

# Historical Sites and Museums Infrastructure Grant

## Questions and Answers

- 1) Is a 501 (c)(13) designated organization eligible for funding under grant guidelines?
  - a) **Not eligible.** An applicant must be a historical society or museum with an IRS 501 (c)(3) designation to be eligible for funding, as stated in the [Application Instructions & Guidance](#).
- 2) Is a library district eligible for capital infrastructure funding?
  - a) **Not eligible.** This grant is intended for organizations whose primary purpose is to provide historic resources to the residents of Dutchess County. The grant is not open to other non-profit organizations that are housed in historically designated buildings.
- 3) Is a historic church eligible for capital infrastructure funding?
  - a) **Not eligible.** Churches and cemeteries are not eligible to apply. Applicants must be a historical society or museum with an IRS 501 (c)(3) designation to be eligible for funding.
- 4) Is the restoration of historical headstones eligible for funding?
  - a) **Not eligible.** Cemeteries are not eligible to apply. Applicants must be a historical society or museum with an IRS 501 (c)(3) designation to be eligible for funding.
- 5) Is a 501 (c)(3) organization that restores historic gardens at a federal historic site eligible for funding?
  - a) **Not eligible.** Garden maintenance and restoration is not an eligible expense, per the [Application Instructions & Guidance](#). Further, federal and state-owned facilities are not eligible to apply; therefore, garden maintenance at these facilities is not eligible.
- 6) Will we need State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) approval if we undergo capital improvements?
  - a) **Yes, through the SEQR process only.** So depending on your action will dictate the level of review Type 1, vs. Type II or unlisted. You do not need to seek SHPO review outside of the SEQR process.