

Grant Information

Certified Local Government (CLG) Grants

CLG grants provide funding to participating city and county governments to develop and sustain an effective local preservation program critical to preserving local historic resources. Activities eligible for CLG grant funding must be tied to the statewide comprehensive preservation planning process. A copy of the Texas Historical Commission Statewide Preservation Plan can be found [here](#).

Priority for funding shall be given to those projects that directly relate to the following work categories



- Architectural, historical, archeological surveys/inventories
- Preparation of nominations to the National Register of Historic Places
- Preparation of a local preservation plan
- Writing or amending preservation ordinance
- Development of local design guidelines
- Research and development of local preservation incentive program
- Travel/training expenses for hosting a regional preservation-related workshop

Matching Requirement

All CLG grants require a local match budgeted on a one-to-one (dollar for dollar) match equal to a 50-50 ratio for the total cost of the project. Proposed projects utilizing all or partial matches of verifiable in-kind services or goods may also qualify as long as the local match equals a 50-50 ratio for the total cost of the project. Only non-federal monies may be used as a match, with the exception of Community Development Block Grants.

Who Can Apply?

Cities and county governments that have been individually "certified" by the National Park Service as CLGs and are in good standing with the CLG P are eligible to apply for CLG grants. County CLGs may apply to assist non-CLG cities within their jurisdiction. CLGs may also partner together to facilitate larger projects such as public workshops or hiring a consultant to perform services for multiple CLGs. The grants may also be sponsored by CLGs by delegating a third-

party organization such as another unit of local government, a commercial firm, a non-profit entity, or educational institution to administer the grant project.

Review Process

Applications are reviewed by an interdisciplinary panel of agency staff based on specific criteria outlined in the application manual and approved by the THC.

Source of Funding

CLG grants are provided by the Texas Historical Commission (THC), the state agency for historic preservation, annually to assist CLGs through grants from the Historic Preservation Fund of the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior. At least ten percent of this annual allocation is set aside by THC for distribution solely to CLGs.

Funding Amount

Typically, grants range from \$2,000 to \$30,000.

How to Apply

The FY23 CLG grant application period has closed. The Grant Manual and Application is made available in August of each year. Signed and complete application packages, including all supporting materials, are due in November. For more information, email the state coordinator, [Kelly Little](#), or call 512.463.7812.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PROVIDED VIA EMAIL FOR FY 2022 CLG GRANTS:

Certified Local Government (CLG) grants provide funding to participating city and county governments to develop and sustain an effective local preservation program critical to preserving local historic resources. The Texas Historical Commission (THC), the state agency for historic preservation, administers the Texas CLG grant program utilizing federal funding it receives from the U.S. Department of Interior, National Park Service (NPS) Historic Preservation Fund Program. Under this program the NPS requires that at least ten percent (10%) of Texas's annual federal allocation be subgranted exclusively to participating Certified Local Governments (CLGs). The program serves as a great resource for participating county and city governments to offset the costs of self-sustaining preservation and planning-related projects. Currently, there are 77 CLGs in Texas. Contingent on resolution of the federal budget, we anticipate approximately \$140,000 to \$150,000 will be available for this round of grants.