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Application Period for Rural Historic Preservation Grant Program To Open

FREDERICK, Md.— Frederick County is seeking eligible owners of historic properties in unincorporated areas of the County to apply for the Rural Historic Preservation Grant Program beginning September 1, 2023. The grant application period is an earlier application window than previous years to allow more time for notification of approval and signing of the agreement to start projects.

“The December through February application window was resulting in applicants not being able to start their projects until late summer at the earliest once all approvals were received and the grant agreement had been signed,” said Amanda Whitmore, Historic Preservation Planner. Grant applications will be accepted from September 1 through November 30 until 5 p.m. with notification of awards being made in early Spring.

Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis. Applicants may request up to \$50,000. To be eligible for funding, properties must be located in unincorporated areas of Frederick County; be either designated on the County Register of Historic Places, or a contributing resource in a County designated Historic District; and be in good standing with the County. If the property or district is not currently designated to the County Register of Historic Places, a determination of eligibility must be made by the Historic Preservation Commission prior to applying for a grant. This letter of determination must be included with the application.

Workshops will be held on the following dates to provide information about the program and how to apply. Those interested in attending will only need to participate in one workshop. Please register on the website below. Prior to the virtual workshops, registrants will receive an email including the virtual Microsoft Teams login information.

- August 24 at 12:00 pm, VIRTUAL
- September 20 at 5:30 pm, C. Burr Artz Programming Room
- October 9 at 6:30 pm, VIRTUAL
- October 24 at 2:00 pm, Location TBD

For additional information or to register for a workshop, visit FrederickCountyMD.gov/RuralHPGrant. Questions about the grant program can be emailed to Amanda Whitmore, Historic Preservation Planner at AWhitmore@FrederickCountyMD.gov.

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