

**State Historic Preservation Office to present  
Historic Landmark Commission training session on May 17**

The State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) of the West Virginia Division of Culture and History, in collaboration with the Shepherdstown Historic Landmark Commission, is offering a training session historic landmark commission on Saturday, May 17th. The free session will be held at the Shepherdstown Men's Club, 102 East German Street, from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Lunch will be provided. Members of historic landmark commissions, interested government officials and the general public are encouraged to attend.

The program will explore how cities and counties can encourage preservation in their communities through historic landmark commissions. Topics of discussion will include certified local government designation, meeting procedures, roles and responsibilities of historic landmark commissions, financial incentives, National Register of Historic Places, local historic district designations, design review, and the Secretary of the Interiors Standards.

Seating is limited, so registration is requested for the Shepherdstown session. To register, please contact Amy Boyd with the City of Shepherdstown at 304-876-2398, or by e-mail at [clerk@shepherdstown.us](mailto:clerk@shepherdstown.us), by May 12th.

This training session is the third of several regional workshops for historic landmark commissions throughout the state. Anyone interested in sponsoring a workshop should contact Chris Knorr, certified local government coordinator for the SHPO, at (304) 558-0240, or by e-mail at [chris.knorr@wvculture.org](mailto:chris.knorr@wvculture.org).

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