

# AGENCY DIVISIONS

The Texas Historical Commission structures its work to save the real places that tell the real stories of Texas through divisions protecting historic resources, advancing economic development and quality of life initiatives using historic preservation, and reaching new audiences of history lovers and future preservation professionals.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

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The THC's Administration handles all agency administrative functions for Austin offices and all state historic sites across Texas. Services include human resources, benefits, financial, contracts and purchasing, fleet, and information technology. The agency's Communications Division handles all channels of the agency's public communications, including the website (thc.texas.gov), social media, media relations, *The Medallion* quarterly magazine, and all issues related to agency branding and messaging.

# ARCHEOLOGY DIVISION

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The Archeology Division works to identify, protect and preserve Texas' irreplaceable archeological heritage.

- Reviews public construction projects that impact significant archeological sites.
- Administers the State Archeological Landmark (SAL) designation program and supports the Texas Antiquities Advisory Board, which evaluates sites for SAL designation and issues state antiquities permits.
- Records and evaluates archeological sites.
- Conducts and reports on archeological research and investigations.
- Directs the Texas Archeological Stewardship Network, a statewide network of avocational archeologists who assist THC archeologists in preserving significant sites and collections.

- Coordinates with public and private partners to observe Texas Archeology Month each October.
- Administers an active marine archeology program, including the acclaimed *La Belle* project.
- Recognizes Texas landowners who have worked to protect important archeological sites through the Texas Historic Lands Plaque program.
- Administers the Curatorial Facility Certification Program to ensure Texas' archeological collections are preserved.

#### ARCHITECTURE DIVISION

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The Architecture Division is dedicated to protecting Texas' diverse architectural heritage.

- Reviews projects eligible for state and federal rehabilitation tax credits.
- Manages the Texas Preservation Trust Fund grant program.
- Monitors the state's National Historic Landmarks.
- Manages the Texas Historic Courthouse Preservation Program, Texas Courthouse Stewardship Program, and Preservation Tax Incentive program.
- Provides matching grants to assist courthouse restoration projects throughout the state.
- Holds preservation covenants on significant cultural landmarks to ensure long-term preservation of the property.
- Reviews public construction projects that impact historic properties.

# COMMUNITY HERITAGE DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

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The Community Heritage Development Division acts in partnership with communities and regions to revitalize historic areas, stimulate tourism, and encourage economic development through the use of preservation strategies.

- Administers the Texas Main Street Program, one of the nation's most successful downtown revitalization programs.
- Encourages regional development of heritage tourism

resources through the Texas Heritage Trails Program by providing technical, financial, and marketing assistance to cities and regions across Texas.

- Evaluates the economic impact of historic preservation and heritage tourism in Texas.
- Administers the Certified Local Government Program, which provides preservation training and matching grants to qualified cities and counties to develop and sustain an effective local preservation program based on federal guidelines.

# HISTORIC SITES DIVISION

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The Historic Sites Division is responsible for operating the agency's 38 historic properties throughout the state.

- Acton, Acton, Hood County
- Barrington Plantation, Washington, Washington County
- Bush Family Home, Midland, Midland County
- · Caddo Mounds, Alto, Cherokee County
- · Casa Navarro, San Antonio, Bexar County
- Confederate Reunion Grounds, Mexia, Limestone County
- Eisenhower Birthplace, Denison, Grayson County
- Fannin Battleground, Fannin, Goliad County
- Fanthorp Inn, Anderson, Grimes County
- Fort Griffin, Albany, Shackelford County
- Fort Lancaster, Sheffield, Crockett County
- Fort McKavett, Fort McKavett, Menard County
- French Legation, Austin, Travis County
- Fulton Mansion, Rockport, Aransas County
- Charles and Mary Ann Goodnight Ranch, Goodnight, Armstrong County
- Iwo Jima Monument and Museum, Harlingen, Cameron County
- Kreische Brewery, La Grange, Fayette County
- · Landmark Inn, Castroville, Medina County
- Levi Jordan Plantation, Brazoria, Brazoria County
- Lipantitlan, Mathis, San Patricio County
- Magoffin Home, El Paso, El Paso County
- Mission Dolores, San Augustine, San Augustine County
- Monument Hill, La Grange, Fayette County
- National Museum of the Pacific War, Fredericksburg, Gillespie County
- Old Socorro Mission, Socorro, El Paso County
- Palmito Ranch, Brownsville, Cameron County
- Port Isabel Lighthouse, Port Isabel, Cameron County
- Presidio La Bahía, Goliad, Goliad County
- Sabine Pass Battleground, Sabine Pass, Jefferson County
- Sam Bell Maxey House, Paris, Lamar County
- · Sam Rayburn House, Bonham, Fannin County

- San Felipe de Austin, San Felipe, Austin County
- San Jacinto Battleground, La Porte, Harris County
- Star of the Republic Museum, Washington, Washington County
- Starr Family Home, Marshall, Harrison County
- Stephen F. Austin Memorial, West Columbia, Brazoria County
- Varner-Hogg Plantation, West Columbia, Brazoria County
- Washington-on-the-Brazos, Washington, Washington County

## HISTORY PROGRAMS DIVISION

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The History Programs Division provides preservation assistance to local governments, state and federal agencies, the state's 254 county historical commissions, museums, nonprofit preservation organizations, volunteers, students, educators, and the general public.

- Administers a program to list Texas properties and sites in the National Register of Historic Places.
- Coordinates a statewide survey of historic resources in Texas and assists local communities with historic sites survey efforts.
- Coordinates the agency's Historic Highways program.
- Administers the state's highly successful historical markers program.
- Provides consultation to history museums across the state.
- Coordinates historic cemetery designation and volunteer outreach and education.
- Provides training and education materials to county historical commissions.
- Manages a military sites program to document, commemorate, preserve, and promote historic sites involving Texas' military history.
- Coordinates history education programs for Texas youth.



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