Introduction to the Certified Local Government (CLG) Grant Program

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What is the CLG Program?

A local, state, and federal government partnership to empower local communities to better protect historic resources by identifying local priorities, meeting recognized historic preservation standards and providing access to financial and technical services to further the identification, evaluation, designation and protection of buildings, sites, districts, structures, and objects.
CLG Program in Texas

- Technical Assistance
- CLG Network
- Training
- Funding
CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT (CLG) COMMUNITIES IN TEXAS
ARTICLE VII. - HISTORIC PRESERVATION

Sec. 7-151. - Title.

This article shall be cited as the "Paris Historic Preservation Ordinance."

(Ord. No. 2002-033, § 5, 6-17-02)

Sec. 7-152. - Purpose.

The city council hereby declares that as a matter of public policy, the protection, preservation, and enhancement of districts and landmarks of architectural, archaeological, cultural, and historic importance is necessary to promote the economic, cultural, educational, and general welfare of the citizens of Paris. The unique identity of the City of Paris and the history of the area prior to its founding, which produced significant historic, architectural, archaeological, and cultural resources, requires, this article to:

(1) Protect and enhance the districts and landmarks which represent distinctive elements of the City's historic, architectural, and cultural heritage;
(2) Foster civic pride in accomplishments of the past;
(3) Protect and enhance the City's attractiveness to visitors and the support and stimulus to the economy thereby provided;
(4) Insure the orderly, efficient, and appropriate growth and development of the City;
(5) Promote economic stability and prosperity of the community by encouraging the most appropriate use of such significant property in the City; and
(6) Stabilize and improve property values.
CLG Training

- Regional Trainings
- Community-specific Trainings
- Travel Stipends to National Conferences
- Recorded Webinars Available at Anytime:
  www.thc.texas.gov/preserve/projects-and-programs/certified-local-government/resources
CLG Grants

Clockwise from top left: Mount Bonnell Monument Restoration, National Register Review and Update in downtown Georgetown, Lost Bayou historic resources survey in Galveston, Preservation Workshop in Denison.
CLG Grants: The Basics

- Only available to CLGs in good standing
- Approx. $150,000.00 distributed annually
- 100% Matching Grant
- Typically, 7-9 projects are funded
- CLGs have about 18 months to complete the project
- Third parties are eligible to apply on the CLG’s behalf

*Travel stipends helped 16 CLG representatives attend NAPC’s FORUM in Des Moines, IA in 2018.*
CLG Grants: Eligible Projects

Gonzales County became a CLG in 2017 and received a FY18 CLG grant for a wood window restoration pilot project at the 1885 Historic County Jail.

- National Register Nominations
- Preservation Plans
- Design Guidelines
- Historic Resources Surveys
- Educational/Training Events
- Rehabilitation
- Pre-development Projects (Architectural/Engineering Drawings and Specifications)
CLG Grants: Funding Details

- Grant funds must be matched dollar-for-dollar
- Match can be in the form of cash OR in-kind (e.g. staff time, donated services, etc.)
- Match cannot be other federal funds; however, CDBG is an eligible match
- Recipients must follow federal procurement standards when hiring a consultant
- Grant is reimbursement based

FY17 – City of Port Arthur Design Guidelines
$15,000 award
$30,186 total project cost (estimated)
CLG Grants: Timeline for FY20 Grants

September 2019
Letters of Intent Due

November 2019
FY20 CLG Grant Application Due

January 2020
THC Announces Recipients of FY20 CLG Grant

Spring 2020
THC Contracts with Grant Recipient

September 30, 2021
Project Completion Deadline

Visit the CLG website for more information and updates:
http://www.thc.texas.gov/preserve/projects-and-programs/certified-local-government/grant-information
CLG Grants: Waxahachie

FY18 – Historic Waxahachie, Inc. Historic Resources Survey Phase 2
$20,000 award
$40,000 total project cost
CLG Grants: Kingsville

FY17 - City of Kingsville
Preparation of a National Register Nomination for the Downtown District
$15,000 award
$30,000 total project cost
CLG Grants: Tyler

FY16 – City of Tyler
Historic Preservation Plan
$17,050 award
$34,100 total project cost
FY17 – City of Palestine ADA Feasibility Study for Carnegie Library $2,500 award $4,800 total project cost

Ramp Option B (Recommended)
Learn More about the CLG Program

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CERTIFIED LOCAL GOVERNMENT HANDBOOK

TEXAS HISTORICAL COMMISSION  
Updated 2018