

# BERO ARCHITECTURE PLLC

## ARCHITECTURE SUSTAINABILITY PRESERVATION

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### SOME THOUGHTS ON PRESERVATION FUNDING

The following programs offer grants for historic preservation planning and/or construction work. Most grants are available only to nonprofit organizations and municipalities, require a cash or in-kind match, and are quite competitive. National Register, State Register, or local landmark designation is required for most programs.

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#### **New York State Council on the Arts; Contact: Kristin Herron (212) 741-7848; [www.nysca.org](http://www.nysca.org)**

##### **Facilities (Design & Planning Studies)<sup>1,7</sup>**

Work funded: design & planning  
Grant range: typically \$5,000 to \$49,500  
Application deadline: varies (refer to website)  
Award date: varies (refer to website)

##### **Facilities (Capital Projects / Fixtures & Equipment)<sup>1,7</sup>**

Work funded: capital and labor costs  
Grant range: \$5,000 to \$49,500  
Application deadline: varies (refer to website)  
Award date: varies (refer to website)

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#### **Preservation League of New York State; Contact: Tania Werbizky, (607) 272-6510, [www.preservenys.org](http://www.preservenys.org)**

##### **Preserve New York Grant Program<sup>7</sup>**

Work funded: cultural resource surveys, historic structure reports, historic landscape reports  
Funding range: \$3,000 to \$10,000  
Application deadline: around May 1 (refer to website)  
Award date: early September

##### **Technical Assistance Grant Program<sup>7</sup>**

Work funded: professional studies e.g. condition surveys, reuse/feasibility studies, structural analyses  
Funding range: \$3,000 maximum, \$500 match required  
Application deadline: spring and fall (see website)  
Award date: within six weeks

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#### **The Community Foundation; Contact: Saul Maneiro, (585) 321-4356; [www.racf.org](http://www.racf.org)**

##### **Historical Preservation Funds (includes Klos and Holahan Funds)**

Work funded: preservation, information, and education  
Funding range: \$10,000 to \$25,000  
Application deadline: varies (refer to website)  
Award date: varies

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#### **Heritage Preservation; Contact: Teresa Martinez, (202) 233-0800; [www.heritagepreservation.org](http://www.heritagepreservation.org)**

##### **Conservation Assessment Program (CAP)**

Work funded: general conservation assessment of small and mid-sized museum collections and structures  
Funding range: N/A (program provides 2-day assessment)  
Application deadline: applications accepted October to early December  
Award date: varies

##### **ReCAP**

Work funded: new assessment at least seven years after initial CAP assessment  
Funding range: N/A (program provides 2-day assessment)  
Application deadline: applications accepted October to early December  
Award date: varies

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#### **New York Landmarks Conservancy; Contact: Ann-Isabel Friedman, (212) 995-5260; [www.nylandmarks.org](http://www.nylandmarks.org)**

##### **Sacred Sites Program<sup>3</sup>**

Work funded: planning and implementation  
Funding range: up to \$10,000 (\$3,000-\$5,000 typical)  
Application deadline: Jan. 15, June 1  
Award date: 5 months later

##### **Robert W. Wilson Challenge Grant<sup>3</sup>**

Work funded: large-scale restoration  
Funding range: \$25,000 to \$100,000 (\$30-35,000 typical)  
Application deadline: Jan. 15, June 1  
Award date: 5 months later (refer to website)

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**The Landmark Society of Western New York; Contact: Caitlin Meives, (585) 546-7029; [www.landmarksociety.org](http://www.landmarksociety.org)**

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### **Preservation Grant Fund**

Work funded: Pre-construction planning (studies, reports)

Funding range: Up to \$3,500

Application deadline: varies (refer to website)

Award date: varies

**The Farash Foundation; Contact: Isobel Goldman, (585) 218-9855; [www.farashfoundation.org](http://www.farashfoundation.org)**

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### **Building Repair Emergency Fund**

Work funded: emergency building repairs; Monroe or Ontario Counties

Funding range: \$25,000 maximum

Application deadline: submit letter of inquiry any time

**National Trust for Historic Preservation; Contact: Northeast Office, (617) 523-0885; [www.preservationnation.org](http://www.preservationnation.org)**

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### **Preservation Fund<sup>4</sup>**

Work funded: consultant services, feasibility studies

Funding range: \$500 to \$5,000

Application deadline: Feb. 1, June 1, Oct. 1

Award dates: about six weeks later

### **Cynthia Woods Mitchell Fund<sup>4</sup>**

Work funded: historic interiors work

Funding range: \$2,500 to \$10,000

Application deadline: Feb. 1

Award date: around May 1

### **Johanna Favrot Fund<sup>4</sup>**

Work funded: consultant services

Funding range: \$2,500 to \$10,000

Application deadline: Feb. 1

Award date: around May 1

### **Hart Family Fund for Small Towns<sup>4</sup>**

Work funded: preservation planning, education and outreach

Funding range: \$2,500 to \$10,000

Application deadline: varies (refer to website)

Award date: Within 3 months

**NYS Office of Parks, Recreation, and Historic Preservation; [www.nysparks.state.ny.us](http://www.nysparks.state.ny.us)**

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### **Certified Local Government Subgrants<sup>5</sup>**

Work funded: historic resource studies, education, training

Funding range: \$3,000 to \$20,000

Application deadline: varies (refer to website)

Award date: several months later

Contact: Lorraine Weiss, (518) 237-8643

### **Environmental Protection Fund<sup>6</sup>**

Work funded: planning/restoration of historic properties

Funding range: up to \$1 million

Application deadline: varies (refer to website)

Award date: varies

Contact: Lynn LeFeber, (716) 354-9101 (Rochester and Finger Lakes region); for other regions see website at

<http://nysparks.com/grants/grant-programs.aspx>

### **Barn Restoration Tax Credit**

Work funded: restoration/stabilization of historic, income-producing barns

Funding range: 25% of rehabilitation costs

Application deadline: File with tax return

Contact: (518) 237-8643

**New York State Division of Housing & Community Renewal; <http://www.dhcr.state.ny.us/Programs/NYMainStreet/>**

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### **New York Main Street Program<sup>2</sup>**

Work funded: façade renovations, interior residential building upgrades, and streetscape enhancements

Funding range: \$50,000-\$500,000

Application deadline: varies (refer to website). Application is via the New York State Consolidated Funding Application (CFA).

Award date: varies (refer to website)

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### KEY:

- (1) Available to nonprofit arts/cultural organizations, Indian tribes, and municipalities. A 1 to 1 match is required.
- (2) Available to units of local government, business improvement districts, and other not-for-profit organizations that are committed to revitalizing historic downtowns, mixed-use neighborhood commercial districts, and village centers.
- (3) Only for religious properties (primary worship space only). A 1 to 1 match and listing on the National Register, State Register, or local register required.
- (4) Only members of the National Trust at the Forum or Main Street levels are eligible to apply.
- (5) Available to municipalities designated in the Certified Local Government program; refer to website.
- (6) Covenants and matching up to 50% required. Applications available through New York State Consolidated Funding Application, <http://esd.ny.gov/ConsolidatedFundingApplication.html>; contact OPRHP first for guidance.
- (7) Religious institutions are not eligible to apply.