

**TASK FORCE ON CIVIL RIGHTS HISTORY**  
**FINANCE SUBCOMMITTEE**  
**Agenda**

**Wednesday, April 25, 2018 at 9:00 A.M.**

**Lynwood Roberts Room, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, City Hall**

**Committee Members:**

**Chris Hand, Co-Chair**

**Marcus Pollard, Co-Chair**

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The National Park Service's (NPS) African American Civil Rights Grant Program (AACR) supports projects to document, interpret, and preserve the sites related to the African American struggle to gain equal rights as citizens in the 20th Century. The NPS 2008 report, [Civil Rights in America, A Framework for Identifying Significant Sites](#) serves as the reference document in determining the appropriateness of proposed projects and properties. AACR Grants are funded by the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF), administered by the NPS, and fund a broad range of planning, preservation, and research projects for historic sites including: survey, inventory, documentation, interpretation, education, architectural services, historic structure reports, preservation plans, and bricks and mortar repair. Grants are awarded through a competitive process and do not require non-Federal match.

We are not currently accepting applications for grants under this program. For the 2017 funding round, applications were accepted through two separate funding opportunity announcements, one for physical preservation projects and one for history projects.

### How to Apply & What is Funded

Applications were accepted **only through grants.gov** from August 1 to October 8, 2017.

### African American Civil Rights (AACR) Preservation Grants

#### Preservation: Pre-preservation and Preservation Projects

- Preservation projects must range from \$75,000 to \$500,000 in federal share, of which 10% may go toward pre-preservation costs such as architectural or engineering services. Grant applications that solely involve pre-preservation work must range from \$15,000 to \$50,000.
- Preservation projects fund physical preservation of a historic site to include historic districts, buildings, sites, structures, and objects. Projects must comply with Section

106, NEPA, and execute a preservation covenant/easement.

- Eligible costs include pre-preservation studies, architectural plans and specifications, historic structure reports, and the repair and rehabilitation of historic properties according to the [\*Secretary of the Interior's Treatment Standards for Historic Properties\*](#).
- All applications must include a National Register Eligibility Assessment worksheet. Properties must be listed in the National Register of Historic Places or designated a National Historic Landmark either individually or as part of a district whose significance is associated with African American Civil Rights in the 20th century. If the property is not listed for its association with African American Civil Rights in the 20th century, or not listed at all, the Eligibility Assessment form should provide information that demonstrates its association. Projects that are not listed on the National Register or are not listed in association with African American Civil Rights in the 20th Century must include a nomination or amendment to an existing nomination as part of their project.

### **African American Civil Rights (AACR) History Grants**

#### **History: History Projects**

- History grant projects must range from \$15,000 to \$50,000 in federal share.
- Eligible costs include survey, planning, and documentation of historic sites/events, as well as the creation of interpretive and educational materials around significant sites (including oral histories).
- Projects must be associated with the African American civil rights movement of the 20th century.
- Successful applications will emphasize innovative strategies, and creative projects with measurable results, and include cross-generational engagement that promote and preserve the community's civil rights resources. Projects should involve public-private partnerships and serve as models to communities nationwide. Your project must fit one of the categories listed below. If a project overlaps more than one category, select the dominant category.
  1. Survey and Planning
  2. Research and Documentation
  3. Interpretation and Education

#### **Before You Can Apply**

1. Ensure that Adobe Acrobat Reader is installed and updated on your computer so that you can register on all required federal sites.
2. Ensure that your [SAM.gov](#) (System for Award Management) registration is complete and/or up-to-date.
3. Ensure that your registration with [grants.gov](#) is complete and current.
4. Registration on these sites can take 2-3 weeks, so please allow time.

### Who May Apply

We are not currently accepting applications under this program, but the organizations listed below were eligible under the most recent round of funding.

- States and Territories
- Federally Recognized Indian Tribes, Alaska Natives, and Native Hawaiian Organizations
- Local Governments
- Non-profit Organizations

Organizations not in one of these categories need to apply in partnership with an eligible recipient listed above.

