

Tribal Historic Preservation Offices



WHAT ARE TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICERS?

THPOs are Tribal government officials who protect culturally important places that perpetuate Native identity, resilience, and cultural endurance. THPOs assume the duties of State Historic Preservation Officers on Tribal land, grounded in

sovereignty, traditional knowledge, and cultural values. THPOs complete required reviews for Tribal projects as well as national energy and infrastructure development.

WHAT IS AT STAKE?

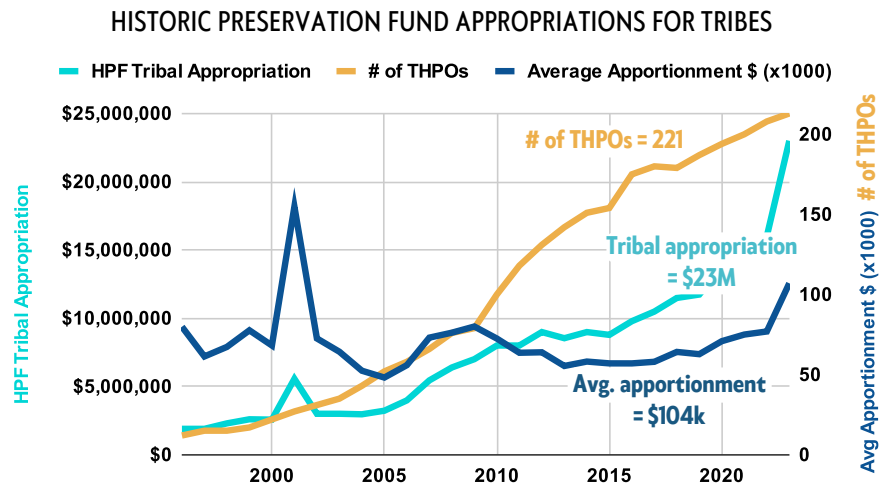
Connections to cultural heritage sustain the health and vitality of Native peoples, helping heal generational trauma. THPOs also complete required reviews for energy and infrastructure development.

As the number of Tribes with a THPO increases, the funding for this federal program must keep pace. **In 1996, there were 12 THPOs; in 2024, there were 221 THPOs who got an average of \$104,000 each.**

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT THPO PROGRAM FUNDING REFLECTS THE GROWING NUMBER OF THPOS.

OUR REQUEST

\$34 million to carry out the requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act. This would provide the 228 total THPOs an average of \$149,122 each to run their programs, which create jobs, generate economic development, and spur community revitalization.



The number of THPOs increases each year. For the average apportionment per THPO to actually increase, the HPF Tribal appropriation must keep pace.

WHAT DO THPOS DO?

- Work with law enforcement to apprehend and prosecute looters of ancestral remains and sacred objects
- First responders when a sacred site is threatened or Native ancestors are disturbed by development
- Create their Tribe’s oral history programs and operate Tribal museums and cultural centers
- Locate, survey, record and maintain inventories of Tribal historic resources
- Review federal projects for their impact on Tribal historic resources
- Nominate properties to the National Register of Historic Places
- Lead revitalization of cultural traditions and native languages





Tribal Historic Preservation Officers by State

ALABAMA

- Poarch Band of Creek Indians

ALASKA

- Organized Village of Kake

ARIZONA

- Colorado River Indian Tribes
- Gila River Indian Community
- Hopi Tribe of Arizona
- Hualapai Tribe
- Navajo Nation
- Pasqua Yaqui Tribe of Arizona
- Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
- San Carlos Apache Tribe
- Tohono O'odham Nation
- White Mountain Apache Tribe

CALIFORNIA

- Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians
- Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria
- Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley
- Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians
- Bishop Paiute Tribe
- Blue Lake Rancheria Tribe of Indians
- Bridgeport Indian Colony
- Buena Vista Rancheria, Me-Wuk Indians
- Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians
- Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria
- Chemehuevi Indian Tribe of the Chemehuevi Reservation
- Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians
- Elem Indian Colony
- Elk Valley Rancheria
- Enterprise Rancheria of Maidu Indians
- Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria
- Fort Independence Paiute Indians
- Habematolel Band of Pomo Indians
- Hoopa Valley Tribe
- Hopland Band of Pomo Indians
- Jamul Indian Village
- Karuk Tribe of California
- Kasha Band of Pomo Indians of Stewarts Point Rancheria
- La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians
- Manzanita Band, Diegueno Mission Indians
- Mechoopda Band of Chico Rancheria
- Middletown Rancheria of Pomo Indians of California
- Mooretown Rancheria of Maidu Indians of CA
- Morongo Band of Mission Indians
- Pala Band of Mission Indians
- Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians
- Pecharanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians
- Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians
- Pinoleville Pomo Nation
- Pit River Tribe
- Resighini Rancheria
- Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians
- Round Valley Indian Tribes
- San Manuel Band of Mission Indians
- San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians
- Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria
- Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians
- Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians of California
- Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians
- Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians
- Susanville Indian Rancheria
- Timbisha Shoshone Tribe
- Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation
- Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation
- Twenty-Nine Palms Band Mission Indians
- United Auburn Indian Community
- Wilton Rancheria
- Wiyot Tribe
- Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation
- Yurok Tribe

COLORADO

- Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Reservation
- Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

CONNECTICUT

- Mashantucket (Western) Pequot Tribal Nation
- Mohegan Tribe of Indians of CT

FLORIDA

- Seminole Tribe of Florida

IDAHO

- Coeur d'Alene Tribe
- Nez Perce Tribe

IOWA

- Sac & Fox Tribe of the Mississippi in Iowa (Meskwaki Nation)

