



PUBLIC NOTICE

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Subject: Funding Opportunity: FFY 25 Maritime Preservation & Education Grants

The Office of History and Archaeology (OHA) is accepting applications for **two competitive 50/50 matching grants funded by the National Maritime Heritage Grants Program: The Maritime Heritage Preservation Grant and the Maritime Heritage Education Grant**. Eligible applicants include state, federally recognized tribal, and local governments, as well as private nonprofit organizations. **All projects must be completed by March 1, 2029.**

Funding Details: The Grants Program supports Maritime Heritage Preservation and Education projects focused on three categories of historic maritime resources: Historic Maritime Properties, Maritime Heritage Collections, and Traditional Maritime Skill.

- **Historic Maritime Properties** include maritime districts, sites, buildings, structures, objects, and archeological resources associated with naval, navigational, or commercial maritime activities, generally 50 years or older or of exceptional importance.
- **Maritime Heritage Collections** include objects, documents, and archeological materials that support the preservation and interpretation of U.S. maritime history, such as artifacts, archival records, small craft, works of art, and excavated shipwreck components.
- **Traditional Maritime Skills** include historic naval, commercial, and navigational skills passed down through generations—often manual, craft-based, or specialized techniques that are no longer widely practiced or taught in modern training programs.
- Applications are reviewed by the Alaska Historical Commission and grants are administered by OHA.

Estimated Funding Available:

- **Maritime Heritage Preservation** - \$547,547
 - **Federal Share Request:** Minimum \$15,000; Maximum \$75,000
- **Maritime Heritage Education** - \$232,750
 - **Federal Share Request:** Minimum \$10,000; Maximum \$50,000

Application Deadline:

Applications must be received by **12:00 p.m. (noon) on Friday, September 4, 2026.**

The FFY25 Maritime Heritage Education & Preservation application packages are available online at: <https://dnr.alaska.gov/parks/oha/designations/grants.htm>

Questions?

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