Grant & Eligible Program Information

Vision
Historic Preservation on Guam is a public responsibility that is shared through education, cooperation, and advocacy all linking to Guam’s cultural heritage.

Mission
The Guam Preservation Trust will preserve and protect Guam’s historic sites, culture, and perspectives for the benefit of our people and our future.

GUAM PRESERVATION TRUST PROGRAMS

The following are programs intended and envisioned by the Guam Preservation Trust to preserve and protect Guam’s historic sites, culture, and perspectives for the benefit of our people and our future.

2018-2022 FUNDING PRIORITIES:
Funding priorities include, but are not limited to, projects that foster the development of preservation in the following categories:

- Capacity Building Education and Outreach
- Policy
- Capital Projects
- Community Based Projects
- Resources, Technology, Research and Development
- Archaeology

Funding Priority details can be found in the GPT 2018-2022 Strategic Plan and proposed projects will fall under the following grant programs:

I. Historic Property Documentation and Register Nomination

This program assists in the documentation of the historic significance of places, objects, structures, buildings, and sites, and in the formal process for registration and nomination for listing on the Guam and/or National Register of Historic Places. A prerequisite for eligibility to this program requires a review and determination of priority level by the Historic Resources Division, Guam Department of Parks and Recreation.

II. Public Interpretation and Presentation

This program provides assistance in the interpretation and presentation of one or more historic properties for public appreciation and enjoyment. The following are categories in the interpretation and/or presentation of historic properties:

- Events, performances, or programs in direct association with specific historic resources;
- Publication of information regarding historic resources and their associations; and
- Education tools to assist educators in presenting lessons directly related to historic properties

III. Architectural History

This program focuses on architectural research and documentation of historic structures. The following are category objectives in architectural history:

- Detailed documentation or recordation of a specific structure or set of structures guided by the Written Historical and Descriptive Data Guidelines.
- Original research in architectural practices and influences in relation to a specific structure or set of structures

IV. Repair, Restoration or Renovation of Historic Buildings and Structures

This program assists owners of historic properties or interested community organizations in the care and treatment of deteriorating historic structures and buildings.

This program involves the following standard process adopted by the Guam Preservation Trust:

- Agreement documents between GPT and the property owner.
- Restoration Planning
- Stabilization and as-built drawings from a certified architectural firm
- Restoration drawings from a certified architectural firm
- Historic documentation of the structure or building
- Covenant (agreement provisions)
- Restoration Work
A prerequisite for eligibility is that the historic structure or building must be on the listing of Historic Places. The following are requirements for this program.

- Certificate of land title
- Official property survey
- Official topography

V. Ethnography and Oral History

This program provides assistance for research on and documentation of historic places and the traditional cultural values, and practices that give these places, values, and practices significance. The research methods used in this program are those of ethnography and oral history.

VI. Archival Research

This program provides assistance in archival research that focuses on specific historic places or broad patterns of events significant in Guam's history.

VII. Archaeological Research

This program provides assistance in archaeological research, with the exception of archaeology that is required by law to complete compliance obligations imposed in development review and permitting processes. The following are archaeological research projects that are eligible for assistance.

- Compliance projects that produce excessive burdens on private, noncommercial land owners, in accordance with adopted GPT policies.
- Projects designed to complete site documentation of known but poorly described archaeological sites in areas not part of a proposed development.
- Original research that addresses topics of outstanding general significance and that is well designed and focuses on tests of specific, well-framed research questions. Such research should expand existing knowledge and be of strategic importance for interpreting aspects of prehistoric or historic culture and society.

VIII. Miscellaneous

The miscellaneous program provides for potential consideration of proposals that can be justified according to the purposes of GPT but which do not fall within the programs listed. A proposal submitted in this category must have strong justification with respect to how it advances the purposes of GPT and how it will provide a public benefit commensurate with the costs proposed.

