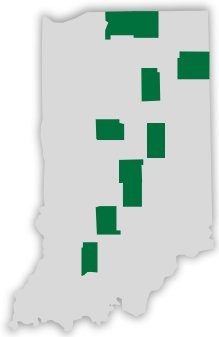


HPF Projects to be awarded for FY2024



Although official grant awards haven't been made yet, the following projects are expected to receive federal financial assistance through the U.S. Department of Interior's National Park Service Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) program administered by the Indiana Department of Natural Resources Division of Historic Preservation & Archaeology. This year the HPF grant awards total more than \$635,000 which will be matched by the applicants with more than \$604,000 for a total investment of more than \$1.2 million for Indiana's historic and cultural resources. The DHPA looks forward to these projects beginning in the summer of 2024 and to be completed by June 30, 2026.

The investment of HPF money means the projects are considered a federal undertaking, and therefore consulting parties have the opportunity to comment on the project under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (54 U.S.C. § 306108) and 36 C.F.R. Part 800. The proposed scope of work has been reviewed by DHPA staff and determined to meet the Secretary of the Interior's Standards and Guidelines for Historic Properties. Therefore, we believe that the projects will have no adverse effect on historic properties. **If you would like to be a consulting party or provide public comments for any of the projects listed, please contact us by May 31, 2024.**

Make sure to specify the project(s) for which you are requesting to be a consulting party, and we will provide scope of work, maps, and photographs for the project(s) you are interested in for review and comment. To contact us: send a request to Indiana DHPA, Attn: HPF Grant Staff, 402 W.

Washington St., Room W274, Indianapolis, IN 46204, or email Malia Vanaman at:

mvanaman@dnr.IN.gov.

Archaeology Projects

Clinton County

A grant to the University of Indianapolis will fund a Phase Ia archaeological survey of approximately 607 acres in Clinton County. The DHPA designated Clinton County as a high priority since compared to adjacent counties, Clinton has a very low number of documented archaeological sites. This is likely due to lack of investigation, not low presence of resources. By initiating survey, the project will begin to rectify the deficiency of our understanding of the county's history and will contribute to the understanding of the region as well.

Wabash County

A grant to Ball State Applied Anthropology Laboratories will fund a Phase Ia archaeological survey of approximately 40 acres in the Salamonie River State Forest. The primary goals of this project are to further understand how the historic mill adjacent to the property was accessed as well as previous use of the upland bluff along the river by precontact peoples. This project will also provide data to the Division of Forestry and the property to aid in interpretation and resource management planning.

Rehabilitation Projects

Bloomington (Monroe County)

A grant to the city of Bloomington will repair the front steps at the Benjamin Banneker Community Center. The building was constructed in 1915 and served as a segregated school for African American students until 1954. The building is an anchor of the West Side Historic District and now houses programs, resources, and services for underserved residents of the neighborhood to improve quality of life.



Chesterfield (Madison County)

A grant to the Indiana Association of Spiritualists will assist with the stabilization of the Maxon Fellowship Center, which serves as the dining hall and gathering venue for residents and visitors to Camp Chesterfield. The scope of work includes repairing and reinforcing part of the concrete floor structure that has deteriorated through moisture infiltration and corroding of the reinforcing steel causing cracks and spalls in the concrete and reduced loadbearing capacity of the floor system.



Goshen (Elkhart County)

A grant to the Elkhart County Clubhouse will assist with installing high efficiency heat pumps and rebuilding the unsafe rear porch in the 1890 Cora Dale House. Since 2012, this stately home has operated as a support center for adults living with mental illness. The back porch was in poor condition when the clubhouse acquired the building more than a decade ago, and it has continued to deteriorate. The building is currently served by two gas furnaces that are now about 25 years old and at the end of their useful lives. This grand Queen Anne style house retains many significant features, including original interior gas light fixtures, stained glass windows, etched glass pocket doors, and tile and woodwork fireplace surrounds.



Indianapolis (Marion County)

A grant to the Irvington Historical Society will help rehabilitate the Bona Thompson Center in Indianapolis. The project includes replacing a failing section of flat roof and replacing the HVAC system for the building. The section of flat roof covers a portion of the building used for storage but limits effective use of the space due to leaking, and the lack of reliable heating and cooling renders the building unusable for events during seasonal extremes and provides poor climate control for the collections housed inside.