### What is Not Funded

- Construction of new buildings.
- Acquisition of collections or historic sites.
- Conservation of collections, except as part of gathering oral history documentation.
- Long-term maintenance or curatorial work beyond the grant period.
- Reconstructing historic properties (recreating all or a significant portion that no longer exists).
- Moving historic properties or work to moved historic properties that are no longer eligible for listing in the NRHP.
- Cash reserves, endowments, or revolving funds.
- Fund-raising costs.
- Work performed prior to announcement of award.
- Lobbying or advocacy activities.
- Costs for work already completed or funded through other federal programs.

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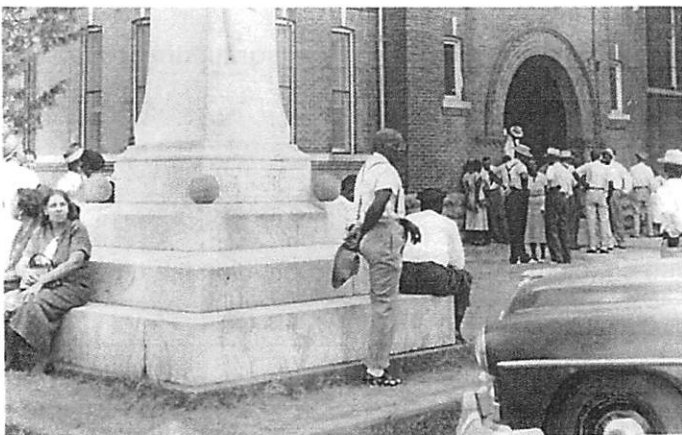
# Civil Rights Grants

## National Park Service Announces Over \$7.5 Million in Grants to Preserve African American Civil Rights Movement Sites

The National Park Service today announced funding for 39 projects in over 20 states that will preserve and highlight the sites and stories associated with the Civil Rights Movement and the African American experience.

**Through the African American Civil Rights Grant Program, we're helping our public and private partners tell unique and powerful stories of the African American struggle for equality in the 20th Century.**

— National Park Service Acting Director Michael T. Renyolds



Congress appropriated funding for the projects new NPS (National Park Service)African American Civil Rights Grant Program in FY 2016 through the Historic Preservation Fund

*Men and women wait outside for news from the trial of two men accused of murdering Emmett Till (Tallahatchie County, MS). The courthouse will receive \$500,000 worth of restoration through the African American Civil Rights Grants program.*

*Courtesy of the Mississippi Department of Archives and History.*

(<https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1623/index.htm>). The HPF (Historic Preservation Fund) uses revenue from federal oil leases on the Outer Continental Shelf to provide assistance for a broad range of preservation projects without expending tax dollars.

States, Tribes, local governments, and non-profit organizations, including Historically Black Colleges and Universities, applied for a broad range of planning, preservation, and research projects for historic sites associated with the Civil Rights Movement and the African-American experience. The competitive grant program is funding 39 projects worth \$7,750,000, including surveys, documentation, interpretation, education, oral histories, planning, and bricks and mortar preservation.

Projects receiving grants include those that will educate about and preserve resources like Rosenwald Schools across the nation, Civil Rights struggles at Sixteenth Street Baptist Church in Alabama and Central High School in Arkansas, women that fought for civil rights like Modeska Simpkins in South Carolina, and figures like Oscar DePriest, Emmett Till, Ralph Abernathy III, and Martin Luther King, Jr. Statewide surveys to find the stories and the sites that are not well known will be funded in Michigan, Rhode Island, Ohio, Maryland, Idaho, District of Columbia, California, and New York.

A 2008 National Park Service study, **Civil Rights in America, A Framework for Identifying Significant Sites** ([https://www.nps.gov/nhl/learn/themes/CivilRights\\_Framework.pdf](https://www.nps.gov/nhl/learn/themes/CivilRights_Framework.pdf)), served as the principal reference for determining the eligibility of proposed projects for the grant program.

