



**Mississippi Gulf Coast National Heritage Area  
Heritage Community Grant  
Request for 2019-2020 Funding Application**

*\*Please note that the Mississippi Gulf Coast National Heritage Area (hereinafter referred to as MS Coast NHA) will not award funding to any sub-recipient with an open Heritage Community Sub-Grant Agreement. Previous sub-recipient must be in good standing and project must be closed before being eligible to apply for next round of funding.*

**Project Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Location:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(List the county or counties where the project will take place)

**Project Category:** \_\_\_\_\_ *Historical* \_\_\_\_\_ *Cultural* \_\_\_\_\_ *Natural Resources* \_\_\_\_\_ *Recreation*

**Applicant /Organization:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip Code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Website:** \_\_\_\_\_

**U.S. Congressional District #** \_\_\_\_\_ **MS Senate District #** \_\_\_\_\_ **MS House District #** \_\_\_\_\_  
(To find your federal and state district numbers ([http://www.ms.gov/State/Government Branches](http://www.ms.gov/State/Government/Branches) )

**Dun & Bradstreet (DUNS) Number:** \_\_\_\_\_  
(To find your DUNS "Data Universal Numbering System" Number) ( <https://fedgov.dnb.com/webform/index.jsp> )

**W-9:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Project Manager:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Telephone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Fax Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Are there other organizations collaborating on this project?** Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_\_

**If yes, which organizations:**

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**Brief Project Summary (not to exceed 250 characters):**

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**Amount Requested from MS Coast NHA \$** \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Must equal total amount requested)*

**Cash Match \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **In-Kind Match \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Amount of Matching Contributions \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Project Cost \$** \_\_\_\_\_  
*(Amount requested plus the amount of match being provided)*

**How many months will the project take to complete?** \_\_\_\_\_  
*(The maximum grant period is twelve (12) months)*

**Proposed Start Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Target Completion Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**\*The application must be signed by two authorized officials of the applicant organization.**

**Statement of Assurances**

The information provided in this application is correct and complete. By signing below, we affirm that we are authorized representatives and have authority to act on behalf of the organization applying for this Heritage Community Grant from the MS Coast NHA.

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Title**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Signature**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Printed Name**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Title**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Date**

## ***Project Narrative***

Please attach a completed project narrative to the 2019-2020 funding application, not to exceed four pages.

### ***Project Narrative***

The project narrative should explain what the project will accomplish and how this project is linked to the MS Coast NHA Management Plan. The plan can be downloaded at <http://msgulfcoastheritage.ms.gov/> under the 'About MGCNHA' tab. It must also include the below sub-categories:

NOTE: If photographs or drawings will help to explain the project, they may be attached, but are not required.

***1. Project Narrative: Provide a detailed description of your project. Be sure to include the following:***

- a. Detailed project description
- b. The need for the project.
- c. The goals for the project.
- d. The location for the project
- e. Explain how it is going to be implemented.
- f. The period of performance.

***2. Anticipated Benefits:***

- a. How will the project benefit the public?
- b. How will the project be shared with the public?
- c. Do you expect to see economic, social, community, and/or quality of life impacts?
- d. Will this project create jobs?
- e. What happens after the grant is completed? Will the project be sustained? If so, how do you plan to sustain it?
- f. How do you plan to evaluate the success of the project? How will you know whether you are successful?

***3. Partner Organizations Involved in Project (if any):***

- a. Explain briefly the role and contribution of each listed partner organization involved in the project.

**4. Project timeline/milestones:**

Outline a timetable listing measurable goals for each quarter of the project. Be sure to include target dates for major project elements or deliverables.

<b><i>First Quarter (Jan.-Mar.)</i></b>
<b><i>Second Quarter (Apr.-June)</i></b>
<b><i>Third Quarter (July-Sept.)</i></b>
<b><i>Fourth Quarter (Oct.-Dec.)</i></b>

**5. Outreach and Education Requirements**

- a. How do you plan to recognize the project and to acknowledge the support of the Mississippi Gulf Coast National Heritage Area (if a grant is awarded)?
  
