Native historic preservation grants now available from Park Service

Applications for National Park Service "Historic Preservation Fund Grants to Indian Tribes, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians" are now available for the 1997 funding cycle.

These grants support Alaska Native historic preservation programs and promote the continuation of living cultural traditions.

This year proposals will be considered in the following categories: Locating and Identifying Cultural Resources; Preservation Planning; Oral History and Documenting Cultural Traditions; and Education and Training for Building a Historic Preservation Program.

Grant requests can be made for

projects ranging in cost from \$5,000 to \$50,000.

To qualify, applicants must be Federally-recognized Tribes or Alaska Native groups. Project proposals need to include signed Tribal Resolutions. In 1997, a total of \$900,000 is available for tribal projects.

Applications must be postmarked no later than Jan. 31, 1997. Contact Program Manager Linda Cook at 257-2658 with questions and requests for a copy of the application and guidelines.

Applications are also available through the Tribal Preservation Program's Web Page aparter://www.cr.nps.gov/ppb/ tribal/index.htm.