For the **full press release** (<https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1207/01-12-2017-civil-rights-grants.htm>), please visit the News section of the **NPS (National Park Service)** homepage.

## Funded Projects in 2016

For additional details on grant-assisted work at funded projects and general information on the type of project supported through this grant program, please visit the civil rights grant homepage.

Preservation Projects:	Grantee	State	Award
Preservation, Repair and Restoration of the Historic Sixteenth Street Baptist Church	Sixteenth Street Baptist Church	AL: Alabama	\$500,000.00

Preserving Brown Chapel AME from electrical, roofing and structural needs	Historic Brown Chapel AME Preservation Society Inc	AL: Alabama	\$500,000.00
Anniston Freedom Riders Monument	City of Anniston	AL: Alabama	\$496,375.00
Preserving Central High - A Civil Rights Monument	City of Little Rock	AR: Arkansas	\$499,372.56
Restoration of the historic West Hunter Street Baptist Church	Ralph David Abernathy III Foundation Inc.	GA: Georgia	\$451,571.15
Preservation of the Oscar Stanton De Priest House National Historic Landmark (NHL)	Landmarks Preservation Council of Illinois	IL: Illinois	\$250,000.00
St. Mark's A.M.E Church Rehabilitation	Saint Marks AME Church of Topeka Kansas Inc.	KS: Kansas	\$231,804.00
Holy Rosary Institute Main Building Stabilization	Holy Rosary Redevelopment	LA: Louisiana	\$450,000.00
Civil Rights Museum for the McDonogh 19 building	Leona Tate Foundation For Change Inc	LA: Louisiana	\$500,000.00
Hamtramck Stadium pre-development plan	City of Hamtramck	MI: Michigan	\$50,000.00
Mitchell Hall Preservation and Rehabilitation	Lincoln University of Missouri	MO: Missouri	\$500,000.00
Restoration of Tallahatchie Co. Courthouse first floor, to the period of significance	Emmett Till Memorial Commission of Tallahatchie County Inc.	MS: Mississippi	\$500,000.00
Pauli Murray Family Home Interior Restoration -	Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice	NC: North Carolina	\$237,575.00
Rehabilitation of the Modjeska Monteith Simkins House	Historic Columbia Foundation	SC: South Carolina	\$293,000.00
Sandy Island Cultural Initiative	Coastal Carolina University	SC: South Carolina	\$104,798.06
City of Memphis - Clayborn Temple Preservation Project	City Of Memphis, Div., Housing And Community Development	TN: Tennessee	\$400,000.00
Third Street Bethel AME Church Rehabilitation and NR Nomination Update	Virginia Department of Historic Resources (DHR)	VA :Virginia	\$404,821.04
Williams Community Resource Center	City of Danville, Virginia	VA: Virginia	\$413,269.05



<b>History Projects:</b>	<b>Grantee</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Preserving History, Building Community: Preservation Leadership Training at the Gaston Motel in Birmingham, Alabama	Birmingham Civil Rights Institute	AL: Alabama	\$47,003.00
City of Riverside African American Civil Rights History	The City of Riverside	CA: California	\$50,000.00
The Rosenwald Schools Mapping Project: Enhancing Understanding of Rosenwald Schools through Web GIS and Story Maps	National Trust for Historic Preservation in the U.S.	DC: District of Columbia	\$50,000.00
Civil Rights and Neighborhood Change in Washington DC	Smithsonian Institution	DC: District of Columbia	\$49,616.00
African American 20th Century Civil Rights Heritage Trail	District of Columbia Office of Planning	DC: District of Columbia	\$37,000.00
Mapping Segregation in Washington DC: The Legal Campaign to End Racially Restrictive Covenants	Historical Society of Washington, D.C.	DC: District of Columbia	\$50,000.00
National Register Nomination and Interpretive/Educational Materials for Federation Home and Tate Arms African American Student Dormitories	City of Iowa City	IA: Iowa	\$16,052.38
Untold Stories: The African American Civil Rights Movement in Idaho	Idaho State Historical Society	ID: Idaho	\$50,000.00
The Kentucky Civil Rights Movement Exhibition	Kentucky Center for African American Heritage	KY: Kentucky	\$50,000.00
The New Orleans Civil Rights Movement Oral History Project to preserve first person testimony of the New Orleans civil rights movement.	Kemper and Lelia Williams Foundation Inc	LA: Louisiana	\$23,360.00
1320 Eutaw Place: Lillie Carroll Jackson's Home for Freedom	Morgan State University	MD: Maryland	\$49,828.00
Beaches and Ballfields: Contested Recreational Spaces and the Struggle for Civil Rights in Anne Arundel County, MD.	Lost Towns Project, Inc	MD: Maryland	\$48,000.00

