The Certified Local Government (CLG) Program seeks to encourage and expand local involvement in historic preservation activities through a partnership between local governments and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), and the National Park Service (NPS).

BENEFITS

- CLGs communities have access to grant funds available only to CLGs. These grants do not require a cash match and can be used for survey, planning, nomination, or educational activities.
- CLG communities receive technical support from SHPO and National Park Service staff in order to advance local preservation objectives.
- CLG communities have the ability to join national organizations, such as the National Alliance of Preservation Commissions, that provide informational resources and access to a 50-state preservation network.
- ► The SHPO offers CLG-exclusive training and networking opportunities throughout the state.
- The opportunity to participate in the review of tax credit projects.
- ► Local designation qualifies property owners for the 20 percent State Historic Preservation Tax Credit and provides access to the State Historical Fund preservation grant program.
- A strong local preservation program can increase property values, assist in promoting heritage tourism, and promote community heritage and identity.



St. James Episcopal Church, Lake City, CLG grant recipient



North Side Historic District, Pueblo

OBLIGATIONS

- ► Each CLG must enact and enforce a local ordinance that provides a legal framework for a preservation program that will achieve the purpose of designating and protecting significant historic buildings, sites, structures and districts.
- Each CLG must create a commission of at least five members that have a demonstrated interest, competence, or knowledge of preservation, and the commission must meet at least four times a year.
- At least one commission member must attend a SHPO-approved educational/training event each year.
- ► CLGs must maintain a system for survey and inventory of historic properties.
- CLGs must provide opportunities for public participation in local preservation efforts.
- CLGs must review and provide comment on National Register nominations submitted for properties within their jurisdiction.

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