- b. How will the project be shared with the public?

**6. Project Budget**

Attach the project budget form showing key areas of requested expenditures. Describe your management and staffing plan for the project. If you are seeking funds for project administration, please explain how those funds will be utilized.

NOTE: Documentation of efficient management and financial ability to complete the project must be provided with the application.

**Project Budget Form**

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This grant is a 1:1 match. Therefore, this figure must be equal to or greater than the grant amount you are requesting for your project.

The match may consist of real dollars or in-kind (non-cash) contributions of labor, services, materials, equipment, supplies, and or travel expenses that are necessary and reasonable for the accomplishment of project objectives. Grantees must be able to produce records of in-kind contributions.

Provide a detailed project budget using the following tables. All included estimated costs must be reasonable and necessary to complete the project objectives.

Be sure to list your requested indirect cost rate in the Indirect Cost Rate row. Indirect is limited to 10% unless your organization has a current negotiated indirect cost rate with a Federal agency. All equipment costs must be excluded from your calculation of indirect costs.

Please check your math before you finalize the budget form and make sure the totals correspond to the totals listed on the Grant Application.

<i>2019-2020 Heritage Community Grant Project Budget Form</i>			
<i>Itemized Project Cost</i>	<i>Amount Requested</i>	<i>Recipient Match</i>	<i>Total Project Cost</i>
<i>Personnel:</i>			
<i>Volunteer:</i>			
<i>Professional Services/Contractual:</i>			
<i>Equipment/Supplies/Space/Equipment Rental:</i>			
<i>Travel:</i>			
<i>Other Expenses:</i>			
<i>Sub-Total cost from each column</i>			
<i>Indirect Rate @</i>	<i>Indirect Cost</i>		
<i>Total Project (Direct and Indirect Cost)</i>			

***MS Coast NHA Heritage Community Grant Application Checklist***

You should use this checklist to confirm that your application is complete. Incomplete applications will not be considered for funding. Submit one (1) copy of each of the below documents and you do not need to submit this page with your application.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Grant Application Form
- \_\_\_\_\_ Project Narrative
- \_\_\_\_\_ Project Budget Form
- \_\_\_\_\_ Project Timeline
- \_\_\_\_\_ Letter documenting the amount of matching contributions to the project
- \_\_\_\_\_ Documentation of the qualifications of key project personnel
- \_\_\_\_\_ A copy of your organization's annual budget (non-profit organizations only)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Letters of support (these may be mailed separately)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Copy of IRS letter confirming tax-exempt status (non-profit organizations only)
- \_\_\_\_\_ A copy of your organization's most recently completed year-end financial statement. (Audited statements are preferred)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Annual audit if your organization has expended \$750,000.00 or more in federal funds (cumulatively) during a fiscal year.

***Submitting your application***

The deadline for submitting a grant application is **Monday, March 16, 2020**. If mailed, the application must be postmarked by that date. If delivered, the application must be received in our office by the close of business at 5:00 p.m. on that date. Submission can be emailed to [Heritage@dmr.ms.gov](mailto:Heritage@dmr.ms.gov) and must be received by close of business at 5:00 p.m. on that date.

You must submit a completed printed copy of your application and all supporting documents. Print or type your application on 8 ½ by 11 white paper with one (1) inch side margins. Font needs to Times New Roman size 12. You may use a paper clip or a binder clip to hold your application together, **but please do not use staples.**

Letters of support are preferred to be included with the application or can be mailed separately but must be postmarked by the application deadline of **Monday, March 16, 2020**.

***Application and letters of support should be addressed to:***

**MS Coast National Heritage Area  
Attention: Joyce Hart  
Mississippi Department of Marine resources  
1141 Bayview Avenue  
Biloxi, MS 39530**