Detroit's African American Civil Rights History 1900-1970 Survey and Multiple Resource Nomination	Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA)	MI: Michigan	\$49,500.00
Research, Interpret, and Preserve the Civil Rights History of Natchez and Adams County, Mississippi	Historic Natchez Foundation	MS: Mississippi	\$50,000.00
Project for the International Civil Rights Center & Museum (Sit-In Movement, Inc.)	Sit-In Movement Inc.	NC: North Carolina	\$50,000.00
Long Island Luminaries: Untold Stories of the Civil Rights Era	Town of North Hempstead, NY	NY: New York	\$50,000.00
Expanding and Enlivening the Archive Through Community Curators: an Oral History Project to archive witnesses to social & economic justice issues of Weeksville	Society for the Preservation of Weeksville	NY: New York	\$50,000.00
20th Century African American Civil Rights Movement in Ohio: Evaluating and Nominating Historic Properties	Ohio Historical Society	OH: Ohio	\$50,000.00
African-American Struggle for Civil Rights in Rhode Island: The 20th Century	Rhode Island Historical Society	RI: Rhode Island	\$49,557.76
South Carolina Civil Rights Teacher Institute	University of South Carolina	SC: South Carolina	\$49,997.00
Give A Damn: Stax Records and Social Justice	Soulsville Foundation	TN: Tennessee	\$47,500.00

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## African American Civil Rights Grants

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### Funded Projects Announced

[The National Park Service and the Department of the Interior are pleased to announce the FY2017 African American Civil Rights grants from the Historic Preservation Fund.](#) NPS has awarded over \$12 million in funding for 51 projects in 24 states that will preserve, document, and highlight sites and stories associated with the 20th century African American Civil Rights movement. This year, over 140 applications were received, requesting almost \$30 million in funding. This is the second year that NPS has awarded grants through the African American Civil Rights grant program, which awarded \$8 million in FY2016. FY2018 funding is yet to be determined by Congress.

### Funded Projects in 2016

The projects below were [announced](#) on January 12, 2017.

**Alabama Birmingham Civil Rights Institute - \$47,003***Preserving History, Building Community: Preservation Leadership Training at the Gaston Motel*

The Birmingham Civil Rights Institute will use grant funding to provide Preservation Leadership Training. This will involve the A. G. Gaston Motel, which was a luxury motel for African Americans during the segregation era and often acted as a meeting place for civil rights activists. The preservation leadership training will include African American focused preservation goals and will be a part of a collaborative learning experience.

**Alabama City of Anniston - \$496,375***Anniston Freedom Riders Monument*

The City of Anniston project focuses on the site of the Anniston Greyhound Bus Station where attacks on Freedom Riders occurred in 1961 as they attempted to make their way to Birmingham. Grant funds will restore the bus station to its appearance at that time through the restoration of historic materials, recreation of historic conditions, and stabilization of the roof.

**Alabama Historic Brown Chapel AME Preservation Society Inc - \$500,000***Preserving Brown Chapel AME from Electrical, Roofing and Structural Needs*

Brown Chapel AME in Selma, Alabama was the starting point of the 600 person march to Montgomery across the Edmund Pettus Bridge in 1965. The protesters were attacked on their march and the event later became known as "Bloody Sunday." Brown Chapel AME was the start of multiple other marches following Bloody Sunday which received national attention. Grant funds will provide structural and electrical restoration and rehabilitation, fix the moisture infiltration issue, and repair the roof.

