New Hampshire’s historical and archaeological resources are among the state’s most important environmental assets. Historic preservation promotes the understanding, conservation and reuse of these resources.

Learn more about the programs and services at New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources at www.nh.gov/nhdhr

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HOW THE DIVISION OF HISTORICAL RESOURCES WORKS

Each state has a preservation program based on the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (16 UCC470f), but tailored to its own needs and organizational structure. The Division of Historical Resources (DHR) is New Hampshire’s state historic preservation office.

This program is supported by the federal Historic Preservation Fund through a matching grant administered by the National Park Service, by the State of New Hampshire, and by donated funds and services. In addition to its state functions, the DHR is also responsible for administering a number of federal preservation programs. The State Historical Resources Council, with members appointed by the Governor and Executive Council, advises the DHR and reviews various program activities.

Historic preservation is moving in new, exciting directions, partnering with others to work in areas such as community sustainability, embodied energy, lifecycle analysis, and the cultural values of natural landscapes. Contact the DHR with your questions at 603-271-3483 or at preservation@dnrc.nh.gov.

IDENTIFYING AND UNDERSTANDING THE STATE’S RESOURCES

National Register of Historic Places
New Hampshire Historic Highway Markers
New Hampshire State Register of Historic Places
Project Archaeology Program
State Conservation and Rescue Archaeology Program

WORKING WITH COMMUNITIES, AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Cemeteries and Unmarked Graves
Historic Agricultural Structures Committee
Preservation Planning Consultations
Technical Assistance Field Visits

BALANCING RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP AND GROWTH

Educational Resources for Organizations, Communities and Professionals
Preservation Easements, Covenants and Agreements
Project Consultation under State and Federal Preservation Regulations
Survey and Inventory Records, Standards and Guidelines

FUNDING REVITALIZATION PROJECTS

Conservation License Plate Grants
Certified Local Government Program
Federal Preservation Tax Credit Program
Guidance for other preservation-related grant programs and applicants.