Indianapolis (Marion County)

A grant to the Indianapolis Propylaeum will assist with masonry and woodwork rehabilitation on the Carriage House of the Indianapolis Propylaeum. The Indianapolis Propylaeum, a women's organization founded in 1888, purchased the 1891 Schmidt/Shaf property in 1923 and remodeled the carriage house in 1926 into two storefronts facing 14th Street, an upstairs apartment, a large studio space, and a townhouse, all intended for use by women and women's enterprises. The grant activity will help secure the building from water infiltration.



Indianapolis (Marion County)

A grant to the Indiana Humanities Council will assist with masonry rehabilitation on the 1903 Meredith Nicholson House. The council has occupied the brick Colonial Revival style house since 1986 and has undertaken ongoing maintenance and preservation of the building. This project will address repointing in multiple areas of mortar failure and joint cracks, rebuild a window well that is collapsing, and rebuild a brick and limestone entrance stair and stoop on the north side.



Shoals (Martin County)

A grant to the Town of Shoals will assist with stabilization of the 1872 Mohr Building, which is a significant three-story commercial building and has been vacant for over a decade. The building suffers from a lack of maintenance, a failing roof, past repointing with inappropriate mortar, brick spalling and mortar loss, and a masonry bulge near the bottom of the north wall. Due to the urgency, the town has initiated masonry rehabilitation which was the proposed scope of work for the grant. The DHPA will work with the town to identify the next highest priorities to address.



South Bend (St. Joseph County)

A grant to the city of South Bend will assist with the rehabilitation of the Walker Field Shelter House, which was built by the WPA in 1938. The project will replace the asphalt shingle roof on the park structure and arcade wings. The shelter has been closed to the public due to its deteriorating conditions but is the focus of revitalization efforts in the neighborhood.



South Bend (St. Joseph County)

A grant to the St. Casimir Parish will assist with the installation of new boilers for the sanctuary and school wing of the historic church. The parish was established in 1898 to serve the growing Polish population of South Bend, and today serves a growing Latin American immigrant community. The education building continues to provide space for parish groups, outreach and support services for the neighborhood, and nearby school art, music, and physical education programs. The current boiler heating system is more than 40 years old and is now unreliable and inadequate. New boilers have been acquired, so this project will assist with the installation activities and costs.



Architectural & Historical Projects

Fort Wayne (Allen County)

A grant to the city of Fort Wayne and the Wildwood Park Neighborhood will help prepare a landscape study for the historic Rockhill Park in Fort Wayne. This 28-acre park was created in 1908 to turn remnants of the Wabash and Erie Canal into public greenspace. The document will cover the development history of the park and the adjacent Wildwood Park neighborhood, and examine contemporary issues, such as landscape maintenance, improving habitat for birds and pollinators, improving the tree canopy for urban cooling, and providing better connectivity to the adjacent neighborhood.



Franklin (Johnson County)

A grant to Franklin Heritage, Inc. will assist with National Register of Historic Places nominations for three identified historic districts in Franklin: the Northside, Eastside and Southside historic districts. In addition, the project will make revisions and updates to the Franklin Downtown Commercial District to expand the period of significance and include additional properties. Franklin Heritage, Inc. is the local preservation organization and the goal for this project is to recognize historic neighborhoods and make properties eligible for benefits of National Register listing.

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National Park Service

**National Register of Historic Places
Registration Form**

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See Instructions in Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-9000). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property
historic name Franklin Commercial Historic District
other names/site number N/A

2. Location
street & number roughly East & West Court St. Jefferson, Monroe, Main not for publication N/A
city, town Franklin vicinity N/A
state Indiana code IN county Johnson code 091 zip code 46131

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
		Contributing	Noncontributing
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<u>33</u>	<u>16</u> buildings
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> structures
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u> objects
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	<u>33</u>	<u>16</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: N/A
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 4

Indianapolis (Marion County)

A grant to the Athenaeum Foundation will prepare a historic structure report for the Athenaeum building in Indianapolis. The DHPA has previously assisted this property with four separate phases of masonry and window rehabilitation using HPF grants. A comprehensive historical background and planning study will be extremely useful for the applicant to understand their large National Historic Landmark property, prioritize needed rehabilitation work, and maximize utilization of the numerous interior spaces.