**Alabama Sixteenth Street Baptist Church - \$500,000***Preservation, Repair and Restoration of the Historic Sixteenth Street Baptist Church*

The Sixteenth Street Baptist Church was the site of a racially motivated bombing where 19 sticks of dynamite exploded, surrounding the building. Four young girls died in the 1963 attack and many others were injured. Grant funds will allow for window repairs, restoration of the exterior lantern and towers, and lead abatement.

**Arkansas City of Little Rock - \$499,372.56***Preserving Central High - A Civil Rights Monument*

In 1957, after the Supreme Court Decision in *Brown v. Board*, 9 black students attempted to enroll at the all-white Central High. This resulted in action from the Governor, asking the National Guard to stop the students. The NAACP worked to get a federal injunction to stop the National Guard and police escorted the students to school but later had to be removed due to protesters outside. The next day, 1,000 US Army troops escorted the 9 students to school. Grant funds will work towards fixing moisture infiltration issues and repairing structural issues.

California The City of Riverside - \$50,000

*City of Riverside African American Civil Rights History*

This project will focus on filling the holes left by previous research, survey, documentation, and designation efforts of African American community resources. By conducting an African American Civil Rights Movement Context and Survey, the city will develop a local context that ties into the National Framework for Civil Rights.

District of Columbia District of Columbia Office of Planning - \$37,000

*African American 20th Century Civil Rights Heritage Trail*

The DC Historic Preservation Office will use grant funds to create a mobile-aware website titled, "An African American 20th Century Civil Rights Heritage Trail" which will include 100 sites that will both individually and collectively tell the stories of people and groups in the struggle for Civil Rights for African Americans. The trail will include sites from multiple time periods defined in the National Framework for Civil Rights.

District of Columbia Historical Society of Washington, D.C. - \$50,000

*Mapping Segregation in Washington DC: Legal Campaign to End Racially Restrictive Covenants*

The Historical Society will use grant funds to create a website with layered interactive maps to show segregation in DC. It will document the segregation of DC's schools, housing, playgrounds, and other public spaces. The website will be designed to grow and expand.

District of Columbia National Trust for Historic Preservation in the U.S. - \$50,000

*Enhancing Understanding of Rosenwald Schools through Web GIS and Story Maps*

The National Trust will use grant funds to create the Rosenwald Schools Mapping Project. Rosenwald schools were funded by Julius Rosenwald, President of Sears Roebuck and Company, and were created specifically for the



purpose of African American schools. This project will aggregate data into one database on Rosenwald Schools across the country, standardize survey data, and create story maps to interpret these sites for the public.

**District of Columbia Smithsonian Institution - \$49,616**

*Civil Rights and Neighborhood Change in Washington, DC*

The Smithsonian Anacostia Community Museum will use grant funding to create a new exhibition, "There Goes the Neighborhood", which will highlight the sites and stories of the Civil Rights struggle in DC. They will use already completed oral histories and extensive research to help with the interpretation for the exhibit.

**Georgia Ralph David Abernathy III Foundation Inc. - \$451,571.15**

*Restoration of the Historic West Hunter Street Baptist Church*

The West Hunter Street Baptist Church is where Dr. Abernathy preached. Dr. Abernathy was a key figure in the Civil Rights movement, working closely with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Many trainings occurred at the site, including non-violence training, and many important decisions were made there, such as choosing to march across the Edmund Pettus Bridge for the first time in 1963. Grant funds will work on a conditions assessment, architectural and engineering plans for the building, and hazardous material abatement.

