

FY25 Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (MHAA)

GRANTS REVIEW PANEL SCORING SHEET

Applicant Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Type: Non-Capital \_\_\_\_\_ Capital \_\_\_\_\_

MHAA Funds Requested: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Project Information (10 Points)

1. Do the project summary, timeline, and overall project description provide a feasible plan for the creation of a heritage tourism product? (0-10 points) \_\_\_\_\_

Budget (10 Points)

1. Does the budget contain the necessary expenditures to complete the tasks outlined in the timeline? (0-10 points) \_\_\_\_\_

Project Impact (80 Points)

1. Does the project have a clear heritage tourism value? (0-25 points) \_\_\_\_\_

2. Will the project build partnerships within the heritage area? (0-15 points) \_\_\_\_\_

3. Will the project sustain or support the regional identity, including any local priorities that have been identified by the local heritage area? (0-20 points) \_\_\_\_\_

a. For heritage area reviewers: Does this project address your heritage area's local priorities and/or initiatives? Does the applicant cite specific page numbers in relevant plans to address local priorities? (0-1 point) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Does the project make a clear case as to why it must proceed at this time? (0-10 points) \_\_\_\_\_

6. Does the project make provision for physical or programmatic access by individuals with disabilities? (0-5 points) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Does this project address diverse or inclusive historical narratives? (0-5 points) \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL POINTS for MHAA score sheet: \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDITIONAL POINTS FOR LOCAL HCWHA scores:**

Project Impact and Civil War focus

A. Project is centered on a Civil War resource named in the Management Plan in:

- o Resources, pp. 21-30
- o Appendix D: ABPP Preservation Plans

Or the applicant successfully makes the case that the project is linked to a resource of significance to the Civil War. (0- 3 points) \_\_\_\_\_

B. If the answer to A is yes, will the project also preserve a structure with Civil War significance or preserve or conserve land of Civil War significance? (0-1 point)\_\_\_\_\_

a. Does the applicant cite Stewardship as a primary goal of the project and explain how preservation or conservation will be achieved? (0-1 point)\_\_\_\_\_

CIVIL WAR FOCUS SUBTOTAL (0-5 points)\_\_\_\_\_

ADDITIONAL POINTS for US 250th Anniversary Projects (points possible for A & B)

Planning projects for the US 250th anniversary will be considered a priority. In keeping with national and state approaches to the anniversary, projects need not be limited to a focus on 1776 or the Revolutionary War era. Up to five additional points may be awarded at the time of local review for such projects, whether capital or non-capital.

a. Applicant identifies and presents a substantive explanation of how the project aligns with one or more of the guiding themes established in the AASLH Field Guide to the Semiquincentennial (<https://aaslh.org/programs/250th/>) (0-2 points)

b. Applicant is building a legacy aspect into the project design, to assure the benefit will extend well beyond the anniversary year (2026) (0- 3 points possible)

250th ANNIVERSARY SUBTOTAL: (0 – 5 points) \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ADDITIONAL POINTS FOR HCWHA SCORES\_\_\_\_\_

GRAND TOTAL (sum of MHAA & HCWHA points)\_\_\_\_\_