

OREGON HERITAGE GRANT

2021-2023 BIENNIUM

OREGON HERITAGE COMMISSION, OREGON HERITAGE

Oregon Heritage Grant funds are to be used for:

Support of projects that preserve, develop, or interpret of Oregon's cultural heritage. Priority will be given to projects that preserve, develop, or interpret threatened heritage resources and/or heritage resources of statewide significance.

The grant may fund a broad variety of projects including, but not limited to collections preservation and access, exhibits, oral history projects, public education events, organizational archives projects, films theatrical performances, teaching traditional practices, public history interpretation, organizational planning that supports heritage resources, and more. Due to the availability of other state funding for the preservation of historic structures, the Commission will not give priority for funding preservation of historic structures.

Grants must be submitted through the [Oregon Parks and Recreation Department Grants Online](#) system. There will be one grant cycle in the 2021-2023 biennium.

Definitions:

- Heritage is the array of significant things, thoughts, and activities associated with the human experience in Oregon.
- Oregon's heritage resources include artifacts and other manifestations of material culture, documents, publications, photographs and films, prehistoric and historic sites, historic buildings and other structures, cultural landscapes, heritage celebrations, festivals and fairs, and songs, stories, and recordings associated with the human experience in Oregon.

GRANT TIMELINE:

Deadline – October 20, 2021 (11:59pm)

Notification – December 1, 2021

Project Start – December 15, 2021, agreements fully executed, and workplan approved.

Project completion and reporting deadline – Apr. 30, 2023

AWARD AMOUNT: Generally, awards are \$3000-\$20,000. \$380,000 is available to award.

MATCH: Grants will be made for no more than 50 percent of total project costs. Up to 50 percent of the participant's share of project costs may consist of approved donated services and materials. Volunteer rate is Oregon minimum wage. Volunteers using professional skills, may use professional rates. Other funds from the Oregon Heritage Commission or Oregon Parks and Recreation Department may not be used to match an Oregon Heritage Grant.

BUDGET INFORMATION: Bids and estimates strengthen the grant request when applicable.



PROFESSIONAL REQUIREMENTS: The application must convey that all work will be completed following appropriate museum, archival, preservation, research or library practices and ethics. Please specify in the application which standards will be followed for the project.

GRANT REPORTING AND PAYMENT: Awarded projects will be the subject of binding agreements between the State and the applicants. Typically, grant funds are dispersed on a reimbursable basis. Details of payment arrangements and grant reporting are included in the grant guidelines.

ELIGIBILITY, CRITERIA AND PRIORITIES:

ORGANIZATIONS:

- A non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Oregon with a 501(c)(3) determination from the United States Internal Revenue Service and a legally-constituted board of trustees or directors;
- A tribal government of a Native American group recognized by the State of Oregon and the federal government and located in the State of Oregon;
- A university or college located in the State of Oregon; or
- A local government within the State of Oregon.

ORGANIZATIONS NOT ELIGIBLE:

- Individuals;
- Religious organizations;
- For-profit organizations such as partnerships, companies, and corporations;
- State agencies, except for state supported colleges and universities;
- School districts; and
- Federal agencies.

CRITERIA: The review committee will consider the following in ranking the grant applications:

- The capability of the applicant to carry out the proposed project.
- The effectiveness of the proposed project for conserving or developing heritage resources.
- Level of the threat to the heritage resource and/or statewide significance.
- How well the work plan meets professional standards.

PRIORITIES:

- Projects that preserve or develop heritage resources that are threatened and/or are of statewide significance
- Projects with a well-prioritized, clearly explained work plan with an appropriate level of detail and realistic cost estimates.
- Projects that document, preserve, or interpret the history of voices previously marginalized or excluded. For example, this may include ethnicities, races, genders, classes, etc.
- Geographic diversity.
- Project readiness, including matching dollar share in-hand.

ASSISTANCE:

- Grant, access, and OPRD: Grants Online questions: Kuri Gill, kuri.gill@oregon.gov, 503-986-0685.

