



Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan

Focus Group Session 2022

A Vision for Historic Preservation on Guam...

Community-serving and community-based stewardship of Guam's historic and cultural resources, ensuring the firmly-rooted place of Guam's people and their past in the island's thriving future.

The Mission of Guam SHPO-GHRD...

To work for the preservation, protection, and interpretation of historical resources on Guam, and through them promote the island's heritage as integral to the future of the place, its people, and their living culture.

Key Historic Preservation Responsibilities & Goals...

Review & Compliance

Balance needs of the present, for maintenance and development of buildings and utilities, with the public benefit to be had from the preservation of historic resources and recovery of information about the past through archaeology, historical architecture, oral history, documentary research, and allied historic preservation practices.

Curation

Preserve and catalogue an ever-increasing volume of physical objects out in the world and in specialized facilities — including architecture, artifacts, all documents generated in the course of historic preservation compliance (including paper and digital reports completed after fieldwork ends, GIS data on projects and their findings), published studies, etc. etc.

Professionalization

Build local workforce ability and capacity, by fostering both generalized and specialist knowledge of historic preservation and historic resources on Guam.

Expanding & Deepening Knowledge of Guam's Past

Continue expanding and refining our understanding of Guam's past, as guided by the needs and voices of communities living today.

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Public Outreach

Draw the public into more active engagement with Historic Preservation, as stewards of Guam's historic resources and co-producers of knowledge about the island's past, for the benefit of their future.

Guam's Comprehensive Historic Preservation Plan

- Mandated by National Park Service.
- Covers our federally-funded Historic Preservation program on Guam.
- Involves an examination of Guam SHPO-GHRD strengths and weaknesses, past successes and goals for the future—to provide a ROAD MAP that will guide island-wide preservation efforts across agencies and organizations.
- Also mandated that it be COMMUNITY-DRIVEN, with its production built on public engagement, to ensure that, despite being produced for the feds, it is grounded in local needs and desires.

That community is YOU!