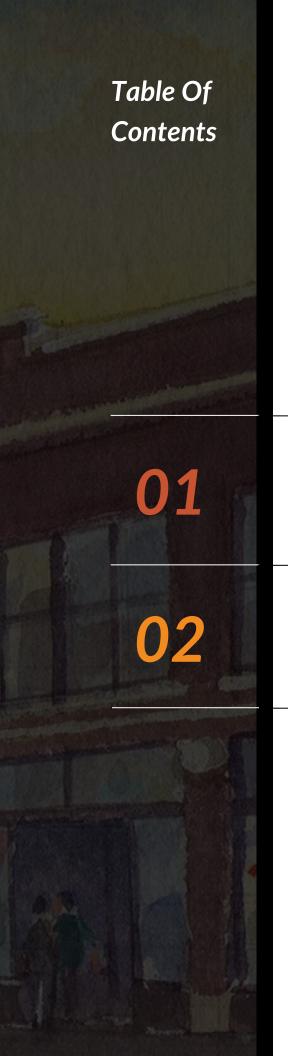


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Resources-Organizations

Certified Local Governments (CLG)

https://history.nebraska.gov/historic-preservation/certified-local-governments-clg/

Program partnership between local governments, NSHS, and NPS to help tell your community's story.

Creative Districts (CD)

https://www.artscouncil.nebraska.gov/explore/creative-districts/

The Nebraska Creative District Program utilizes the arts as an economic driver to support communities in Nebraska by telling their stories and elevating the value of the arts.

Main Street America (MSA)

https://mainstreet.org/

Main Street America leads an inclusive, impact-driven movement dedicated to reenergizing and strengthening older and historic downtowns and neighborhood commercial districts nationwide

National Register of Historic Places

https://history.nebraska.gov/historic-preservation/national-register-historic-places/

The National Register of Historic Places is a list of historic places that tell the stories of the people and events that form America's collective identity.

Nebraska State Historical Society (NSHS)

https://history.nebraska.gov/historic-preservation/

e provide a variety of programs for all people who are interested in preserving the places that help tell the many stories of Nebraska's history.

Technical Preservation Services (TPS)

https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1739/index.htm

Technical Preservation Services develops historic preservation standards and guidance on preserving and rehabilitating historic buildings, administers the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives program for rehabilitating historic buildings, and sets the Secretary of the Interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Properties.





Resources- Design

Design Education Service

https://nebraskamainstreet.org/news-events/resources/design-project-archive.html

The design education service provides case studies as an educational tool for partner communities. Illustrations are conceptual in nature only and take no specific consideration of local codes, standards, permit process, or design review.

Directory of Craftspeople

https://history.nebraska.gov/digital-resources/historic-preservation-digital-resources/ Search "Directory of Craftspeople"

The Directory of Craftspeople lists individuals or businesses that have experience in historic restoration work. It is recommended that you do your own research on the company or individual prior to hiring.

Energy Efficiency & Historic Preservation

https://nebraskamainstreet.org/news-events/resources/ "Energy Efficiency & Historic Preservation"

This guide by Rebuild Nebraska gives a broad view of the steps one must take when implementing energy efficiency projects in historic buildings. Not only does it break down the steps in detail, but serves as an organizing tool to renovating historic buildings.

National Register Listing Misconceptions

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-XQqsdJ1Tes

In this video, representatives from Heritage Ohio break down each of the Standards in a more digestible format evidence from real projects.





Resources- Design

Secretary of Interior's Standards

https://www.nps.gov/subjects/taxincentives/secretarys-standards-rehabilitation.htm