**Idaho Idaho State Historical Society - \$50,000**

*Untold Stories: The African American Civil Rights Movement in Idaho*

The Idaho State Historic Preservation Office, along with other partners, will use grant funding to collect background research and oral histories to identify and document historic sites related to the Civil Rights movement in Idaho. Once sites have been identified, a multiple property form to pursue listing for those sites on the National Register of Historic Places will be completed.

**Illinois Landmarks Preservation Council of Illinois - \$250,000**

*Preservation of the Oscar Stanton De Priest House National Historic Landmark*

The Oscar Stanton De Priest House is a National Historic Landmark where De Priest, a prominent Chicago politician, fought for civil rights, especially anti-lynching laws. De Priest worked closely with the NAACP and along with his wife helped form the Flying Squadron. Grant funds will help repair the roof, fix the facade, and work on stopping water infiltration to the building.

**Iowa** City of Iowa City - \$16,052.38

*National Register Nomination and Interpretation of Federation Home and Tate Arms*

This two-part project by the City of Iowa City will begin by using grant funding to create two separate National Register nominations for two buildings associated with African American Civil Rights through housing equality at the University of Iowa: Federation Home and Tate Arms. Part two will be the creation of interpretive signage, as well as digital and print media to educate the public about the history of those two buildings, which functioned as housing for African American students who were barred from living in student dormitories despite being students at the university.

**Kansas** Saint Marks AME Church of Topeka Kansas Inc. - \$231,804

*St. Mark's A.M.E. Church Rehabilitation*

Saint Marks AME Church was led by Reverend Oliver Brown, who was the lead litigant in the Brown vs Board of Education Supreme Court case, which deemed segregated schools unconstitutional. Grants funds will be used for roof and masonry restoration, window repair, and ceiling repairs.

**Kentucky** Kentucky Center for African American Heritage - \$50,000

*The Kentucky Civil Rights Movement Exhibition*

The Kentucky Center for African American Heritage will use grant funds to create an educational exhibit on the Civil Rights movement in the area focused on 10 sites that were significant in the struggle for equality. While previous research has been done, no museum exhibit or interpretive program has been created to depict the story of Kentucky's Civil Rights movement in detail.

**Louisiana** Holy Rosary Redevelopment - \$450,000

*Holy Rosary Institute Main Building Stabilization*

The Holy Rosary Institute was founded as a vocational and technical school for African American females in the early 1900s, a time when educating neither African Americans nor women was a popular activity. Grant funds will cover window restoration, roof repair, wall & ceiling repairs, and other stabilization efforts.

**Louisiana** Kemper and Lelia Williams Foundation Inc - \$23,360

*New Orleans Civil Rights Movement Oral History Project to Preserve First Person Testimony*

The Foundation will use the grant funding for their project, "The New Orleans Civil Rights Oral History Project" which will focus on two separate time periods, 1954-1964 and 1964-1976. There will be 50 hours of audio histories as well as 10-15 video histories that will be completed as part of the project. The interviews will revolve around people associated with 11 sites around the city and their stories of the time. These histories will be available to the public at no cost and will potentially be a part of a radio series to help disseminate the information to the public.

**Louisiana Leona Tate Foundation for Change. Inc. - \$500,000**

*Civil Rights Museum for the McDonogh 19 Building*

In 1960, three African American students were escorted by Federal Marshals into a previously all-white school, McDonogh #19, making them the first African American to attend a formerly white school in Louisiana. After the 3 students joined, all white students left and for two years, those 3 students were the only ones who attended McDonogh #19. Grant funds will include a historical consultant for during rehabilitation, stabilization, and interior rehabilitation.

**Maryland Lost Towns Project, Inc - \$48,000**

*Beaches and Ballfields: Contested Recreational Spaces and the Struggle for Civil Rights*

This project will use grant funds to do a survey and inventory of recreational and leisure areas for African Americans during the Civil Rights era in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. This project will include many aspects including archival research, oral histories, and GIS based story maps

**Maryland Morgan State University- \$49,828**

*1320 Eutaw Place: Lillie Carroll Jackson's Home for Freedom*

This two part project will use grant funds to collect oral histories from people regarding Lillie Carroll Jackson, a prominent Civil Rights activist in the Baltimore area. After completing these oral histories, the findings from such interviews will be used as the basis for preparing a National Register nomination for her house, 1320 Eutaw Place.

