470.6539 / vrconference@anl.gov)

November 4-6 24th Conference on Cultural Heritage and New Technologies: Monumental Computations, Digital Archaeology of Large Urban and Underground Infrastructures, <https://www.chnt.at/call-for-sessions-round-tables/>, Vienna, Austria (Börner Wolfgang, +43(0)1 4000 81176 / wolfgangboerner@stadtarchaeologie.at)

November 19-23 Association for Preservation Technology annual conference, <https://www.eventscribe.com/2019/APT/>, Miami, FL (www.apti.org)

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January 8-11 Society for Historical Archaeology Conference on Historical and Underwater Archaeology: Revolution, Boston, MA (<https://sha.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/03/SHA-2020-Call-for-Papers.pdf>)

February 26-29 Alaska Anthropological Association annual meeting, Fairbanks (<https://www.alaskaanthropology.org/annual-meeting/>)