WHAT IS THE HISTORIC HOMEOWNERS TAX CREDIT PROGRAM?

Homeowners who invest in the preservation of their houses may be eligible for Wisconsin income tax credits of 25% of approved costs.

ANNUAL STATE-WIDE AVERAGE

$6.4M ➤ IN TOTAL PROJECT COSTS
$1.28M ➤ RETURNED TO HOMEOWNERS IN TAX CREDITS

SAVE MONEY THROUGH TAX CREDITS TO PRESERVE YOUR HOME

Contact the preservation architect for your community.

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HOW DO I APPLY?

1. Make sure your house is historic by visiting the Property Record Search at wisconsinhistory.org.
2. Mail the application to WHS before you start work. Applications can be found at wisconsinhistory.org/taxcredits.
3. After you receive approval from WHS – start your work.
4. Notify WHS when the work is complete.

Have a question about how to care for a historic house? Visit our website at wisconsinhistory.org/preserve-your-building to browse over 100 articles.

WHAT WORK QUALIFIES FOR TAX CREDITS?

WHAT TYPE OF WORK IS ELIGIBLE?
- Exterior Painting
- Roof Replacement
- Exterior Brick & Stone Repairs
- Window & Door Repairs
- Structural Elements
- Porch Repairs
- Replace HVAC
- Replace Electrical
- Replace Plumbing
- Structural Elements

WHY SHOULD I PRESERVE MY HOUSE?

Historic Preservation is intrinsically important for its ability to enhance community pride and to create a sense of rootedness and belonging. Through a connection with history, preservation can improve the quality of life and livability of communities. It also stimulates reinvestment and contributes to our economy, creating jobs in construction, architecture, interior design, engineering, real estate, accounting, tourism and more.

Additional information can be found online at wisconsinhistory.org/taxcredits.