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From: Faculty Research Development Office Office of the Vice President for Research

Subject: Limited Competition: NEH Held in Trust: A National Convening on Conservation and Preservation

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UNM Researchers,

The National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)'s Division of Preservation and Access is offering a cooperative agreement to evaluate current national infrastructure in conservation and make recommendations to strengthen preservation of cultural heritage for present and future generations. The recipient will: 1) plan and host a national convening to foster dialogue surrounding the current state, challenges, and future goals for the field of conservation and preservation, and 2) publish and disseminate a report establishing a national strategic vision for preservation and related resources for conservators, allied professionals, educators, professional organizations, thought leaders, and the general public. This program is aligned with <u>"A More Perfect Union": NEH Special Initiative Advancing Civic Education and Commemorating the Nation's 250th Anniversary</u>.

Eligible organizations include U.S. nonprofit organizations, institutes of higher education, state and local governmental agencies, and federally recognized Native American tribal governments. Applicants **must** have proven subject matter expertise in conservation and preservation, and experience in planning and implementing national convenings.

The NEH will award one Cooperative Agreement of up to \$500,000 for up to 3 years. This Cooperative Agreement does not require a cost share/match; however, applicants may use voluntary cost sharing for projects in which the total costs exceed the amount awarded by NEH. Complete program details can be found at: <u>https://www.neh.gov/grants/preservation/held-in-trust</u>.

Proposals to the sponsor are due December 18, 2019.

**This is a limited competition. Each institution is limited to <u>one</u> proposal. If you are interested in submitting a proposal, please send a statement of interest with a tentative project title, brief description (200 words), and the names and organizations of all perspective personnel by <u>noon, November 27, 2019</u> via e-mail to <u>limited@unm.edu</u> with the subject line: NEH\_Trust – your name. Based on the e-mail responses received, the Limited Competitions Management Team may announce a call for preproposals.** 

Please distribute this notice to departments and individuals whom you believe would be interested.

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