

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Congressional District March 2016

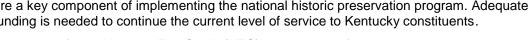
Rep. Brett Guthrie

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An agency of the Kentucky Tourism, Arts and Heritage Cabinet, KHC is responsible for the identification, protection and preservation of prehistoric resources and historic buildings, sites and cultural resources. In partnership with the federal government, KHC carries out the primary functions of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA). These include finding and documenting America's historic places, making nominations to the National Register of Historic Places, administering federal and state rehabilitation tax credit programs, reviewing impacts of federal projects as mandated through Section 106 of the NHPA, working with local governments and preservation commissions, and conducting preservation education and planning.

#### **National Preservation Advocacy Week**

- Support reauthorization of the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF). The fund does not use taxpayer dollars, and goes toward allocating, protecting and utilizing historic resources.
- Support requested HPF funding of \$55 million for State Historic Preservation Offices (SHPOs).
- SHPOs were established in 1966 with passage of the National Historic Preservation Act and are a key component of implementing the national historic preservation program. Adequate funding is needed to continue the current level of service to Kentucky constituents.



- Support the federal Historic Tax Credit (HTC) through tax reform.
- Thank you for serving as a member of the Historic Preservation Caucus!

## **Kentucky Main Street Program**

- Supports preservation and reuse of each community's architecturally and historically significant buildings
- Provides structure for a community-driven approach
- Encourages and benefits independently owned small businesses

In 2015, Kentucky Main Street programs reported **\$76,126,662 of total investment** representing \$42,718,614 of private investment matched by \$33,408,048 in public improvements. Statewide, the program generated:

- 1,138 new jobs created in Main Street districts
- 250 new businesses created
- 358 new housing units in downtowns
- 238 building rehabilitation projects completed
- \$36,236,456 invested in historic building rehabilitation



Heart of Danville Main Street

#### Federal Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit

In 2015, Kentucky ranked 9th nationally utilizing the federal credit, with 28 successfully completed projects generating investment of \$34,586,413.

According to "The Federal Historic Tax Credit: Transforming Communities," a report prepared by PlaceEconomics, from 2001 through 2013, Kentucky logged a total of 244 completed projects utilizing the federal credit, leveraging **\$390,349,973** in development investment from \$64,798,096 in credits.

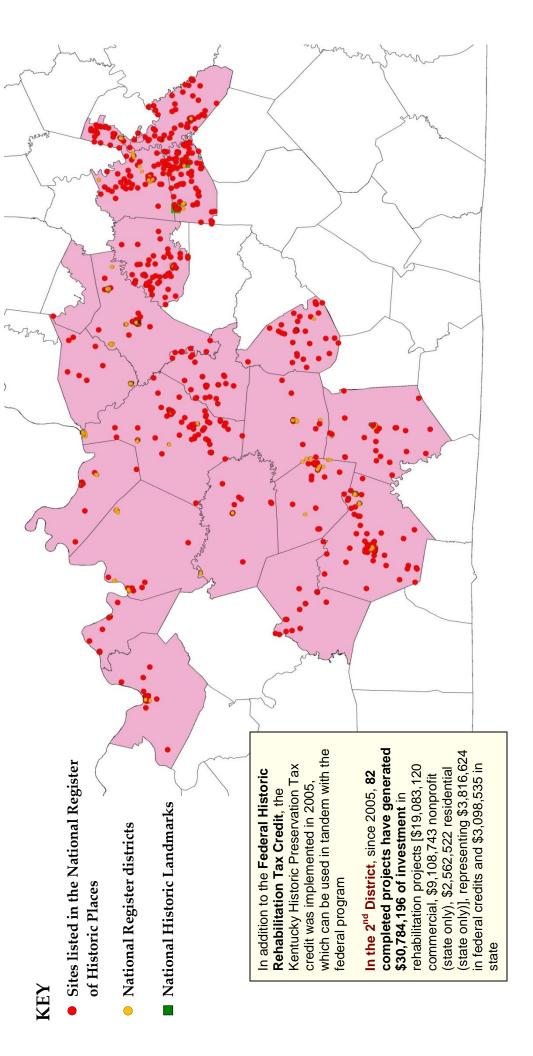
## **Historic Preservation Fund**

Site Identification: The Kentucky Historic Resources Inventory is the written and photographic record of all known historic buildings, structures and sites in all 120 counties. In 2016, the database will surpass 100,000 sites.

National Register of Historic Places: Kentucky ranks 4<sup>th</sup> among states in the number of listings, with 3,400+ districts, sites and structures encompassing more than 42,000 historic features. National Register-listed sites qualify for the Federal Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit.

Certified Local Governments: Designates city and county governments that enact local historic preservation ordinances. Kentucky currently has 23 CLG communities.





2<sup>nd</sup> District Kentucky Main Street Program communities are Bardstown, Danville, Harrodsburg, Mt. Washington, Perryville and Springfield 2<sup>nd</sup> District Kentucky Main Street Program communities reported \$21,941,972 of total investment in 2015, representing \$12,371,440 of private investment matched by \$9,570,532 in public improvements, and including 274 new jobs created, 28 new businesses created and 48 downtown buildings rehabilitated

Since its founding in 1979, the Kentucky Main Street Program has generated \$3.9 billion in public-private investment throughout the Commonwealth

#Preservation50: Commemorating the 50th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Kentucky Heritage Council 1966-2016 2<sup>nd</sup> District Certified Local Government communities are Bardstown, Bowling Green, Danville, Horse Cave and Owensboro

