

FEDERAL FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURISM PROJECTS

National Endowment for the Arts (NEA)

www.arts.gov

- **Challenge America Fast-Track**

<http://arts.gov/grants/apply-grant/grants-organizations/challenge-america-fast-track>

Deadline: April 16, 2015

Notification: December 2015

Earliest Start Date: June 1, 2016

\$10,000 matching grants for projects in underserved communities. Includes cultural districts, public art, and cultural tourism promotion.

- **Art Works**

www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/art-works

Deadline: February 19, 2015

Notification: November 2015

Earliest Start Date: January 1, 2016

Deadline: July 23, 2015

Notification: April 2016

Earliest Start Date: June 1, 2016

Support for nonprofit arts activities in disciplines such as folk and traditional arts, museums, and presenters (including festivals).

- **Our Town**

New guidelines will be posted by the end of December 2014

www.arts.gov/grants-organizations/our-town/introduction

Supports creative placemaking projects that contribute to the livability of communities and place the arts at their core.

- **Citizens' Institute on Rural Design**

www.arts.gov/partnership/citizens-institute-rural-design

Check back for updates on deadlines

Design/planning workshops for small communities; funded by NEA, administered by Project for Public Spaces.

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)

www.neh.gov

Supports research and learning in history, literature, philosophy, and other areas of the humanities, including museum exhibitions and other activities that may attract visitors.

Institute of Museum and Library Services

www.imls.gov

- **Museum Assessment Program**

Administered by the American Alliance of Museums

www.aam-us.org/resources/assessment-programs/MAP/apply

New information not yet released, however the summer program deadline will be July 1st, 2015 and the winter program deadline will be December 1st, 2015.

- **Conservation Assessment Program**

Administered by Heritage Preservation, Inc.

cap.heritagepreservation.org

Check website for upcoming deadlines. 2016 Applications will become available October 2015 and will be due December 1st, 2015.

Advisory Council on Historic Preservation

(Information and enforcement only; NO funding opportunities)

- **Preserve America Initiative**

www.preserveamerica.gov

National Park Service

- **Rivers Trails and Conservation Assistance**

www.nps.gov/rtca

Provides technical assistance to help citizens and community leaders plan and advance locally-led conservation projects. Deadline: **NO DATE LISTED FOR 2015**

- **Cultural Resources, Partnerships and Science**

www2.cr.nps.gov

Click on "Find a Grant" drop-down menu. Includes tribal project grant opportunities.

ArtPlace America

www.artplaceamerica.org

A collaboration of 14 national and regional foundations and six of the nation's largest banks, ArtPlace America Advances creative placemaking across the country, the practice of making arts and cultural projects central in place-based strategies to transform communities. 2015 deadlines not yet announced.

OTHER POTENTIAL SOURCES OF FEDERAL FUNDS

Agriculture, Department of (USDA)

www.usda.gov

- **Rural Development**
www.rurdev.usda.gov/home.html
 - **Extension Service (info and technical assistance)**
www.csrees.usda.gov/nea/economics/economics.cfm
 - **Regional Rural Development Centers**
www.nifa.usda.gov/nea/economics/res/rural_res_rrdcmmap.html
 - **Economic Development Administration**
www.eda.gov

 - **Environmental Protection Agency**
<http://www2.epa.gov/home/grants-and-other-funding-opportunities>
 - **Housing and Urban Development, Department of**
www.hud.gov
 - **Community Development Block Grants** (Decisions made at state or regional level)
http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/comm_planning/communitydevelopment/programs
 - **Small Business Administration**
www.sba.gov/category/navigation-structure/loans-grants
 - **Transportation, Department of**
www.dot.gov
 - **Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP)**
<http://www.fhwa.dot.gov/map21/guidance/guidetap.cfm>
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NATIONAL INFORMATION RESOURCES FOR RURAL CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURISM PROJECTS

- **Americans for the Arts**
www.artsusa.org
 - **Economic impact of the arts**
www.artsusa.org/economicimpact
- **Tourism Industries, Department of Commerce**
www.tinet.ita.doc.gov

- **US Travel (Travel and Tourism Trade Association)**
www.ustravel.org
 - **National Trust for Historic Preservation**
www.preservationnation.org
 - **Heritage Tourism**
www.preservationnation.org/information-center/economics-of-revitalization/heritage-tourism
 - **Main Street**
www.preservationnation.org/main-street
 - **Rural Heritage**
www.preservationnation.org/information-center/saving-a-place/rural-heritage
 - **Cultural heritage tourism survival toolkit**
www.preservationnation.org/information-center/economics-of-revitalization/heritage-tourism/survival-toolkit
 - **Rural Arts Blog: Art of the Rural**
www.artoftherural.org
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STATE FUNDING AND INFORMATION RESOURCES FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE TOURISM PROJECTS

- **State travel office**
www.travelok.com
otr.d.ok.gov/OkTourism/
- **State Arts Agency**
www.arts.ok.gov
- **State Humanities Council**
www.okhumanities.org
- **State Historic Preservation Office**
www.okhistory.org/shpo/shpom.htm
- **Tribal Historic Preservation Office**
www.okhistory.org/shpo/tribal106.htm