



SMALL MATCHING GRANTS

For Florida Main Streets



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The Division of Historical Resources grants state funds to assist historic preservation activities authorized by section 267.0617, F.S.

- Small Matching Grants provide assistance of up to \$50,000 (match requirement is 1:1 unless within a designated Florida Main Street, REDI or CLG in good standing).
- Your grant amount must be spent and evidence of product submitted and approved within one fiscal year (July 1 - June 30).
- Applications are solicited the year previous to the availability of funds and are dependent on an appropriation from the Legislature.
- Funds are disbursed as fixed price payments.

The Small Matching Grants Program is governed by

- Chapter 267.0617, *Florida Statutes*
- Chapter 1A-39, *Florida Administrative Code*
- Small Matching Grant Guidelines

The Guidelines can be found on the grants webpage

<https://dos.fl.gov/historical/grants/small-matching-grants/>

Applications can be submitted at

- [Dosgrants.com](http://dosgrants.com)

Types of Small Matching grant projects

- Survey
- Historical Markers
- Nominations to the National Register of Historic Places
- Wayfinding Projects
- Planning

SURVEY

Survey projects identify, document, and evaluate historic and archaeological resources in Florida:

- Historic resource surveys shall be conducted for the purpose of identifying, documenting, and defining historic districts or zones, or for updating previous surveys;
- Archaeological survey projects are limited to Phase I surveys designed to locate, identify, and assess the significance of previously unrecorded archaeological sites or to better define the outer boundaries of recorded sites.

HISTORICAL MARKERS

Historical Marker projects to assist eligible applicants with the acquisition of state Historical Markers for which texts (monolingual or bilingual) have been approved by the State Historical Marker Council prior to applying for the grant. The historic marker shall not be purchased until the grant is awarded and the Grant Award Agreement is executed (awards up to \$1,800 for single-sided markers and up to \$2,000 for double sided markers up to half the cost of the marker).

NOMINATIONS

Projects that prepare a nomination to the National Register of Historic Places for an individual Historic Property or a nomination for a historic or archaeological district or a thematic or multiple resource group nomination. The resource(s) or proposed district must have been determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places by the Division prior to applying for the grant.

WAYFINDING

Wayfinding projects to plan, design, and place wayfinding signage, and/or to print directional maps and rack cards that identify and direct the public to historic sites and districts. Only active Florida Main Streets and Certified Local Governments in good standing are eligible to apply for Wayfinding projects.

PLANNING

Planning projects necessary to guide the long-term preservation of historic resources or a historic district, including preparation of historic structure reports, condition assessments, architectural drawings and construction documents, predictive modeling, preparation of preservation or management plans, the digitization of municipal and county land records (such as deeds and permitting records) and the preparation of design or preservation guidelines.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

- Documentation of non-profit status
- Substitute W-9 (this is not the federal W-9)
- Letters of Support from community members and state representation
- Relevant photographs showing project or project area
- A representative photograph to be used to represent your project during discussion at a public meeting
- Project team resumes or curricula vitae
- Historical Marker support documents (marker projects only)
- National Register eligibility determination documents (for National Register Nomination projects only)
- Need for project (explain and document the need for the proposed project or activity)
- Local protection: provide copies of any ordinances or other documents that protect the site
- Owner concurrence letter (if applicable)
- Optional materials

LIST OF SCORING CRITERIA

A. Criteria relating to project site/area

- Historic significance (10 pts.)
- Endangerment (10 pts.)
- Appropriateness of project proposal (10 pts.)

