
FEMA announces an open hiring call for Historic Preservation Specialists within the Cadre of On-call Response/Recovery Employee (CORE) Program. Come join a talented team of environmental and historic preservation specialists dedicated to helping people before, during, and after disasters. This is a temporary position not to exceed two years, with the option to extend if funding and workload permits.

Extended travel to disaster sites is required and CORE employees should expect to be deployed for approximately 320+ days of the year to locations throughout the United States and US Territories. When not deployed, work will be performed from the residence of record.

The Historic Preservation Specialist (HSSP) will apply their expertise of historic preservation policy and cultural resources management to ensure FEMA’s funding activities comply with federal historic preservation laws and regulations such as the National Environmental Policy Act, the National Historic Preservation Act, and the Section 106 regulations (36 CFR 800). The HSSP will conduct independent and coordinated research and review activities to identify and efficiently communicate historic preservation considerations to FEMA staff and funding recipients. The HSSP will participate in calls, meetings, and site visits with FEMA staff and funding recipients to proactively assess, document, and discuss historic preservation requirements and provide recommendations and guidance for compliance. Typical responsibilities will include reviewing proposed scopes of work for historic preservation compliance issues and drafting technical comments, identifying historic resources listed in or eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places, assessing adverse effects to historic properties, and developing and maintaining liaisons with FEMA staff and other stakeholders, such as State and Tribal Historic Preservation Offices.

The ideal candidate should have a Master’s degree in Historic Preservation, Archaeology, History, Architectural History or a related subject or field, and hold or be eligible to obtain a Secretary of Interior (SOI) Qualification. This position requires a Public Trust background investigation and applicants must be a U.S. Citizen or National to be considered. All candidates will be considered without regard to any non-merit reasons such as race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, lawful political affiliation, marital status, disability, sexual orientation, protected genetic information, parental status, membership in an employee organization, or other non-merit factors.

Salary: $64,009 - $83,210 per year

To apply: Submit your resume to EHPJobs@fema.dhs.gov and put “HSSP CORE Position” in the subject line.

Additionally: The Historic Preservation Specialist can also be brought on as an Intermittent employee as a member of FEMA’s Reservist (On-Call) program. Please indicate in your application if you’d like to be considered for reservist positions. Reservists (On-Call) | FEMA.gov

For further information contact EHPJobs@fema.dhs.gov and put “HSSP Reservist” in the subject line.