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Historic Denver Launches New Action Fund

Denver--June 27, 2016- Historic Denver is proud to once again accept applications for our Action Fund program, designed to catalyze innovative neighborhood and community projects that enhance the city's unique identity, promote and maintain authentic character, and honor cultural heritage as reflected in the built environment. Through the Action Fund Historic Denver will select one to three community or neighborhood projects each year.

Projects will receive technical assistance, staff support and direct financial investment from Historic Denver, ranging from \$2,500 to \$10,000. Projects will be selected through an annual competitive application process.

"Denver's neighborhoods and landmarks make up our city's historic fabric, a tapestry that is not only much-loved, but is an integral part of the city's identity," Annie Levinsky, Historic Denver's executive director said. "As the city changes and evolves, there are many ways to honor and explore this historic fabric and bolster the city's ongoing successes and the Action Fund is designed to provide local residents with the tools they need."

Through the Action Fund, Historic Denver seeks projects that not only have a strong connection to the historic built environment but are also innovative and make a community-wide impact. Successful projects will have strong grassroots support and have a high likelihood of success within a two-year period. Neighborhood organizations, non-profits or other civic associations are eligible to apply.

Sample Action Fund projects include creating conservation or design overlay districts, developing publications or guides, conducting specialized research, or creating a historic district. The Action Fund will not be used for capital construction or restoration projects, heritage projects that do not focus on the built environment or projects that benefit only a single property-owner.

2016 Action Fund applications are due by 5 pm on September 1, 2016. Application instructions and forms are available at www.historicdenver.org. Applications can be e-mailed to info@historicdenver.org, mailed or delivered to 1420 Ogden Street, Suite 202, Denver, CO 80218. Applications must include a completed application form, evidence of eligibility, and three letters of support.

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About Historic Denver

Historic Denver is the organization for those who love Denver. For more than 45 years Historic Denver has led the way by providing ideas and actions for the places that give Denver its character. Historic Denver owns and operates the Molly Brown House Museum, provides education and technical assistance for owners of historic properties, operates the Denver Story Trek and Discover Denver projects, and actively engages in community dialogue about the vibrancy created through the dynamic mix of old and new. More at www.historicdenver.org