**Michigan City of Hamtramck - \$50,000**

*Hamtramck Stadium Pre-Development Plan*

Hamtramck stadium played a large role in segregated sporting in the 20th century. It became a home for Negro League baseball throughout the 1930s. This grant will fund a pre-development plan, including conditions assessment, construction estimates, and architectural plans and specifications.

**Michigan Michigan State Housing Development Authority  
(MSHDA)- \$49,500**

*Detroit's African American Civil Rights History 1900-1970*

MSHDA along with partners will use grant funding to complete a multiple resource property documentation for Detroit's Civil Rights history from 1900-1970. The project will begin with a reconnaissance level survey and will include an intensive level survey of a minimum of the 30 most significant sites found. A survey report and a minimum of four National Register nominations will be completed as part of the project.

**Missouri Lincoln University of Missouri- \$500,000**

*Mitchell Hall Preservation and Rehabilitation*

In 1942, Lincoln University became the first black university in the U.S. to offer a School of Journalism, which was housed in Mitchell Hall. They continued to be the only journalism degree at a Historically Black College or University for 25 years. Grant funds will go towards foundation repairs, roof repairs, and mold removal from the interior of the building.

**Mississippi Emmett Till Memorial Commission of Tallahatchie County Inc - \$500,000**

*Restoration of Tallahatchie Co. Courthouse*

The Tallahatchie County Courthouse is the site of the Emmett Till murder trial. Till was a 14 year old lynching victim who was kidnapped, beaten, killed, and thrown into a river by two white men. At the trial, an all-white, all-male jury acquitted them. They later confessed in an article for Look magazine. Grant funds will restore the courthouse to its appearance from the trial in 1955, including ceiling and electrical work.

**Mississippi Historic Natchez Foundation - \$50,000**

*Research, Interpret, and Preserve the Civil Rights History of Natchez and Adams County*

The Historic Natchez Foundation will use grant funds to survey Adams County for sites associated with the Civil Rights movement. The survey will then be used to prepare a National Register nomination as well as a Civil Rights Trail. While Natchez has a long African American history, only one district is listed on the National Register for its association with Civil Rights.

**North Carolina Pauli Murray Center for History and Social Justice - \$237,575**

*Pauli Murray Family Home Interior Restoration*

Pauli Murray was a civil rights activist, lawyer, educator, writer, and later on, priest. She fought against Jim Crow laws and led

many successful protests in Washington D.C. and other areas. The site of her house is an NHL. Grant funds would go towards, lead abatement, wood repairs, moisture control, and interior finishes.

**North Carolina Sit-In Movement, Inc. - \$50,000**

*Project for the International Civil Rights Center & Museum*

Sit-In Movement, Inc. will use grant funds to plan and create new sections of their exhibitions revolving around Civil Rights, and more specifically the sit-in movement started by NC students at a whites only lunch counter. The new sections to the exhibit will largely look at the Jim Crow era and its effects. This project would also instruct interpreters on the new additions to the exhibits.

**New York Society for the Preservation of Weeksville - \$50,000**

*An Oral History Project to Archive Witnesses to Social & Economic Justice in Weeksville*

Weeksville was a small area started by former slave, James Weeks. They built up the community until 1900, when there were about 500 families in the area, but 50 years later it was virtually gone. The Society for the Preservation of Weeksville will use grant funds to conduct training workshops on conducting oral histories and then use volunteers to collect the oral histories with the help of a professional. Then the stories will be curated, put in an exhibit, placed online, and integrated into tours of Weeksville.

