

Our mission is to PRESERVE, PROTECT and ENHANCE the historic character of Saint Paul's neighborhoods.



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"When my husband and I moved into this house, we wondered if there maybe wasn't something underneath that siding. The very first night we were here, he peeled back the plywood and we saw it. There it was! We couldn't believe that the stained glass was actually there. It was like a little jewel.

With each nail that came out, we could feel the house breathe a little. As new homeowners we knew that large improvements could be pretty intimidating; and as we continued the work, we didn't know what we'd find or whether we could deal with it.

We received a flyer from Historic Saint Paul. They had resources. There was an architect that could help us and they offered financial aid. Thanks to their assistance, we rebuilt the porch and returned the front of the house to its historic origins.

My husband passed away quite suddenly during that time. This was our dream together but I am still here two years later, with my two young sons, working on the house. I thank Historic Saint Paul for their continued help.

This neighborhood is improving by reflecting on its past, reflecting on its history. Historic preservation is excellent for building community!"

*Katherine Halsey*



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*Celebrating the past for the sake of the future.*



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Historic Saint Paul partnered in the interpretation and implementation of the new Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary and trail system. Historic Saint Paul continues to advocate for future development plans within the park.

*"HSP has been an effective partner in promoting and interpreting the cultural resources on the Bruce Vento Nature Sanctuary. Located within a national park, this important Saint Paul landscape will be preserved for the enjoyment of all future generations"*

—PAUL LABOVITZ, SUPERINTENDENT, NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
MISSISSIPPI NATIONAL RIVER AND RECREATION AREA

*"Historic Saint Paul has been an invaluable partner to the City. Their exceptional work has strengthened our community's commitment to historic conservation and made the principles of preservation accessible to all Saint Paul residents and businesses. The City looks to HSP as the 'go to' non-profit for reinforcing the historic fabric of our neighborhoods."*

—KATHY LANTRY, PRESIDENT, SAINT PAUL CITY COUNCIL



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*Celebrate heritage  
Renew neighborhoods  
Strengthen community*

# Preservation is a powerful tool that drives community revitalization

Historic Saint Paul leads preservation-based redevelopment efforts throughout Saint Paul — working to stabilize and strengthen our city's neighborhoods.

- **Advocacy.** Historic Saint Paul advocates for public policies that protect and enhance Saint Paul's historic and cultural heritage. We work with local partners to identify historic assets, study reuse alternatives, and mobilize public and private resources.
- **Investment.** Historic Saint Paul teams up with homeowners and businesses in the Frogtown, Payne-Phalen, and Dayton's Bluff neighborhoods to make exterior and façade improvements to their aging homes and commercial buildings. We provide loans and something unique — architectural design services. Every dollar Historic Saint Paul lends generates approximately three dollars of private investment.
- **Education and Community Outreach.** Our popular Preservation Talks and Preservation Journal spark community discussion. Whether celebrating Saint Paul's brewing history at the landmark Schmidt Brewery or gathering citizen input at a workshop for light rail transit, Historic Saint Paul builds support for preserving Saint Paul's heritage while planning future development.
- **Cultural Heritage Interpretation.** Historic Saint Paul celebrates and promotes Saint Paul's areas of cultural interest and significance. We partner with varying organizations to interpret the ongoing development of Saint Paul's historical sites. Historic Saint Paul has also produced neighborhood guides that explore the rich history of commercial districts that are found on Payne Avenue, Rice Street, Selby Avenue, and the West Side.



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The Restore Saint Paul loan program assisted Mee Thao with the revitalization of her storefront, which improved the East 7th Street business district and saved the main street building from further deterioration.



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Historic Saint Paul also coordinated the creation of a public art installation, expressing the interconnectivity of the many cultures found in the East Side neighborhood. Students from City Academy volunteered their time and talent to design and paint the vibrant mural on the side of the Size Matters Fashion.



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Our popular Preservation Talks provide an educational forum that engages community members in local preservation issues. More than 100 local residents attended the *History Along the Central Corridor* and *What's Brewing in Saint Paul?* workshops.



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Board and staff members from Historic Saint Paul lead numerous interpretive tours throughout the city. These tours highlight Historic Saint Paul's work as well as the cultural and historic resources within our city.



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With architectural design services provided by Historic Saint Paul, Rene and Kim Lerma were able to design and produce historic wood details, which added to their award-winning restoration project in the Dayton's Bluff neighborhood.

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"Preservation Talks"



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