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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF AVAILABILITY OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION FUND SUB-GRANTS**

**REQUEST FOR APPLICATIONS  
GENERAL SOLICITATION NOTIFICATION**

The Virgin Islands State Historic Preservation Office (VISHPO) announces the availability of grant funds from the Federal Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) for activities consistent with priorities established for historic and cultural resource preservation within the Territory of the United States Virgin Islands. The VISHPO HPF subgranting program is made possible through an annual appropriation awarded by the National Park Service's Historic Preservation Fund.

Eligible grant activities include National Register Nominations for historic sites on St. Thomas and the preparation of a National Register District Nomination for the town of Cruz Bay, St. John USA, as previously identified in the Cruz Bay town historic district nomination background report. Also, restoration ("bricks and mortar") projects are also eligible for properties either listed on the National Register, or eligible to be listed. All HPF-assisted activities must meet professional standards set by the Secretary of the Interior for the treatment of historic resources. Project funding decisions are made by the VISHPO, not the National Park Service.

The grant opportunity is being funded by carryover funds from the HPF FY 2013 program funds to the VISHPO. Subgrant funding will be awarded on a competitive basis as grant funds allow. Eligible applicants for HPF subgrant awards include nonprofit organizations, private individuals (as contractors to the VISHPO), institutions of higher learning, and other agencies of the Government of the United States Virgin Islands. Applicants from all three islands are encouraged to apply.

Applications and consultant proposals in the form of project outlines and description of products, not to exceed 5 pages, with a separate attached budget page are to be submitted in writing to:

Virgin Islands State Historic Preservation Office  
1640 Dronningens Gade 71&72A  
Charlotte Amalie, St. Thomas, 00802

by Friday, December 4, 2015. No late applications will be considered. For further information regarding the grant process, please call 776-8605.

This program receives Federal financial assistance for identification and protection of historic properties. Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, the U.S. Department of the Interior prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, or disability in its federally assisted programs. If you believe you have been discriminated against in any program, activity, or facility as described above, or if you desire further information regarding any discriminatory acts, please write to: Office for Equal Opportunity, National Park Service, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. 20240