- 1. A property shall be used for its historic purpose or be placed in a new use that requires minimal change to the defining characteristics of the building and its site and environment.
- 2. The historic character of a property shall be retained and preserved. The removal of historic materials or alteration of features and spaces that characterize a property shall be avoided.
- 3. Each property shall be recognized as a physical record of its time, place, and use. Changes that create a false sense of historical development, such as adding conjectural features or architectural elements from other buildings, shall not be undertaken.
- 4. Most properties change over time; those changes that have acquired historic significance in their own right shall be retained and preserved.
- 5. Distinctive features, finishes, and construction techniques or examples of craftsmanship that characterize a historic property shall be preserved.
- 6. Deteriorated historic features shall be repaired rather than replaced. Where the severity of deterioration requires replacement of a distinctive feature, the new feature shall match the old in design, color, texture, and other visual qualities and, where possible, materials. Replacement of missing features shall be substantiated by documentary, physical, or pictorial evidence.
- 7. Chemical or physical treatments, such as sandblasting, that cause damage to historic materials shall not be used. The surface cleaning of structures, if appropriate, shall be undertaken using the gentlest means possible.
- 8. Significant archeological resources affected by a project shall be protected and preserved. If such resources must be disturbed, mitigation measures shall be undertaken.
- 9. New additions, exterior alterations, or related new construction shall not destroy historic materials that characterize the property. The new work shall be differentiated from the old and shall be compatible with the massing, size, scale, and architectural features to protect the historic integrity of the property and its environment.
- 10. New additions and adjacent or related new construction shall be undertaken in such a manner that if removed in the future, the essential form and integrity of the historic property and its environment would be unimpaired.





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Secretary of Interior's Standards- A Breakdown

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Secretary of Interior's Standards- Definitions

https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1739/secretary-standards-treatment-historic-properties.htm

Preservation

Sustaining the existing form, integrity, and materials of a historic property.

Rehabilitation

Making possible a compatible use for the property through repair, alterations, and additions while preserving features that convey the historic, cultural, and architectural values.

Restoration

Accurately depicting the form, features, and character of a property as it appeared at a particular period of time.

Reconstruction

New construction depicting the form, features, and detailing of a former structure to replicate its appearance at a specific period of time.

Training on Historic Preservation Application

https://www.nps.gov/orgs/1739/training-hpca.htm

Advanced training on historic preservation certification applications





Resources- Economic Vitality

Economic Value of Historic Buildings

https://nebraskamainstreet.org/news-events/resources/ "Value of a Building to a Main Street District"

Vacant Lot

A vacant lot in a downtown generates next to zero revenue to the public or private sectors and often costs the taxpayer to pay for maintenance and care. Empty lots are an ongoing expense liability to a community and to a downtown. Even parking lots are not a wise investment, especially in small rural communities because the cost to build and maintain those parking lots outweighs the financial return. "Free parking" is a myth.

Vacant or Underutilized Building

A vacant or underutilized building in a downtown generates little to no revenue to the public or private sectors and owners write them off as losses on their taxes. The burden of taxation is then placed on those who take care of their properties and utilize them to full capacity. Safety is also a major issue.

Cost of a Main Street Building Vacancy (from Place Economics Washington, DC)

- Loss of rent (commercial & residential)
- · Loss of property value
- Loss of property and sales taxes
- Loss of utility, telephone, & internet revenue
- Loss of loan demand, bank fees, deposits & interest
- Loss of revenue from maintenance and repairs
- Loss of revenue from printing, copying & supplies
- Loss of insurance premiums
- · Loss of legal and accounting fees
- Loss of proerty management fees
- Loss of advertising, marketing and PR expenditures
- Loss of payroll and payroll taxes
- Loss of profit & compensation to the business owner
- Loss of potential income for workers elsewhere in the community.

Fully Utilized Building

A fully utilized building in a downtown generates income, tax revenue, housing opportunities, jobs and businesses as well as spin-off businesses and activities that create vitality in the district. Not only does a rehabilitated building generate revenue but it helps give individual identity and a special character to the community increasing a sense of pride among residents. It's also a strong selling point for potential businesses and employees to locate or remain in the community.





Resources- Economic Vitality

Census Bureau

https://data.census.gov/

Get census data about your community.

Economic Impact of Historic Preservation

https://www.placeeconomics.com/resources/the-cumulative-impact-of-the-historic-preservation-fund/

This publication by Place Economics demonstrates the economic impact of the historic preservation fund.

ESRI

https://www.esri.com/en-us/home

ESRI provides tools to further understand your community, including personalities, markets, and spending potentials of residents. Free features include the tapestry segmentation tool, while others include costs.

Misconceptions About Adaptive Reuse

https://rdgusa.com/news/common-myths-about-historic-preservation-and-adaptive-reuse

Demo or Reno? RDG's publication highlights the common misconceptions about adaptive reuse of historic properties. The cost of demolition and new construction is almost always more expensive than renovatino.