KANSAS

- Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska/Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation

LOUISIANA

- Chitimacha Tribe of Louisiana
- Coushatta Tribe of Louisiana
- Jena Band of Choctaw Indians
- Tunica-Biloxi Tribe of Louisiana

MAINE

- Aroostook Band of Micmacs
- Houlton Band of Maliseet Indians
- Passamaquoddy Tribe
- Penobscot Nation

MASSACHUSETTS

- Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians
- Wampanoag Tribe of Gay Head-Aquinnah

MICHIGAN

- Bay Mills Indian Community
- Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians
- Keweenaw Bay Indian Community
- Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians
- Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
- Match-e-be-shie-wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians
- Nottawaseppi Huron Band Potawatomi
- Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians
- Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe of MI

MINNESOTA

- Bois Forte Band of Chippewa Indians
- Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa
- Grand Portage Band, Lake Superior Chippewa
- Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe
- Lower Sioux Indian Community
- Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe
- Prairie Island Indian Community of MN
- Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians
- Upper Sioux Community
- White Earth Nation of MN Chippewa

MONTANA

- Blackfeet Nation
- Chippewa Cree Tribe of the Rocky Boy's Reservation
- Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Indian Nation
- Crow Tribe of Montana
- Fort Belknap Indian Community
- Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes
- Northern Cheyenne Tribe

NEBRASKA

- Omaha Tribe of Nebraska
- Ponca Tribe of Nebraska
- Santee Sioux Nation
- Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska

NEVADA

- Duckwater Shoshone Tribe of the Duckwater Reservation
- Fallon Paiute Shoshone Tribe
- Lovelock Paiute Tribe of the Lovelock Indian Colony
- Moapa Band of Paiute Indians of the Moapa River Indian Reservation
- Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe
- Reno-Sparks Indian Colony
- Summit Lake Paiute Tribe
- Walker River Paiute Tribe
- Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California

NEW MEXICO

- Jicarilla Apache Nation
- Mescalero Apache Tribe
- Navajo Nation
- Pueblo of Acoma
- Pueblo of Cochiti
- The Pueblo of Isleta
- Pueblo of Jemez
- Pueblo of Laguna
- Pueblo of Nambe
- Pueblo of Pojoaque
- Pueblo of San Felipe
- Pueblo of San Ildefonso
- Pueblo of Santa Ana
- Pueblo of Santa Clara
- Pueblo of Tesuque
- Pueblo of Zia
- Santo Domingo Pueblo
- Zuni Pueblo

NEW YORK

- The Saint Regis Mohawk Tribe
- Seneca Nation of Indians

NORTH CAROLINA

- Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

NORTH DAKOTA

- Mandan, Hidatsa & Arikara Nation
- Spirit Lake Tribe of Fort Totten
- Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
- Turtle Mountain Band, Chippewa Indians

OKLAHOMA

- Absentee Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
- Caddo Nation
- Cherokee Nation
- Cheyenne & Arapaho Tribes
- Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma
- Citizen Potawatomi Nation
- Comanche Nation
- Delaware Nation
- Delaware Tribe of Indians
- Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
- Kiowa Indian Tribe of Oklahoma/Miami Tribe of Oklahoma
- Modoc Nation Muscogee Creek Nation
- Osage Nation
- Otoe-Missouria Tribe of Oklahoma
- Ottawa Tribe of Oklahoma
- Pawnee Nation of Oklahoma
- Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
- Ponca Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
- Quapaw Tribe, Oklahoma (O-Gah-Pah)
- Seminole Nation of Oklahoma
- Seneca Cayuga Tribe of Oklahoma
- Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma
- Thlopthlocco Tribal Town
- United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians
- Wichita and Affiliated Tribes
- Wyandotte Nation

OREGON

- Burns Paiute Tribe
- Confederate Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians
- Confederate Tribes of Grand Ronde Community of Oregon
- Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
- Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon
- Coquille Indian Tribe
- Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe

RHODE ISLAND

- Narragansett Indian Tribe

SOUTH CAROLINA

- Catawba Indian Nation

SOUTH DAKOTA

- Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe
- Crow Creek Sioux Tribe
- Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe
- Oglala Sioux Tribe
- Rosebud Sioux Tribe of Indians
- Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate
- Yankton Sioux Tribe

TEXAS

- Ysleta del Sur Pueblo

UTAH

- Navajo Nation
- Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah and Ouray Reservation

VIRGINIA

- Rappahannock Tribe

WASHINGTON

- Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation
- Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation
- Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation
- Cowlitz Indian Tribe
- Hoh Indian Tribe
- Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe
- Lummi Nation
- Makah Tribe
- Nisqually Indian Tribe
- Nooksack Indian Tribe
- Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe
- Quinalt Indian Nation
- Samish Indian Nation
- Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe
- Skokomish Indian Tribe
- Spokane Tribe of Indians
- Squaxin Island Tribe
- Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians
- Suquamish Tribe
- Swinomish Indian Tribal Community

WISCONSIN

- Bad River Band of the Lake Superior Tribe of Chippewa
- Forest County Potawatomi Community
- The Ho-Chunk Nation
- Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of Wisconsin
- Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians
- Menominee Indian Tribe of Wisconsin
- Oneida Nation of Wisconsin
- Red Cliff Band, Lake Superior Chippewa
- Sokaogon Chippewa Community
- Stockbridge-Munsee Community Band of Mohican Indians

WYOMING

- Northern Arapaho Tribe
- Shoshone Tribe, Wind River Reservation

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