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Connecting People to Alabama's Heritage

New interpretive signs surround Old Cahawba. Director Linda Derry. Each panel allows visitors with smart phones to hear more stories and see additional photographs.



Welcomed 393,561 visitors to Alabama's historic sites to learn and experience history at the places it was made.

Engaged 1,116 volunteers in 24,892 hours assisting at AHC historic sites.

Acquired \$408,250 in private and public funds to develop and interpret AHC historic sites.

New Alabama State Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit Program

- This law gives state tax credits to owners who rehabilitate residential and commercial properties.
- The state tax credit is a **smart economic development tool**.
- The **more dollars invested in** returning old buildings to new uses, the more **communities** and the state benefit financially.

Assisted owners of five historic buildings to **invest \$6.7 million in rehabilitations** that qualified for the Federal Historic Preservation Tax credit.

Provided guidance and assistance to **29 cities with historic preservation ordinances** protecting over 15,346 historic places.



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Credit: David Schneider

Birmingham's Redmont Hotel is in line to receive a 25% rehabilitation tax credit thanks to Alabama Historic Rehabilitation Tax Credit.

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Credit: The Constantine Group and Decatur Utilities.

Reviewed 1,855 federally funded construction projects (like new sewer lines) to make sure valuable prehistoric and historic places are not accidentally destroyed.

Provided learning opportunities for 52,854 people at lectures, conferences, workshops, public presentations, hearings, or special programs.

Responded to 21,372 requests for information in understanding, protecting, and interpreting Alabama's historic and prehistoric treasures.

Attracted 85,271 visitors to our website for information on protecting, preserving, interpreting, and visiting Alabama's historic places.

Garnered 408 media stories on AHC programs, events, historic sites, and staff.

Informed approximately 6,200 people about AHC activities and preservation issues with 35,996 copies of Preservation Report.

Listed 87 cemeteries on the **Alabama Historic Cemetery Register**.

Added 1,114 new historic buildings, sites, and structures to the **Alabama Inventory**.

Listed 17 nominations, with 1,481 properties, on the **National Register of Historic Places**, a nationwide listing of America's places worth preserving.

Placed twenty-three nominations with 157 related resources on the **Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage**.

Assisted landowners protect over 80 historic properties with easements.

Responded to 221 requests for information about **endangered properties** and **monitored 395 properties** on the **Preservation Watch List**.