Resources- Promo. & Org.

Using Storytelling to Grow Engagement

https://mainstreet.org/the-latest/news/using-storytelling-to-grow-engagement-and-reinforce-the-value-of-your-main-street-program

Examples of how to effectively communicate your efforts.

Marketing Your Space

https://rpa.org/work/reports/vacant-storefront-toolkit

This vacant storefront toolkit talks about how to activate, market, and create a business plan.

Community Partnership

https://mainstreet.org/resources/knowledge-hub/publication/community-building-and-partnerships

This toolkit helps to promote community engagement through partnerships. Must be an MSA member to access.

Community Engagement

https://mainstreet.org/resources/knowledge-hub/publication/inclusive-community-engagement-workbook

This toolkit helps to include community individuals, promoting volunteerism. Must be an MSA member to access.





Funding- Orgs. & Businesses

Allo

https://www.allocommunications.com/community-connect/

Allo provides their Community Connect service, providing affordable internet to residents and non-profits.

Community Development Block Grants (CDBG)

https://opportunity.nebraska.gov/programs/community/cdbg/

The federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program provides funding for community and economic development projects in order to encourage additional federal, state and private resource investment.

Community Development Resources (CDR)

https://cdr-nebraska.org/

CDR works to provide capital, technical assistance, and training opportunities for small businesses in the state of Nebraska.

Department of Economic Development (DED)

https://opportunity.nebraska.gov/programs/

Community, business, economic recovery, housing, incentives, talent, and resource grants.

SBA- Small Business Development Centers

https://www.sba.gov/funding-programs/grantsx

Manufacturing, Research and Development, Grants for community organization

USDA

https://www.usda.gov/farming-and-ranching/financial-resources-farmers-and-ranchers/grants-and-loans

Housing assistance, Rural Development Loan & Grant Assistance





Funding- Grants & Programs

AMEX Backing Small Business Grants

https://mainstreet.org/about/partner-collaborations/backing-small-businesses

AMEX Backing Small Business Grants support small businesses up to \$10,000.

Bricks & Mortar

https://history.nebraska.gov/historic-preservation/bricks-and-mortar-roof-grant/

The program funds tuck-pointing and roof related preservation projects.

Brownfields

https://www.epa.gov/brownfields

The program provides grants and technical assistance to assess and safely clean up and sustainable reuse contaminated properties.

Community Heart and Soul Grants

https://www.communityheartandsoul.org/seed-grants/

\$10,000 seed grant for resident-driven groups in small communities.

MicroTIF

https://opportunity.nebraska.gov/micro-tif/

Refer to your local government for more information

National Parks Service Tax Incentives for Preserving Historic Properties

https://www.nps.gov/subjects/taxincentives/index.htm

"The Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives program encourages private sector investment in the rehabilitation and re-use of historic buildings."





Funding- Grants & Programs

Nebraska Historic Tax Incentive Programs

https://history.nebraska.gov/historic-preservation/historic-tax-incentive-programs/

There are three tax incentive programs:

- 1. Nebraska Historic Tax Credit
 - a. https://history.nebraska.gov/historic-preservation/nebraska-historic-tax-credit-nhtc/
- 2. Federal Historic Tax Credit
 - a. https://history.nebraska.gov/historic-preservation/federal-historic-tax-credit/
- 3. Valuation Incentive Program
 - a. https://history.nebraska.gov/historic-preservation/valuation-incentive-program/

RCDI

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/community-facilities/rural-community-development-initiative-grants

"RCDI grants are awarded to help non-profit housing and community development organizations, lowincome rural communities and federally recognized tribes support housing, community facilities and community and economic development projects in rural areas"

Rural Business Development Grants (RDBG)

https://www.rd.usda.gov/programs-services/business-programs/rural-business-development-grants/ne

"The purpose of the program is to promote economic development and job creation projects through the awarding of grant funds to eligible entities."

Rural Workforce Housing Fund (RWHF)

https://nebraskamainstreet.org/news-events/resources/design-project-archive.html

Funds are invested in eligible projects to increase the supply and reduce costs of workforce housing.

T-Mobile Hometown Grants

https://mainstreet.org/the-latest/events/apply-now-t-mobile-hometown-grants

Towns with a population of 50,000 or less will receive project funds of up to \$50,000.