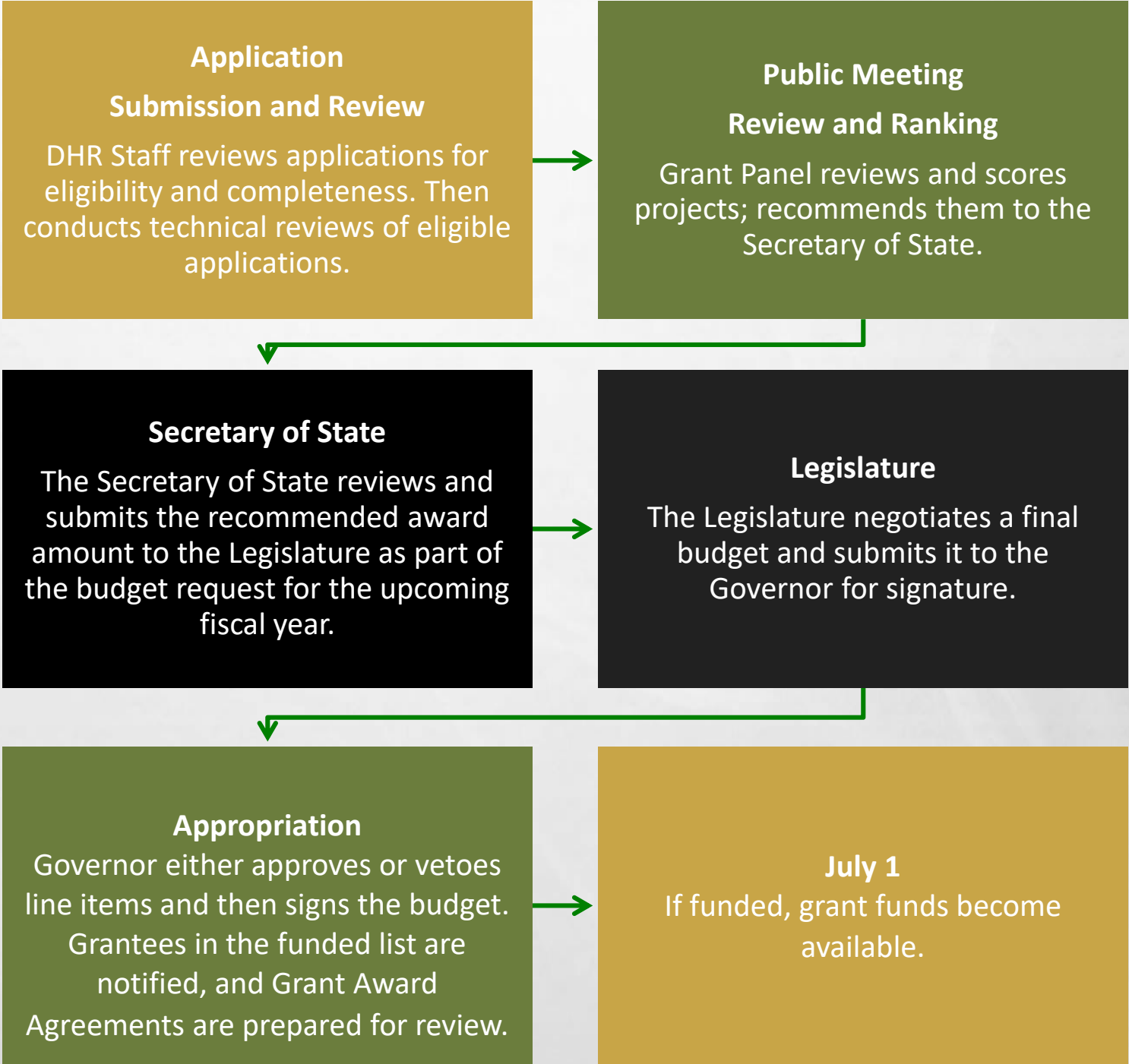
B. Criteria relative to applicant

- Administrative capabilities (10 pts.)
- Adequate financial resources (10 pts.)
- Availability of professional resources (10 pts.)

C. Criteria related to public benefit

- Compatibility with statewide historic preservation priorities (10 pts.)
- Educational potential (10 pts.)
- Economic benefit (10 pts.)
- Public use or benefit (10 pts.)

APPLICATION TIMELINE



HELPFUL LINKS

- Application Website:
 - [Dosgrants.com](http://dosgrants.com)
- Program Information Page:
 - <https://dos.fl.gov/historical/grants/small-matching-grants/>
- National Register Program Information:
 - <https://dos.fl.gov/historical/preservation/national-register/>
- Historic Marker Program Information:
 - <https://dos.fl.gov/historical/preservation/historical-markers/>
- Upcoming Events Page- “How to Apply” Webinar Registration
 - <https://dos.fl.gov/historical/meetings-and-events/upcoming-events/>

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