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Grant Application Instructions

Each year the Guam Preservation Trust Board of Directors allocates grant funding with the following 2020 deadlines:

Grant Cycle 1: January 6 - 4:00 P.M. CST
Grant Cycle 2: August 5 - 4:00 P.M. CST

Note: Should the deadline fall on a weekend or holiday, the application should be submitted the following business day by 4:00 P.M. Chamorro Standard Time

All grants are discretionary and subject to the availability of funds

Eligibility Information

- Applicants may be individuals, community organizations or societies, community galleries or museums, religious or faith-based organizations, humanities councils, registered non-profit organizations, ethnic clubs, festival sponsors/organizers or educational institutions

- An individual applicant must be a U.S. Citizen and resident of Guam. Individual applicants who do not meet the above criteria may affiliate themselves with a recognized Guam-based organizations for sponsorship.

- Government entities may apply. However, such grant applications are governed by Public Laws 20-151, 21-07, and 27-89, which prevents the use of GPT funds for operational expenses.

Program Areas of Interest

Program areas of interest for this Grant Application can be found in the Guam Preservation Trust Circular 2020-A.

Cost Share

GPT requires a cost-share by each grantee either in cash or in-kind contributions for the grant proposal.

Criteria for Proposals

The following criteria will be applied in the evaluation of all grant proposals. Additional information to assist you with your project proposal may be found on the “Grant Application Checklist” within the “Grant Application” file.

CRITERION 1: Introduction and Project Overview/Summary (10pts)

This criterion provides an overview of the proposed project:

- Applicant Name
- Project Title
- Duration of the Project
- Project Goals
- Project Objectives (not activities)
- Expected Outcome(s) of the Project
- Project Location
- Introduction of the Proposed Project

CRITERION 2: Need for Assistance (25pts)

This criterion should indicate the relationship between the proposed project and the GPT program or program areas of interest applied under, and the applicant's long-range goals:

- Need for Assistance
- Applicant’s long-range goals

CRITERION 3: Project Approach (20pts)

This criterion should indicate the applicant's project strategy to include:

- Partnership planning (Community involvement in the planning of the project)
- Implementation plan
- Accessibility to the general public
CRITERION 4: Organizational Capacity (25pts)

This criterion should indicate if the applicant/organization has staff with the necessary knowledge, skills and expertise to successfully manage the project and funds if awarded:

- Applicant Organization and cooperating partner organizations
- Applicant organizational structure
- Project staff biographies and position descriptions.
- Program management capacity.
- Fiscal management capacity.
- Partnership agreements, letters of commitment, etc.

CRITERION 5: Project Impact and Evaluation (20pts)

This criterion should indicate an impact statement and an evaluation process to determine successful outcomes:

- Expected project impact.
- Evaluation and monitoring process.

Non-Criteria

- Proposals are not evaluated solely on the dollar amount requested, except when the budget total exceeds a ceiling amount established by the GPT Board.
- Proposals are not evaluated on their potential for financial gain for either GPT or the applicant.
- Proposals that were previously disapproved are not penalized upon revision and resubmission.

Reporting Requirements

Successful grantees/applicants are required to submit timely interim progress and financial reports (usually quarterly) to the Guam Preservation Trust Office. A complete final and narrative report must be submitted sixty (60) days after the project’s completion. The last increment of the grant is paid upon acceptance of the final report and a notarized affidavit of payments of debts and claims is submitted.

Grant Process

The Application review process is as follows:

Application Form
The Grant Application must be completed with supporting documentation and submitted by the grant deadline before introduction to the Board of Directors. Applications will be evaluated on the basis of this form as well as required supporting documents.

GPT Staff Review
The application is initially screened by GPT Staff for thoroughness and prepared for review by the Grant Evaluation Committee.

Introduction to Board of Directors
Each application is introduced at the board meeting and is referred to the Grants Evaluation Committee for assessment.

Grant Evaluation Committee Review
A minimum of three members of the GPT Board reviews the application and makes a recommendation for approval or disapproval to the Board.

GPT Board Meeting
Board members discuss and then vote for approval or disapproval.

Notice of Action
Applicants are informed of the GPT Board’s decision and, when a proposal is disapproved, the applicant is notified and provided with a rationale for the disapproval.

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