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GEORGIA DEPARTMENT *of* COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

GEORGIA HERITAGE GRANT PROGRAM

Since 1994, the Georgia Heritage Program has provided more than **$3.6 million** in matching grants to local governments and nonprofit organizations for **258** historic resources, such as lighthouses, cemeteries, theaters, courthouses, jails, schools, etc. Eligible projects include both development and predevelopment projects. Development projects may include bricks and mortar activities, such as roof, window and foundation repair, or brick repointing. Predevelopment projects may include construction documents, feasibility studies, historic structure reports, or preservation plans.

Since SFY 2009 the program has been solely funded through revenue provided by the historic preservation license plate. $22 out of each $35 paid for the license plates goes directly into the Georgia Heritage grant program. Over **10,000** plates have been purchased or renewed. The total amount of license plate funds awarded from 2009 to 2020 was **$256,539**, benefiting a total of 20 projects.



In order to be eligible for funding, applicants must be able to fulfill the following criteria:

- be a local government or private secular nonprofit organization
- have documentation of matching funds (equal to at least 40% of the project cost)
- ensure that all grant assisted work meets the applicable Secretary of the Interior's *Standards for Archaeology and Rehabilitation of Historic Properties*
- have properties that are listed in, or eligible for listing in, the National and Georgia Registers of Historic Places
- agree to execute a Covenant Agreement on the property to assure public access, maintenance, and compliance with preservation standards for five years (applies to development projects only)

For more information, visit our website at dca.georgia.gov or email hpgrants@dca.ga.gov.

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