**New York Town of North Hempstead, NY - \$50,000**

*Long Island Luminaries: Untold Stories of the Civil Rights Era*

The Town of North Hempstead historically had a large population, a high percentage of which were members of the KKK. This led to continuing violence between the white and African American communities and local law enforcement. Grant funds will be used to conduct an oral history project of local residents from that era. Beginning with an outreach campaign to determine local residents to tell their stories of the area's Civil Rights struggles. Video oral histories will then be collected, and with a local TV partner, produced into a feature along with historic footage and historian commentary.

**Ohio Ohio Historical Society - \$50,000**

*Civil Rights Movement in Ohio: Evaluating and Nominating Historic Properties*

The Ohio State Historic Preservation Office will use grant funds to research, identify, and evaluate significant sites in Ohio that played a role in the African American Civil Rights movement. This research will lead to a multiple resource property cover and National Register nomination.

**Rhode Island Rhode Island Historical Society - \$49,557.76**

*African-American Struggle for Civil Rights in Rhode Island:  
The 20th Century*

The Rhode Island Historical Society and partners will use grant funds for a research and documentation project. While RI has completed survey regarding Civil Rights in Providence and Newport, many other areas remain unsurveyed for connections with Civil Rights. Research on historical surveys, oral histories, and other resources will be combined with new surveys and oral histories to work towards a statewide survey of historic sites associated with the Civil Rights movement. The survey will be completed with a report as well as new recommendations for the National Register.

**South Carolina Coastal Carolina University - \$104,798.06**

*Sandy Island Cultural Initiative*

The Sandy Island School was the only educational opportunity for the small community made up of descendants of former slaves. The one room schoolhouse had few resources and older students took a boat to the mainland for school. They still use a school bus boat today. Grant funds will go towards roof repairs, exterior and interior restoration, and waterproofing.

**South Carolina Historic Columbia Foundation - \$293,000**

*Rehabilitation of the Modjeska Monteith Simkins House*

Modjeska Simkins was known as the matriarch of civil rights in SC. Simkins worked with the NAACP and was appointed to the chair of the Columbia branch. Her home also functioned as a meeting place for the NAACP, including visitors such as Thurgood Marshall, who were not allowed to stay at city hotels. Grant funding includes work on building stabilization, water remediation, roof replacement, and repairing of doors.

**South Carolina University of South Carolina - \$49,997**

*South Carolina Civil Rights Teacher Institute*

Through the University's new Civil Rights Center, grant funds will be used to hold a week-long Civil Rights Teacher's Institute to help create lesson plans on Civil Rights in SC for 8th and 11th grade students. The Institute will use sites such as the Modjeska Simkins house to help discuss issues that were occurring at that time. Once the lesson plans are completed, they will be sent to all South Carolina school districts, as well as be available to the public via the Civil Rights Center's website.

**Tennessee City of Memphis, Division of Housing and  
Community Development - \$400,000**

*Clayborn Temple Preservation Project*

Clayborn Temple was the strategy center for the 1968 Sanitation Workers Strike in Memphis. The event ended with violence against protesters who had retreated to the Clayborn Temple. Grant funds will go towards repairing the truss system for the roof and other ceiling and roof work.

Tennessee Soulsville Foundation - \$47,500

*Give A Damn: Stax Records and Social Justice*

The Soulsville Foundation will use grant funds to create a new exhibit at Stax Records targeting the Civil Rights and social justice initiatives started there in the 1960s and 1970s. Oral histories will play a large part in the exhibition, as will the music generated from Stax at the time, and the stories of musicians and their role in the local Civil Rights movement.

Virginia City of Danville, Virginia - \$413,269.05

*Williams Community Resource Center*

The site was home to the Williams family, who were heavily involved in the local civil rights movement and fought for the desegregation of public facilities in the area. Grant funds will allow for asbestos remediation and interior rehabilitation

Virginia Virginia Department of Historic Resources - \$404,821.04

*Third Street Bethel AME Church Rehabilitation and NR Nomination Update*

The 3rd Street Bethel Baptist Church served as a location for African Americans to safely meet and plan for issues revolving around the community. Grant funds will allow for roof repair, water remediation, and interior rehabilitation.

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