Historic Preservation Commission Training: New Member Orientation
Who We Are

- Historic Preservation Division (HPD) of the Georgia Department of Natural Resources
- Georgia’s state historic preservation office (SHPO), established by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966
- 30+ staff members with academic and professional backgrounds in historic preservation, history, architecture, and archaeology
Georgia Historic Preservation Division
Mission Statement

“To promote the preservation and use of historic places for a better Georgia”

Raise Awareness
Increase Engagement
Build Preservation Ethic

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National Register of Historic Places

- Nation’s official list of historic properties that are worthy of preservation

- Eligible properties must retain a large degree of historic integrity and must meet at least one of the federally-established National Register Criteria for Evaluation

- Does not place restrictions on the use, treatment, transfer, or disposition of private property
Historic Preservation Tax Incentives

- Available to owners of National Register-listed or -eligible properties that carry out a substantial rehabilitation
- Work must meet the Secretary of the Interior’s Standards for Rehabilitation
Historic Preservation Tax Incentives
Residence in Athens, Clarke County

• Built in 1908

• $600,000 project to become law offices
Historic Preservation Tax Incentives

Ponce City Market

• Built 1926 as Sears, Roebuck & Co. distribution center

• $300 million multi-use project, 2 million square feet
Environmental Review

- Review of government-funded or -licensed construction projects for their impact on historic properties
- 98% of projects reviewed by HPD are for compliance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act
- 2,500-3,000 projects annually
African American Programs

- Since 2000, HPD provides full-time staff support for the Georgia African American Historic Preservation Network (GAAHPN)

- Plan and implement historic preservation projects that foster economic development and community revitalization.
Georgia Centennial Farm Awards

- Partnership between HPD, Georgia Department of Agriculture, Georgia Farm Bureau, Georgia Forestry Commission, and Georgia National Fair
- 469 farms honored since 1993
What is a CLG?
Georgia's Certified Local Government (CLG) Program
Certified Local Government Program

The Basics

A federal program administered by HPD

Created as part of the National Historic Preservation Act Amendments of 1980

Georgia has 89 CLG Communities

Toccoa most recently certified in late 2014

Georgia ranks third nationally in the highest number of CLG communities
Certified Local Government Program

Requirements

Adopt a preservation ordinance that complies with the Georgia Historic Preservation Act

Establish an adequate and qualified historic preservation review commission

Maintain a system for survey and inventory of historic properties that furthers the purpose of the National Historic Preservation Act
Certified Local Government Program

Requirements

Provide for **adequate public participation in the local historic preservation program**, including the process for recommending properties for nomination to the **National Register of Historic Places**.

Certified Local Government HPC Members are **required** to attend HPC Training once per term (every 3 years).
A local government becomes eligible to apply for federal Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) grants that are available only to those communities. In FFY 2014 more than $83,000.00 in federal funds were awarded to CLGs across Georgia.

Eligible project categories include survey, planning, predevelopment, and development.
Surveys

- $30,400 - Harrisburg-West End, City of Augusta (3 phases)
- $16,000 - Carver Heights/Carver Village, City of Savannah, phase 1
- $11,500 - City of Avondale Estates, phase 1
- $10,500 - City of Atlanta downtown
- $4,200 - City of Chickamauga, phase 1
- $3,000 - City of Hinesville

$74,250 Total to City of Gainesville
Historic Resources Survey Phases 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
National Register Nominations

- $10,000 City of Brunswick
- $6,465 City of Thomasville
- $5,000 City of Cedartown
- $3,000 City of Hawkinsville
- $6,000 City of West Point

City of Decatur
Downtown Historic District, $6,000
NE Residential District, $10,900
Design Guidelines

$6,000 Hawkinsville

$12,000 West Point

$10,000 Ft. Valley

$9,000 Gainesville

$6,600 Milledgeville

$6,000 Gillespie-Seldon Historic District, Cordele

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Information & Education

$6,400
City of Montezuma
Walking/driving tour brochure

$7,302
City of Hawkinsville
Walking/driving tour brochure

$3,000
City of Valdosta
Cemetery brochure & website

$10,408
City of Tifton
Historic District Signage
Predevelopment

$17,290

$5,400

$12,000

$8,808

$20,863

$5,000

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Development

$13,800
City of Rome
for Chieftains
Museum
plaster repair

$16,276
City of
Washington for
N. Alexander
School
window repair
Certified Local Government Program

Benefits

Technical assistance: CLG communities have direct access to HPD staff for technical assistance in historic preservation. Regular trainings, workshops, and conferences are also offered.
Save the Date

Fall HPC Training – Thomasville
Thursday, November 5, 2015
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