



Greene County Heritage Tourism GRANT PROGRAM

PURPOSE

The Greene County Heritage Tourism Grant Program, administered through the Greene County Tourist Promotion Agency, supports programs, events, and initiatives that commemorate the 250th anniversary of the United States and directly enhance the Greene County, Pennsylvania's appeal as a tourism, convention, or travel destination.

Grants will fund projects that:

- Attract visitors to Greene County, Pennsylvania.
- Support community engagement and heritage.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Applicants must operate or serve within Greene County, PA and fall into one of the following categories:

- Nonprofit organizations (501(c)3 or similar)
- Municipal governments or departments
- For-profit businesses (with a demonstrated tourism benefit)

FUNDING AMOUNTS

- Minimum grant request: \$250
- Maximum grant request: \$2,500

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

Projects must meet **all** the following criteria:

1. **Tourism-Focused:** Must be directly and substantially related to tourism, or to business, convention, or meeting travel within the county.
2. **Destination Development:** Projects should demonstrate a clear and measurable contribution to strengthening Greene County as a destination for tourism, heritage travel, and special events. Priority will be given to initiatives that increase visitation, extend visitor stays, or promote the county's unique assets.
3. **Local Match Requirement:** A minimum 25% local match is required. This may be:
 - Cash, or
 - In-kind contributions (e.g., donated labor, services, materials).

KEY DATES

- Application Opens: Monday, January 5, 2026
- Deadline to Apply: 1pm on Monday, February 2, 2026
- Award Notification: by Thursday, March 12, 2026
- Project Completion Deadline: December 31, 2026

INELIGIBLE USE OF FUNDS

1. General operating expenses
2. Signage promoting a specific private entity at its own site
3. Projects completed prior to award notification
4. Political activities
5. Purchase of alcoholic beverages

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

All applicants must submit:

1. Completed Application Form
2. Project Narrative (max 3 pages):
 - Description of the project
 - Tourism-related goals
 - Target audience and anticipated impact
 - Partnership with Greene County Tourist Promotion Agency (if applicable)
3. Project Budget (including 25% match source and amount)
4. Proof of Eligibility:
 - IRS 501(c)3 letter (nonprofits)
 - Municipal letterhead or resolution (government)
 - Business license or registration (businesses)

EVALUATION CRITERIA

Applications will be reviewed based on:

Criteria	Weight
Alignment with 250th Celebration	30%
Potential to Attract Visitors	25%
Community or Regional Impact	20%
Feasibility and Budget Clarity	15%
Match Contribution	10%

DISCLAIMERS & CONDITIONS

- All projects must comply with the guidelines outlined above.
- The Greene County Tourist Promotion Agency reserves the right to partially fund, reject, or request modifications to any application.
- Awardees must submit a final report within 60 days of project completion. The report must include documentation of project outcomes and itemized receipts for all expenses paid with grant funds.



QUESTIONS?

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APPLICATION SUBMISSIONS:

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