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2010 HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND GRANTS AND WORKSHOP ANNOUNCED

Grant workshop 2 p.m., Thursday, October 8, 2009

TOPEKA, KS— The Kansas Historical Society announced the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) will award Historic Preservation Fund grants in May 2010. A workshop for grant applicants will be held 2 p.m., Thursday, October 8, at the Kansas Historical Society, 6425 SW 6th Avenue, Topeka. Workshop registration is not required, but is requested. Call 785-272-8681, ext. 245, for more information.

The Federal Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) provides assistance to state and tribal preservation offices each year. These funds are awarded to assist in expanding and accelerating those organizations' historic preservation activities. Federal regulations require that a portion of these funds be passed through to local communities and preservation organizations to assist with their preservation activities as well.

The Kansas SHPO awards HPF grants each year to organizations such as historical societies, universities, regional planning commissions, non-profit corporations, and city and county governments to help support local historic preservation activities. These competitive grants are used to fund historic property surveys, National Register nominations, preservation plans, design-review guidelines, and educational activities such as brochures, conferences, and workshops.

An HPF grant must result in a completed, tangible product, and all activities must pertain to the preservation programs outlined in the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended. The grant monies may be used to fund up to 60 percent of project costs. The other 40 percent (recipient match) must be furnished by the project sponsor and may be provided through cash or in-kind services and materials.

Applications for the 2010 HPF grant round will be posted online after the workshop at kshs.org/resource/hpinfo.htm. Additional information and guidance on this program is also available at that web address.

The SHPO staff will gladly review and comment upon preliminary HPF grant applications. The deadline for preliminary grant applications is February 1, 2010. Final applications must be postmarked no later than March 15, 2010, or delivered in person to the SHPO by 4:30 pm on that date. Grant awards will be announced May 8, 2010.

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For more information or to request the application in a different format, contact Katrina Ringler, grants manager, at 785-272-8681, ext. 215, or kringler@kshs.org or visit our website at kshs.org/resource/hpinfo.htm

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