

National Trust for Historic Preservation

NATIONAL TRUST FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION MIDWEST REGIONAL OFFICE

FACTS

What Is It?

The Midwest Regional Office is one of seven regional and field offices established by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, the leader of the national preservation movement. The states of the Midwest Region are: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Ohio and Wisconsin.

What Is Its Purpose?

The Midwest Regional Office of the National Trust is dedicated to assisting and empowering community preservationists in their efforts by providing:

- Information and direct assistance
- Organizational development
- Advocacy guidance
- Financial assistance

What Programs Are Offered Regionally?

The Midwest Regional Office of the National Trust offers programs designed to provide community organizations with development guidance and expertise. They include:

- Midwest Preservation Conference each spring, which highlights timely regional issues such as neighborhood conservation and development, rural development, heritage areas, and cultural landscapes.
- Preservation Leadership Training Workshops.
- Community Organization Effectiveness Program (COEP), which helps participating organizations assess present attitudes on preservation, plan for the future and, in so doing, increase their effectiveness.
- Goals and Objectives Workshops, which help organizations formulate concrete short and long-term goals as well as develop an annual work program.
- Workshops on topics such as the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act, the Heritage Tourism Initiative, and the National Trust's Main Street Program.
- Working closely with National Trust Advisors, statewide preservation organizations, and state historic preservation offices (SHPOs) to identify issues, define roles and responsibilities, build support, and develop financial resources to achieve preservation goals.

What Technical Assistance Does It Offer?

The Midwest Regional Office of the National Trust provides:

- Information and advice through written and telephone correspondence.
- Two weeks of on-site assistance to grassroots organizations in each state.
- Access to a network of experts who can help solve complex preservation problems on a fee-for-service basis.

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