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PAUL BRUHN HISTORIC REVITALIZATION GRANTS PROGRAM UPDATE

Rural Revitalization Subgrants. The State Historic Preservation Office, a division of the lowa Department of Cultural Affairs, recently received \$600,000 in federal funds for rural lowa communities that are working to revitalize historic properties in order to preserve their heritage and foster economic development. Local governments and nonprofits that own properties on the National Register of Historic Places are eligible for grants ranging from \$75,000 to \$125,000. This opportunity is part of the newly announced Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants Program, a \$4.8 million program of the National Park Service.

History. The Paul Bruhn Historic Revitalization Grants Program is a Historic Preservation Fund grant program created in 2018 that supports rehabilitation of historic properties and fosters economic development of rural communities. The Program funds preservation projects for historic sites, including architectural and engineering services and physical building preservation through subgrants to communities determined rural by the U.S. Bureau of the Census. In September 2019, this grant program was renamed to honor the legacy of long-time Vermont preservationist Paul Bruhn. The program was formerly named the Historic Revitalization Subgrant Program.

Application Information. Application information will be available at iowaculture.gov in October.

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