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Welcome!

LCHIP offers Grant Orientation workshops each year and requires that someone from each applicant organization attend within five years of the application. Attending as close as possible to the year applying is especially important for first time applicants. This year there will be separate Zoom workshops for historic and natural resource applicants.

The LCHIP Historic Resources Grant Orientation workshop is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. April 29. Find the workshop registration information [here](#).

The LCHIP Natural Resources workshop is scheduled for the morning of May 5 along with other government funding sources for natural resource conservation. Watch the [LCHIP website](#) for details and registration information as this event evolves.

A bill ([HB 621](#)) to divert 10% of the fees that support LCHIP grants to the county registries has been “retained” in the legislature, meaning it will be dealt with later. Another bill ([SB 146-part VII](#)) to adjust LCHIP’s legislated priorities is still under discussion in committee.

The Division of Historical Resources is offering a “virtual office hours” about the state and national registers of historic places at noon on April 2, 2021. Inclusion on one of those lists is a requirement before applying for LCHIP funds. Event details can be found [here](#) and you can contact Megan Rupnick , Megan.Rupnik@dncr.nh.gov, at DHR for more information about this helpful event.

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Protecting New Hampshire's Natural, Historic, and Cultural Resources

Conservation Partnerships benefit the Community and Environment

Mink Brook Community Forest created in Hanover

A 2020 LCHIP grant has helped create the new 254-acre Mink Brook Community Forest in Hanover which will provide miles of year-round recreational trails for the 34,000+ people who live and work within three miles of the property. [Community forests](#) provide multiple benefits such as outdoor recreation, habitat protection, clean drinking water and periodic timber revenue. The

of cottage-style homes targeted for entry level homeowners to help address a critical housing shortage in the region.

project is the culmination of a decade-long effort led by [The Trust for Public Land](#) in partnership with the [Hanover Conservancy](#) and the town of Hanover. The [Hanover Conservation Commission](#) is developing a management plan for the property with support from the [Northern Forest Center](#) and community stakeholders.

Separate from the LCHIP grant but of great community importance, five adjacent acres will host a small cluster



LCHIP staff and review panelists on a site visit to Mink Brook Community Forest

Rehabilitating Historic Buildings During a Pandemic

LCHIP recipients overcome dual challenges

Rehabilitating historic buildings during a pandemic is an extra-complicated activity as is operating the buildings during both rehabilitation and pandemic. Two LCHIP-assisted projects involving community landmarks demonstrate the value of being flexible. In Rindge, an LCHIP grant helped the [Ingalls Memorial Library](#) to re-point crumbling mortar and to reconstruct an ailing chimney. Fortuitously, the building's design and layout allowed it to remain open for most of the year, with reduced occupancy limits to allow for ample social distancing.

Meanwhile, in North Hampton, an LCHIP award contributed to repairs to the roof, window, and foundation at [Centennial Hall](#). The arts and community organizations that use the building have transitioned to remote or hybrid activities, or accepted limited in-person use by appointment only.

LCHIP salutes the many LCHIP-supported historic resources who have risen to the challenges of the pandemic with creativity and flexibility!



Ingalls Memorial Library, Rindge



Centennial Hall, North Hampton, Courtesy FOCH



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Header photo: *March is Women's History Month and the Chamberlin House, recipient of two LCHIP grants, is home to the Women's Club of Concord. Since 1918 the house has been a symbol of the historic role women have played in the city from organizing the first Red Cross Chapter, to organizing the Friends of Concord Landmarks (Concord Heritage Committee) and The Friends of White Park to preserve the city's foremost park.*

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