



Advocacy Alert!

Action Needed Today to Fully Fund the Historic Preservation Fund!

House Natural Resources committee Chairman, Rep. Nick Rahall (D-WV), recently released a new discussion draft version of H.R.3534, the Consolidated Land, Energy and Aquatic Resources Act (CLEAR Act) which among other things, **includes full and permanent funding for the Historic Preservation Fund (\$150 million guaranteed annually until 2040)**. The legislation would also provide \$900 million in full and permanent funding for the Land and Water Conservation Fund.

The HPF provides funding for State Historic Preservation Offices (SHPO) across the country. In addition, the HPF provides funding for Maryland's Certified Local Government Subgrant Program which supports local government research, survey, planning and educational activities involving architectural, archeological or cultural resources. **Full, permanent funding of the HPF would make a dramatic, positive difference for preservation efforts in Maryland, reaching into every community in the state.** [Click here for more on the efforts to fully fund the HPF.](#)

Take Action!

Contact the Maryland representatives on the Natural Resources committee and let them know the importance of passing full and permanent funding for the Historic Preservation Fund. **Contact their offices by Wednesday, July 14th when the bill is scheduled to be marked up in Committee.**

Representative Frank Kratovil (District 1) - contact Sean McMorro at sean.mcmorrow@mail.house.gov or by phone at 202-225-5311.

Representative John Sarbanes (District 3) - contact Jim Notter at jim.notter@mail.house.gov or by phone at 202-225-4016.

Thank you,
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